# Keene Valley Congregational Church United Church of Christ

March 23, 2025



# The Tree of Life

#### **WE GATHER IN CELEBRATION**

MEDITATION	Be With Me Jo Ann & Howard Husslein	Marty Haugen
WELCOME		
WELCOMING MUSIC	On A Hill Far Away	Bennard
HYMN	Plenty Good Room	
Plenty good room, Plenty good room, Good room in my father's kingdom. Plenty good room, Plenty good room, Just choose your seat and sit down.		
SHARED CONFESSION		adapted from Beth Merrill Neel

Holy God, Lord of love:

For not singing when we are joyful; For not shouting to the world the good that you do; For not trusting the love that surrounds us; For not enacting the justice you call us to; For not believing the Good News is meant for all:

Forgive us.

Encourage us and change us. Help us and inspire us, that we, like Mary, will magnify you, and rejoice in God our Savior.

Amen.

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

Lighting the Candle of Peace

**Greeting Each Other in Peace** 

A TIME OF CELEBRATION

# Meditation Group Erica Swift and Paul Osenbaugh

#### WE SHARE SACRED CONVERSATION

ANTHEM

Show Me Thy Ways

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**YOUTH MESSAGE** 

The Rev. John Sampson

PRAYER

**Period of Silent Meditation** 

#### **Prayers and The Lord's Prayer**

All: 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

## OFFERING

## Offertory

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# Doxology

All: To God, all honor and delight,
To Christ revealed in earthly night
To God the Spirit now we raise
Our joyful songs of thankful praise. Amen

# **Unison Prayer of Dedication**

All: God, we pray that you receive these offerings and transform them into extraordinary blessings. Where your children cry, may they be used to bring joy. Where your children have forgotten to care, may they be used to open hearts. Where your children look within, may they be used to invite all of us to look without. Amen.

# SCRIPTURE

Luke 13:6 – 9

## REFLECTION

The Tree of Life

JUST A MOMENT MUSICAL SELECTION

# Martha Gallagher

# WE RETURN TO THE WORLD

Jesus, Remember Me

## CHARGE

HYMN

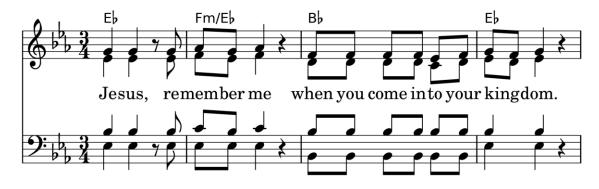
based on Micah 6:8

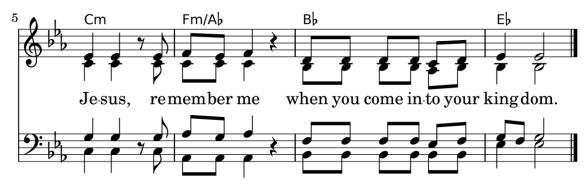
- One: As we leave our sanctuary today, and meet again the joys and challenges of our lives and of all Creation, let us remember what God requires of us throughout the upcoming week:
- All: To do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.

## BENEDICTION

## **CLOSING MUSIC**

Let Justice Roll Jo Ann & Howard Husslein Marty Haugen





# This Week @ KVCC

Day	Time	Activity
Sunday	7:00 AM	Centering Prayer - Via Zoom
	10:00 AM	Worship - In-person and via Zoom
	11:15 AM	Peacemakers Circle
Monday	7:00 AM	Centering Prayer - Via Zoom
		Pastor's Day Off
Tuesday	7:00 AM	Centering Prayer - Via Zoom
		Liz OUT of Office
	9:00 AM	Book Discussion – Via Zoom
	1:00-3:00 PM	Pastor John in Office
	5:00 PM	Council – via Zoom
Wednesday	7:00 AM	Centering Prayer - Via Zoom
	3:30	Bells
	4:30 PM	Choir
Thursday	7:00 AM	Centering Prayer - Via Zoom
	8:00-Noon	Liz in Office
	10:30 AM	Neighborhood House - In person
	1:00-3:00 PM	Pastor John in Office
Friday	7:00 AM	Centering Prayer - Via Zoom
	9:00 AM	Prayer Group
Saturday	7:00 AM	Centering Prayer - Via Zoom
		Pastor's Day Off
	9:00 AM	Faith & Issues - via Zoom
Sunday	7:00 AM	Centering Prayer - Via Zoom
	10:00 AM	Worship - In person and via Zoom

Images:

1st Image: "The Tree of Life" by Henri Matisse

2nd Image: "Christ the True Vine" by Leos Moskos.

3<sup>rd</sup> Image: "Third Station" from the Stations of the Cross series by Barnett Newman

# Today's Worship Leadership:

Minister – The Rev. John Sampson Worship Assistant – Naj Wikoff Ushers – Lorraine Duvall & Robert Rokos Flowers – Alana Both Coffee Hour – Susan Lacy & Charlotte Lichtenberg Music Director – Rob Hastings Zoom Administrators – Cedar Jones Child Care – Henrietta Jordan Bulletin Formation – Liz Jaques Procurement of Ushers/Worship Assistants – Merle Tanis

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