

Scripture Lesson

Mark 1:9-15

Sermon

Rev. Maxwell Grant

Offertory Duet

The Faithful One

Chris Eaton

*Doxology (Hymn 592)

*Prayer of Dedication

Lord, We give You thanks for the countless ways You sustain us. Receive now some of what You have given, so that others might receive. Bless them in body, mind and spirit, and bless us in becoming a people that gives. Amen.

Joys & Concerns/Lord's Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: *And also with you.*

Leader: Let us pray.

Pastoral Prayer

(A time for silent personal reflection.)

Silent Prayer/Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer ("debts")

*Passing The Peace

*Hymn 276

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Commissioning and Benediction

Postlude

Improvisation

(*) *Please stand*

This morning's **Chancel Flowers** are in honor of our Church Choirs.

Thank you to Dorothy Mayfield for hosting coffee hour this morning.

Sunday Morning Assistance

There is a sign-up sheet in Fletcher Hall for those who would like to bring baked goods for "Sunday Morning Coffee Hour." All you need to bring is 75-100 bite-size items, the church will continue to supply fruit and beverage. You can also sign-up on our website at 2cc.org.



For the month of February, the Neighbor to Neighbor donation will be tuna only!

Upcoming Events

Date	Time	Event	Location
Sunday, February 18	12:00 p.m.	Men's Valentine Rehearsal	Chapel
Monday, February 19	7:00 p.m.	<i>President's Day</i> (Church Office Closed) Boy Scouts	Cottage
Wednesday, February 21	1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Calendar Meeting Cherubs & Novices Middlers High School Bible Study	Fletcher Hall Brush Hall Brush Hall Brush Hall Parlor
Thursday, February 22	11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Prayer Meeting Men's Valentine Rehearsal	Parlor Chapel
Friday, February 23	5:00 p.m.	Youth Group (MS)	
Saturday, February 24	10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Picassos Concert Rehearsal ♥ Valentine Gala ♥	Room 14 Sanctuary

Sunday Worship Music Schedule

February 25 - Combined Choirs

Women's Fellowship Scholarship Program for Graduating High School Seniors

The Women's Fellowship of Second Church has established a Scholarship Program to honor and acknowledge the young people who have been involved in the life of the church.

High school graduating seniors who will be attending college in the fall of 2018 are encouraged to apply. Contact Gloria in the church office at 203.869.9311 or email womensfellowship@2cc.org, and we will email you an application



All applications due by March 30, 2018





SECOND CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

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February 18, 2018

Prelude Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley/Be Still And Know

Welcome

Introit Wonderful, Merciful Savior Dawn Rodgers

*Call To Worship (Psalm 25:1-7)

Leader: To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

People: O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.

Leader: Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

People: Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths.

Leader: Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.

People: Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

Leader: Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O LORD!
Come! Let us worship God!

*Hymn 363

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

(Children should leave for the church school program after the 2nd verse of the hymn)

Prayer of Confession

Holy One, You are the source of all that is good, and to follow You is to follow the path to abundant life. But we struggle with the thought that we might know better, even than You, about what is best for us and for the world. We let go of what we should hold onto, and keep a tight grip when we should let go. We lose sight of the wisdom that would guide us. Forgive us. Help us to pause long enough that we might find our way again. And today may we do some small work of peace in your name. In Jesus' name we ask it. Amen.

*Gloria Patri (Hymn 579)

Special Music You Are My All In All/Fairest Lord Jesus arr. Larry Schackley

Join us on the "Cos Cob Crawl" to visit local specialty shops followed by lunch
Tuesday, March 13, 2018 starting at 10:00 a.m.

Lorca
coffee bar

During this outing we will visit each of the shops displayed here together as a group and "crawl" from one to the other through the morning.

Est. 2004
FLEISHERS
CRAFT BUTCHERY

Fairfield
Greenwich
Cheese
COMPANY

THE DRAWING ROOM

FJORD
FISH MARKET

The shops are looking forward to having us and they are excited to share their wealth of knowledge! We will have time to browse and each shop is willing to hold our purchases for later pick up.

COAST
GLOBAL SEAFOOD

We will have lunch at Coast Global Seafood which offers a 3 course prix fixe lunch for \$25

Please meet at 9:50 a.m. in the parking lot behind the shops or in case of rain, we can meet in the atrium by CVS.

Please contact: Leah Marmon for reservations:
lmarmom4@aol.com

Have you been curious about the quaint shops along the strip in Cos Cob? Now's your chance to see what they're all about!

We will "crawl" our way into the butchery, a fish market and a cheese shop - each specializing in what they offer. They will share their wealth of knowledge with us! Need a caffeine fix? Lorca Coffee Bar has a fine selection of coffees and baked goods as well!
For art and craft lovers, the Drawing Room is nearby!

We will enjoy lunch at Coast Seafood Restaurant & Bar, just across the street in the Mill Pond Shopping Center, for a delicious 3-course prix fixe lunch for \$25

We are limited to 20 spaces so be sure to RSVP soon!

Join us for our 16th Annual Valentine Gala
Benefitting Heart Care International
Saturday, February 24, 2018

All You Need is Love

Gathering Reception at 6:00 p.m.

- Concert features Love Songs from the 60's, 70's & 80's sung by our Men's Chorus & directed by Alexander Constantine
- Special Guest Stars
- Concert is complimentary for Ladies & \$50 for Gentlemen (to be paid at the door)
- Gourmet Dinner before the concert & dessert reception to follow

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