

**Rangeley Congregational Church,  
United Church of Christ  
An Open and Affirming Church  
*Fifth Sunday after Epiphany***

February 10, 2019

10:00 AM

***Meditation:***

We do not draw people to Christ by loudly discrediting what they believe, by telling them how wrong they are and how right we are, but by showing them a light that is so lovely that they want with all their hearts to know the source of it.

*-- Madeleine L'Engle*

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE

“18<sup>th</sup> Century Dance”

Played by Adam Crump

“Today We Are Called to Be Disciples”

Tune: KINGSFOLD/Arr. Jason Krug

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist

INVOCATION (**Unison**)

**Grant light to our eyes and strength to our souls, Eternal One, as you touch us once more with your word of truth. Appear to us gathered here, as the risen Christ came to the disciples, that our lives may be made whole and our work for you may bear good fruit. Amen.**

CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 138*

Liturgist

I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;  
before the gods I sing your praise;

**On the day I called, you answered me,  
you increased my strength of soul.**

For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly;  
but the haughty he perceives from far away.

**Though I walk in the midst of trouble,  
you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;**  
you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.  
**The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me;  
your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.**

\*GATHERING HYMN #400 (NCH)

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**Lord God, in the light of your glory we see the wrong we  
have done, the suffering we have caused, the good we have  
refused, and the truth we have denied. Heal us of our sin,  
wash us in your mercy, and feed us with your grace, so that  
we may follow in your way and tell the good news of the  
gospel...**

TIME FOR SILENT CONFESSION

WORDS OF HOPE AND ASSURANCE

TIME WITH THE YOUNG AT HEART

Scholarship Award to Natalie Brooks

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS:

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Luke 5:1-11

### SERMON

HYMN OF MEDITATION #173 (NCH)

“You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore”

## SERVICE OF PRAYER

### PRAYER FOR GOD’S PEOPLE

*(As you name a joy or concern later in the prayer, please finish by saying “This is my prayer.” The church family responds by saying “This is our prayer.”)*

**We pray for:** *Mary Dubay; Sarah Brouse (fiancé of Dubay’s son Steven); Susan Johnson; Adam Crump; Roger Roy (significant other of Daphne, Donna Wilcox’s sister); Zeb Wentzell (Terri Wentzell’s grandson); Toni Millette; Becky Walker; Kris Nozal (Marcia Baker’s niece); Karen Lantz; Haelyn Vorous; our law enforcement personnel, first responders and the communities they serve; our military personnel worldwide; and all those who serve our country. And we hold in prayer those friends and members of our church family who are unable to join us in worship today.*

OUR LORD’S PRAYER (“forgive us our sins”)

**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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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, Amen.**

CHORAL AMEN #812 (NCH)

“Threefold Amen”

## **SERVICE OF GIVING**

INVITATION

OFFERTORY

“Solace”

Scott Joplin

\*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above ye heavenly host;  
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (**Unison**)

**Increase the strength of these gifts, and the strength of our ministries, dear God. Expand the nets of our love, that we may reach deeply and share abundantly. In Christ’s name, we pray. Amen.**

\*CLOSING HYMN #504 (NCH)

“You Walk along Our Shoreline”

\*BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE AND EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES

“Sunshine in My Soul”

Tune: SUNSHINE/Arr. Mark Hayes

February is Black History Month. Today’s featured musician is Scott Joplin (1868-1917). Joplin achieved fame for his ragtime-compositions, and was later titled The King of Ragtime. During his brief career, he wrote 44 original ragtime pieces, one ragtime ballet, and two operas.

*Special Thanks to all who helped with the service today:*

- + *Sandy Moore, Liturgist*
- + *Lourrie Chandler & Claire Chase, Ushers*
- + *Donna Wilcox, Sunday School*
- + *Linda Wendelken & Lourrie Chandler, Coffee Hour*
- + *Adam Crump, for Special Music*

**~This Week:**

- + Church Council update session led by Rick Baker, immediately following worship in the Barn.
- + “Commandments” Study- Sunday, 2/10, 11:30 am, East Room
- + Men’s Breakfast – Monday, 2/11, 8 am, Country Club Inn
- + Rangeley Ringers – Monday, 2/11, 8 am, Sanctuary
- + Finance Committee – Monday, 2/11, 3 pm, East Room
- + Church Council – Monday, 2/11, 4 pm, East Room
- + Pastor Annette’s “Drop In” Hours - Tuesday, 2/12, 1-3 pm, Pastor’s Office

**~Next Week:**

- + “Commandments” Study- Sunday, 2/17, 11:30 am, East Room
- + Rangeley Ringers – Monday, 2/18, 8 am, Sanctuary
- + Prayer Shawl – Monday, 2/18, 2 pm, Barn
- + Pastor Annette’s “Drop In” Hours - Tuesday, 2/19, 1-3 pm, Pastor’s Office
- + Women’s Fellowship – Friday, 2/22, 10am, Barn

*Walking toward God, we the members of the Rangeley Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, Rangeley, Maine, seek to be a congregation which includes all persons who desire to have a relationship with God and to live God’s love, as shown to us through the teachings and examples of Jesus Christ.*

from our Open and Affirming Statement

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