



May 9, 2021

Sixth Sunday of Easter—Mother's Day

9:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

Keith Ciccone, Organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Michael Frady

INTROIT

*Christ for the World We Sing!*

Valerie Johnson, Soprano

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Sing a new song,

**A song of love for all.**

Sing of the Spirit of love,

**The Spirit who loves us all.**

Sing of God's abiding love,

**That we might love one another and all of the world.**

Sing a new song,

**A song of love for all.**

HYMN

*Bring Many Names*

\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Unison)

**Spirit of love, abide in us and in our worship. Whisper your song of love in our hearts, that love may flow through every word we hear, every thought we think, every word we speak and every song we sing. Spirit of power and grace, abide in us, that we may abide in your love and proclaim your song of love for all. Amen.**

\* Indicates all who are able may stand

*Please silence your cell phones*

**\*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.*

FIRST READING

Proverbs 31: 10-12

Don Bisset

SECOND READING

Luke 1: 57-66

SERMON

**“A Tribute to Mothers”**

Rev. Michael Frady

MUSIC RESPONSE

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.**

HYMN

*Happy the Home When God is There*

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

**\*DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him, all creatures, here, below.  
Praise Him, above, ye heav’nly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Thank you, God, for the abundant life we enjoy, not in the things we possess but in the relationships you offer and the opportunities of sharing that you provide. May all that we dedicate to you be distributed in ways that meet human need and offer praise to you. Extend our outreach beyond our vision, that we may live in awe and wonder before you, marveling at your goodness and mercy.  
Amen**

## HYMN

### *Faith of our Mothers*

1 *Faith of our mothers, living yet  
In cradle song and bedtime prayer,  
In nurs'ry love and fireside love,  
thy presence still pervades the air:  
Faith of our mothers, living faith,  
We will be true to thee till death.*

2 *Faith of our mothers, lavish faith,  
The fount of childhood's trust and  
grace,  
O may thy consecration prove  
The well-spring of a nobler race:  
Faith of our mothers, lavish faith,  
We will be true to thee till death.*

3 *Faith of our mothers, guiding faith,  
For youthful longing--youthful doubt,  
How blurred our vision, blind our way,  
Thy providential care without:  
Faith of our mothers, guiding faith,  
We will be true to thee till death.*

4 *Faith of our mothers, Christian faith,  
In truth beyond our man-made creeds,  
Still serve the home and save the church,  
And breathe thy spirit through our  
deeds:  
Faith of our mothers, Christian faith,  
We will be true to thee till death.*

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE



Join us today at 11:00am on Zoom for our virtual fellowship hour:

Meeting ID: 854 937 7165      Passcode: FCC1707





**THANK YOU** for joining us at 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.



You may attend in-person or view the live-stream of this morning's service.

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<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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