A Prayer for Awareness - Today we know of the energy that moves all things: the oneness of existence, the diversity and uniqueness of every moment of creation, every shape and form, the attraction, the allurement, the fascination that all things have for one another. Humbled by our knowledge, chastened by surprising revelations, with awe and reverence we come before the mystery of life. Amen.

~ Hildegard of Bingen

Unison Prayer of Invocation
O God Who turns the wheel of time, we ask Your blessings in this rising new year. Equip us to support one another, and to perfect our Love of You and one another. Lead us in the Way of Christ through the promptings of the Holy Spirit, and bless us to be blessings to the world, Amen.

Gloria

Lord’s Prayer (whichever version you wish)

Hymn There Is a Balm in Gilead

Scripture Reading James 5:16-20

Homily

Communion Hymn Let Us Break Bread Together

New Leaves Ritual

Prayers - One: Lift up your hearts Many: We lift them up to God.
Response to individual prayers:
One: Loving and beloved God Many: Hear our prayer.
Prayer List
Silent Prayer
Response: Hear our prayer O Lord, hear our prayer O Lord, Incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace.

Responding with our Pledges and Offerings

Organ Offertory

Closing Hymn Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Benediction
Passing of the Peace
Cong. Response God Be With You

Postlude

Indicates you are invited to stand if you are comfortable doing so
**In His Time**

In His time, in His time;
He makes all things beautiful in His time.
Lord, please show me every day as you’re teaching me Your way,
That You do just what You say in Your time.

In Your time, in Your time;
You make all things beautiful in Your time.
Lord, my life to You I bring, may each song I have to sing
Be to You a lovely thing in Your time.

**There Is a Balm in Gilead**

*Refrain:* There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work’s in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again. *Refrain*

If you cannot preach like Peter, if you cannot pray like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus and say, “He died for all.” *Refrain*

**Leaning On the Everlasting Arms**

What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms!
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms!

*Refrain:* Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms!
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms!

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
Leaning on the everlasting arms!
O how bright the path grows from day to day,
Leaning on the everlasting arms! *Refrain*

What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
Leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
Leaning on the everlasting arms! *Refrain*

**Here at Thy Table, Lord**

Here at Thy table, Lord, this sacred hour,
O let us feel Thee near in loving power;
Calling our thoughts away from self and sin,
As to Thy banquet hall we enter in.

So shall our life of faith be full, be sweet;
And we shall find our strength for each day meet.
Fed by the Living Bread, all hunger past,
We shall be satisfied and saved at last.

Come then, O holy Christ; feed us, we pray.
Touch with Thy pierced hand each common day,
Making this earthly life full of Thy grace,
Till in the home of heaven we find our place.

**Remember in Prayer...**

*Prayers of healing for...*

- **DANIELLE** Dennett, member
- **JAIMEE**, friend of Ashleigh Norris
- **DAVE** Laprade, brother-in-law of Marion & Charlotte
- **KIM** Johnson, cousin of Stephen and Julie Holt
- **TAMMY** Bailey, cousin of Kelly Challet
- **LORRIE** Gougeon, member of the congregation
- **MICHELE** Touhy, friend of Mikki Nevins
- **BETTY** Hunt, cousin of Stephen and Julie Holt
- **JUSTIN** Fuller, nephew of Cheryl Fuller Malinowski
- **ELLEN** Gill, friend of Mikki and Buddy Nevins
- **TERRY** Smith, cousin of Mikki Nevins
- **DONNA** Dushane, friend of Kathy Robbins
- **BOB** Greene, member of the congregation
- **PHYLLIS** Widelo, sister of Mark Thornhill
- **ALDEN** Montague, son of Lani Montague
- **ELIZABETH** Barcomb, friend of the community
- **TOM** McGrath, brother-in-law of Wendy Blow
- **JEAN** Braley, sister of Jackie Didier
- **AIMEE** Gould, cousin of Stephen and Julie Holt
- **MEL** Rodrigues, friend of Bob and Pat Miller
- **NANCY** Rhoades, aunt of Mike Carriveau
- **HEATHER** Culver, friend of Patty Greene and Marion Miller
Service of Communion

Invitation
Responsive Preparation for Confession
One: If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us;
Many: But when we confess our sins, our faithful and just God will forgive and cleanse us.
One: In humble hope of this deep forgiveness; let us open our hearts silently before God, and stand revealed as creatures before our Creator.

Silent Prayers of Confession
One: Now let us all say together…
Many: Amen.

Responsive Assurance of Pardon
One: In Jesus’ name let us all be convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
ALL: In Jesus Christ we are a forgiven people, Amen.

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution / Sharing the Bread and Cup
...by this bread and this cup, we proclaim the mystery of our faith:
ALL: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving
We thank you, Holy God, that you are enshrined in our hearts, and for the knowledge and faith made known to us through Jesus. You have created all things; you have given food and drink to all people for joy and nourishment. To us you also give spiritual food and drink through your servant Jesus. Remember your church, gracious God. Make it perfect in your love and gather it from the four winds, readying us for your coming realm. For yours is the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Welcome ... to the Westhampton Congregational United Church of Christ. We are an open and affirming church and we are happy you are here. We hope that you receive some blessing from our worship and fellowship this morning. Zoom is still available for those joining online: Meeting ID: 819 2753 9139, Passcode: 237347. To join by phone dial 1 929 205 6099, then enter ID/passcode.

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Worship Participants
Ministers - People of the church
Pastor/Teacher - Rev. Tadd Allman-Morton
Organist - Marcia Sullivan
Greeters - ↑ Maureen Dempsey and Rick Tracy
Greeters - ↓ Cheryl Fuller-Malinowski
Lay Reader - tbd
Coffee Hour - Mark and Dolores Thornhill
Flowers - Poinsettias
Special Music - Julie Holt
Zoom tech- Bob Miller

This Week at the Church...
Mondays at 6:30pm- Cub Scouts (bi-weekly)
M/W/F/Sat - Food Pantry, various hours
Wednesday at 7pm - WaS
Friday at 7pm - AA meeting

Birthdays  & Anniversaries
January 2 ★ - Laura Brown
January 4 ★ - Janice Tracy
January 7 ★ - Suzanne Chudzik, Erika Subocz, Ryan Wilcox

Announcements - Looking ahead...
The Nominating Committee will soon begin asking folks to fill various roles to serve church in the coming year. How can you help? Also, annual reports need to be written up and submitted to Julie no later than next Sunday, January 9. The Annual Report will be available the following Sunday on January 16 to give everyone a full week to review it before our Annual Meeting on January 24.