

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ
September 22, 2013

Those who are able may stand where marked (*).

Gathering Music Hymn #456 "Find Us Faithful"

Welcome, Announcements and Opening Prayer *Ann Craxton*

Prelude and Ministry of the Acolyte

Call to Worship *Deuteronomy 30:11-14*

One: Sometimes we panic, good and loving God;
we think you're asking more than we can do.

**All: Help us to find your generous word
on our lips and deep in our heart of hearts;
and when we have found your loving will for us,
give us the courage to do it.**

One: We imagine your will is beyond us; we think
we would have to climb a mountain up to the sky,
or swim to the farthest side of the sea
to find the secret of your will for our lives.

**All: Help us to find your generous word
on our lips and deep in our heart of hearts;
and when we have found your loving will for us,
give us the courage to do it.**

One: The truth is, your loving will for us isn't hard to know at all;
in fact, it's very simple; it's very nearby;
you have already planted it inside us.

**All: Help us to find your generous word
on our lips and deep in our heart of hearts;
and when we have found your loving will for us,
give us the courage to do it. AMEN**

*Hymn #563 "Open My Eyes That I May See"

Anthem "Who at My Door Is Standing" *English Folk Song*

Children's Time

Moments of Concern and Celebration
(Please fill out a blue card in the pew)
Pastoral Prayer
Savior's Prayer (trespasses)

Worship of God with our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory Music
*Doxology #815
*Offertory Prayer

*Hymn #11 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Scripture: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Sermon: "Choose Life!"

*Hymn: #589 "Here I Am, Lord"

*Benediction

*Response Hymn #456 "Find Us Faithful"

*Ministry of the Acolyte

*Postlude