



November 13, 2022

Consecration Sunday

9:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

Keith Ciccone, organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Michael Frady

CONGREGATIONAL INROIT *Give Thanks*

*Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.
And now let the weak say, "I am strong!" Let the poor say "I am rich!
Because of what the Lord has done for us!" Give thanks. Give thanks.*

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Christ is waiting here for us.

To welcome us.

To show you the path of life.

To love us.

To hear our prayers.

To be present with us always.

Let us give thanks and praise to God.

We are here to praise God Almighty!

*HYMN 448

How Shall I Serve You, Lord?

* Indicates all who are able may stand

Please silence your cell phones

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Unison)**

Holy and loving God, today we gather to offer our commitment to your church. We come with all the uncertainties and stresses that this life presents to us, but we come with the knowledge that in seeking you, we can ease our troubled minds. God of all creation, we ask that you forgive us when we stray from your paths, we ask that you comfort us in our grief, and guide us to new paths of service in your name. Help us to be the people of extravagant welcome, of extravagant giving, and extravagant love for you and your creation. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.
World without end. Amen. Amen.*

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 6: 25-34
Proverbs 21: 20

Don Bisset

SERMON

“Living Within Our Means”

Rev. Michael Frady

HYMN 443

Called As Partners in Christ's Service

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Suzy Aja Burba

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory for ever. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Make Me A Servant of Your Peace

***DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures, here, below.
Praise God, above, ye heav'nly hosts.
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**For the future glory of your church, we dedicate our gifts.
Toward the reign of love in our midst, we consecrate our-
selves. O God of all the ages, show yourself to us in our time.
Work within us individually and among us as a community
of faith, that we may experience resurrection and carry your
good news into the world. Amen.**

INVITATION TO CONSIDER 2022 STEWARDSHIP

SILENT PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF GIVING CARDS

*HYMN 541

Here I Am Lord

BLESSING OF GIVING CARDS

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE





WELCOME to this Service of Worship at First Congregational Church. Whether you are attending in-person or viewing the live-stream of this morning's service, we're glad you chose to be with us.

Subscribe to the First Church YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTaGrBGnYzfM66pS7Bd4PvA>

Non-perishable Food Pantry donations are collected for The Marge Crispin Center on the **first Wednesday of the Month** in front of the church. Contact free! Just drive by and drop. Or place your donations in the basket in LPH or the Narthex. Thank you!

Televised Worship Services are broadcast on BCAM: Verizon Channel 28, Comcast Channel 9, on Saturday at 8:00 AM and Sunday at 10:00 AM.

First Church Office Hours are Monday through Friday, 9:00am—1:00pm.



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FIRST CHURCH BRAINTREE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanksgiving Slide Show Send photos to Deb for inclusion in the annual slide show which will play during worship on Sunday, 11/20. Please submit files (size should be between 100K - 1MB please) via email to office@firstchurchbraintree.com or drop a hard copy at the office and she will scan it in. **All photos MUST be in by Monday, 11/14 .**

Turkey Drive We will be assisting the Marge Crispin Center with their annual Turkey Drive. We will collect 10-12 pound frozen turkey or monetary donations (Make checks payable to First Congregational. We will cut one check for Marge Crispin.) The deadline to bring frozen turkeys or make a monetary donation is Thursday, November 17th.



CPR/AED Training—Sunday, November 27 11:30a - 2:30p. We are hosting a CPR TRAINING Class here at First Church Cost = \$50 per person. (includes materials) Please let Pastor Suzy know by TODAY if you wish to participate.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS 2022 The Beautification Team invites church members to donate poinsettias for display in the Sanctuary on **Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24th**. These flowers beautify our sanctuary for Christmas worship and are given as a tribute to memorialize or to honor loved ones. We are purchasing our poinsettia plants from **Almquist Flowerland**. Each plant will cost **\$13**. **All orders must be in by Wednesday, December 7th.** Order forms are available in the back of the church.

On Monday, November 14, First Congregational Church of Braintree will be feeding lunch to a group of 50 refugees who are staying on the South Shore as part of a UCC Pilgrim Association multi-church effort to provide aid. Monetary Donations are welcome if you wish to support our church's effort. Send checks (Payable to First Congregational Church of Braintree) to the office.



BRAINTREE SCOUT TROOP 22 is celebrating 101 years, sponsored by the First Congregational Church. They are celebrating TODAY, November 13 from 1 to 4 pm at Braintree Town Hall.

See the reverse side for information about the **Christmas Hymn Sing** on December 4th.



FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF BRAINTREE
MEMORIAL CHRISTMAS HYMN SING
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2022 AT 9:30 AM



To sponsor one or more of the following hymns *In Memory of* or *In Honor of* a loved one, please indicate their name, your hymn choice and amount of donation and your name. Suggested donation per hymn is \$10. Please return this request form to the church office or place it on the collection plate absolutely no later than **Sunday, November 27.** to ensure your request is included in our special bulletin.

Choice of Hymns:

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| 1. <i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i> | 6. <i>The First Nowell</i> |
| 2. <i>People, Look East</i> | 7. <i>Hark, The Herald Angels Sing</i> |
| 3. <i>Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming</i> | 8. <i>Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella</i> |
| 4. <i>It Came Upon the Midnight Clear</i> | 9. <i>I Saw Three Ships</i> |
| 5. <i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i> | 10. <i>Joy to the World</i> |

Please PRINT the names below *exactly* as you wish them to appear in the bulletin.

Hymn #	Hymn Name <small>Abbreviate if necessary</small>	<i>In Memory of</i>	<i>In Honor of</i>	<i>In Memory of or In Honor of</i> <small>(Please print name clearly, exactly as you wish it listed.)</small>	Amount Donated <small>(Suggested amount is \$10 per hymn.)</small>
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Total:					

Given by: _____
(Write your name as you wish it to appear in the bulletin)

Checks should be made payable to First Congregational Church of Braintree.
 Please write "Hymn Sing" in the memo.
All donations will go towards funding music initiatives and church operations.



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CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA ORDER

Please be sure to answer all 6 questions so we can properly acknowledge your gift in the program. Please clearly PRINT the names below exactly as you wish them to appear in the bulletin.

1. Given by: (your name) _____
2. Check one: In Memory of or In Honor of
3. Name (s) of Honoree: _____
4. Choose color: Red White** Marble ** (If marble isn't available we will get pink)
****We can not accept any orders for Marble or White Plants after December 7th. Late requests will be Red.**
5. After it is displayed on the altar do you wish your poinsettia to be used as:
 A Gift to the Church (for distribution to homebound friends of First Church)
or For Personal Use
 I will pick it up after worship on Christmas Eve.
 Please deliver it to me at this address: _____
6. Amount due: # of poinsettias _____ x \$13 each = \$ _____

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Questions? Call Deb in the office, Monday - Friday, 9:00-1:00. 781-843-3616.

Date received

Check #