

**THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
United Church of Christ  
Middlebury, Vermont

January 29, 2012

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

*Our mission is to live as Jesus taught, loving God  
and loving our neighbors as ourselves.*

PRELUDE “Song of Pain” (excerpt) Jean Langlais  
“Greatly Rejoice, O My Soul”  
- setting by Samuel Scheidt

INTROIT “Christians, We Have Met to Worship”  
- William Moore, Columbian Harmony, 1825

WELCOME

TIME OF SILENCE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
**for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

Blessed are they that mourn,  
**for they shall be comforted.**

Blessed are the meek,  
**for they shall inherit the earth.**

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
**for they shall be filled.**

Blessed are the merciful,  
**for they shall receive mercy.**

Blessed are the pure in heart,  
**for they shall see God.**

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\* the congregation is invited to stand  
**(Bold print designates a collective response)**



\*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

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Gathering of Prayers

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into  
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the  
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

\*HYMN      "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"      #560

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE    "Song of Joy"      Jean Langlais

## WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Andy Nagy-Benson, Pastor

Jim Wright, Lay Reader

Jeff Buettner, Organist

Jessica Allen, Director of Music

Jennifer Smith, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries

Tom Bechtel, Bill Fifield, Deacons

Abby Gleason, Deacons' assistant

Spencer Smith, Candlelighter

Betty Thurber and F. Richard Cramton, Greeters

Anna Hardway, Maureen Williams, Robin Bentley,

Annual Potluck Dinner

## **CHURCH SCHOOL**

Children attend the first part of the worship service with their parents, then join their teachers for Church School after the Children's Message. Teachers and classrooms are listed below:

**Pre-K/K**, Lisa Rader: Library classroom (next to Nursery) in Fellowship Hall

**1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> grade**, Cindy Marshall: Upstairs to the left in Charter House

**3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade**, Jill Ruffa: Upstairs to the right in Charter House, last classroom on left

**5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade**, Steve Abbott: Upstairs to the right in Charter House, classroom in the right corner

**7-9<sup>th</sup> grade**, Alison Joseph: Piano room in Charter House

## **LOST AND FOUND**

There will be a table in Fellowship Hall today containing items which have been left in the Church and Charter House during the past three months. Any items remaining after today will be taken to HOPE or discarded. Any questions, please ask Mal Chase.