



“Human rights are not a privilege conferred by government. They are every human being’s entitlement by virtue of their humanity.”

~Mother Teresa

June 14, 2026

Third Sunday After Pentecost

9:30 a.m.

Prelude

Keith Ciccone, organ

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Karen E. Gale

Passing the Peace

Peace be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pass the peace with one another...

*Introit

Lead Me Lord

Lead me Lord, lead me in Thy righteousness,

Make Thy way plain before my face.

For it is Thou, Lord, Thou, Lord, only,

That makest me dwell in safety.

*Call to Worship c. Daniel Randall, UCC Worshipways

We meet in the presence of God,

And we do not meet alone.

With Abraham and Sarah,

We gather to worship the Lord.

We embark on our own journey of faith.

God’s Holy name be praised.

God makes of us a great people,

And calls us to be a blessing.

Into lands unknown and through fear and doubt,

We journey in the presence of God and we do not journey alone.

*Hymn 382

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

* Indicates all who are able may stand

Please silence your cell phones

*Hymn 48

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

*Benediction

Postlude



First Church Braintree Announcements

Upcoming Meetings and Events:

TODAY following worship -

Sunday, June 14 - Congregational Conversation

Hosted by the Search-Discernment Team and Leadership. This is not a voting meeting but instead a time to reflect on our church's future. Here are some questions we will be talking about:

Where do we see our church in 5 years? Who will be present? Who will be able to be in leadership positions? How much energy will we have to run our services, respond to building emergencies, and do outreach? How much money will we have? Our members are stewards of an amazing gift dedicated to God. Our church has served generations of people over centuries of ministry. What ministry are we called to now? How can we best serve God's people with our church?

Music Sunday - Sunday, June 21 (Father's Day)

Book Study - Thursday, June 25 @ 7pm on zoom

Council Meeting - Sunday, June 28 @ 11 in the Chapel



Air-Conditioned Parlor

Summer Worship Plan

- June 28 - Sanctuary
- July 5 - Parlor
- July 12 - West Lawn
- July 19 - Parlor
- July 26 - Parlor
- Sundays in August - Parlor
- September 6 - Parlor
- September 13 - West Lawn
(Rally Sunday)



West Lawn

Vacations:



Pastor Karen
Aug 7 - 23

Deb
June 15 - 17
July 13 - 17
Sept 8 - 10

Mondays

**OFFICE
CLOSED**

The office is closed on
Monday, June 15

Beginning on June 29,
Deb will not be in the
office on Mondays and
Pastor Karen will be
available on Mondays
by appointment only.

WELCOME to this Service of Worship at First Congregational Church.

Of all the things you could have done this morning,
we're glad you chose to be with us.

The First Congregational Church of Braintree is an Open & Affirming Congregation working in partnership with all churches of the United Church of Christ. We welcome all God's children into Christian faith regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression, political stance or theological perspective, national origin, mental health status, physical and cognitive abilities, and the many diverse forms of family configurations. We proclaim and affirm that full and equal participation in the life and leadership of our church is open to all. We seek to continue learning and growing together as the inclusive Body of Christ. We are committed to spreading the light and love of Christ into the world through worship and service. Whoever you are and wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

**BELIEVE
THERE IS
GOOD IN
THE WORLD**



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