

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 28, 2024

9:45 AM

MEDITATION: "Instructions for living a life. Pay attention. Be astonished. Tell about it." ~Mary Oliver, *Sometimes*

PRELUDE

Rhosymedre

Vaughan Williams

WORDS OF WELCOME

Rev. Anne Marie Holloway

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ calls us to see him as the vine and for us to become the branches.

Let us seek to produce much fruit in God's Garden where all are welcome.

Come, let us worship the Master Gardener!

Let us worship the Creator of all that was, is and forever will be. Amen

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #22 *All Creatures of Our God and King*

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*SILENT CONFESSION

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*GLORIA PATRI

GREATOREX

Glory to the Creator, the Christ, the Holy Spirit Three in One; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Amen.

Please be seated as the children are invited forward.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Elizabeth McNamee

THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you all.

And also, with you.

Please share the peace of Christ with your neighbor!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Please Lord, we also pray for: Those suffering from the effects of flooding, fires, and war; healing and comfort for Olive Barrett, Marcia Bibeault, Dick Lane, Michael Martens, Jack Stone.

“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 forever.” Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE *Surely, the Presence of the Lord is in this Place*

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALL TO OFFERING



For your convenience, we have included a QR code for donations. Thank you for your generosity.

*DOXOLOGY *#46 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*
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.

*UNISON OFFERING PRAYER

Holy One, Pour your Spirit upon these gifts. Send them into the world as a sign and song of your joyous work of love. Use them to bring healing, life, and joy. Amen

SCRIPTURE

John 15: 1-17 (NIV)

Janice Girard

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit, he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done

for you. This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. This is my command: Love each other.”

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

This ends the reading of God's Holy Word.

For the Word of God in Scripture; for the Word of God among us; for the Word of God within us, **thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

Gracious Spirit Dwell With Me

Scott

SERMON

Branches thrown away

Rev. Anne Marie Holloway

*RECESSIONAL HYMN

#233 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Anne Marie Holloway

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Amen

Welch

POSTLUDE

Hyfrydol

Vaughan Williams

USHERS

Andrew Marcous & Nancy Clegg

COFFEE HOUR

No Coffee Hour - James Joyce Ramble

ALTAR FLOWERS

Lori & Heath's 24th wedding Anniversary

**Be sure to visit our website to see all that is happening at the Allin
Congregational Church!**

allinchurch.org

We've added to the list

**DEDHAM FOOD PANTRY HAS A SHORTAGE OF CANNED GOODS
(ENSURE, SOUP, STEWS, SPAGHETTI O'S ETC.)**

You can drop off the items in the basket in the Stage Room marked Food Pantry.

Please check the link here: <https://dedhamfoodpantry.org/donate/wishlist/>

View our [opportunities & register online](#).



A Note from Jane:

To my Allin Family,
Thank you for my retirement blessing and reception.
You made me feel special, loved, & humbled.
With love,
Jane

LOOKING AHEAD!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE FOLLOWING DATES:

- **MAY 10th:** MESSY FRIDAY (Families) @ 6pm
- **JUNE 2nd** CELEBRATION SUNDAY & BARBEQUE
- **JUNE 8th (SAT.)** AN ALLIN CHURCH (ONE DAY) "IMAGINE" RETREAT
 - IN WAREHAM 9AM-3PM. Sign-ups to attend in the Stage Room.
(INCLUDES CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH)

Minister's Hours

Rev. Anne Marie would love to visit with you at the church during the week or meet you for coffee! She holds office hours on most Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays between 9:30 and 12:30pm! Drop in or schedule a time to meet! She is available to meet off site on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. Just send her an email @ pastorannem@allinchurch.org

Rev. Anne Marie tries to hold Fridays and Saturdays as her Sabbath, as they are often filled with sermon editing/writing and family appointment days.

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