

Wilbraham United Church
Summer Worship

July 23, 2017

9:30AM

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace

****Hymn:** “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” *stanzas 1 & 2* #384

Call to Worship Suzanne Zeckhausen

Leader: Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on us

All: Melt our fears, our anger, our grief

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All: Mold us into resurrection people

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All Fill us with adventurous expectation for what is next!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Merciful God, your creatures cry—creation groans—but we turn away; We surround ourselves with noise. We shy away from difference. We seek out comfort rather than the gift of new life. Restore our imaginations and our hearts, that we may live with courage and compassion awaiting with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God. Amen

WORDS OF ASSURANCE WITH THE LORD’S PRAYER
(Trespases)

Leader: This day God has made for life and all joy!

Alleluia! Let us pray the prayer Jesus taught us . . .

Sung Response Gloria Patri
*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.*

Scripture Romans 8:12-25 Pew Bible Pg. 983

Sermon: “What’s Next?” Pastor Susan

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

Musical Offering

****Doxology** *Praise God, Creator of the earth;
Praise God made flesh with Jesus’ birth;
Praise God within each living soul;
Praise God in whom we are made whole.*

Blessing the Gifts

****Hymn:** “Loving Spirit” # 2123 FWS *small black book*

Benediction

Postlude

**All who feel comfortable may stand.

*“This resurrection life you received from God is not a timid, grave-tending life. It’s adventurously expectant, greeting God with a childlike “What’s next, Papa?”
Romans 8:15, Eugene Peterson, The Message*

The *altar flowers* this morning are given to the Glory of God in honor and celebration of the life of Loren W. Hill.

Attention Visitors, Members and Friends! We bid you a very warm welcome and invite you to sign our Friendship Pad located in each

pew. *Immediately after the service, please join us for Fellowship and Refreshment in Fellowship Hall.*

MINISTERING TO YOU TODAY

Interim Minister: Rev. Susan Gibson

Music Director: Mark Jacobson

Dir. Of Christian Education: Paul Nesbit

Head Usher: Tom Toman

Ushers: Sandy & Larry Harris

Greeters: Judy Marek, Chrissy Plumb

Nursery Care: Phyllis Walsh, Kim Neelans



Please Pray for:

Joe Gubala, Sue Pereira, Loren and Norma Hill,
Our troops, our country and our world.
Our Congregation, along with
Christ the King-Epiphany, as we discern our future.



Please pray for the members of our Senior Minister Search Committee and their diligent work.

Members are: Tom Toman, Deb Trimble, Kim Neelans, Phyllis Walsh, Steve Niederfringer and Tina Bazarian.

Summer Office hours: Tuesday – Friday 8am – Noon

The Church Office is **closed on Mondays** thru Sept. 4th.

Our services are also available on Wilbraham Public Access, Ch.191,
8 PM on Mondays and 8 AM on Tuesdays.

Services are also available on-line.

Go to www.wilbraham-ma.gov.

On the left click Public Access Schedules - Channel 191.
Find the service you'd like to watch by selecting a date on the calendar and a time, ie 8pm Mondays or 8am on Tuesdays.
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SUMMER WORSHIP



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This Week at Wilbraham United

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TODAY, July 23: **9:30am** Worship
Welcome Back!! Pastor Susan
10:45am Fellowship – Fellowship Hall
6:00pm Al Anon – Howard Room

Mon. 07/24: Church Office closed

Tues. 07/25: 7pm VBC Volunteers

Wed. 07/26: 6pm AlAnon – Youth Room

Thu. 07/27: 10am VBC Volunteers
11:00am Steven Mahaffey Memorial Service
4:00pm Prayer Study Group – @ Burch Home
6:00pm Al Anon/Al-a-Teen – Youth Room +
7pm VBC Volunteers

Fri. 07/28: 9:30am-12:30 pm Thrift Shop
Christmas in July Sale

Sat. 07/29: 9:30am-12:30pm Thrift Shop
Christmas in July Sale

Sun. 07/30: **9:30am** Worship
10:45am Fellowship – Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm Al Anon –HR
6:00pm Decorate for VBC
7:00pm VBC Volunteers



VBC 2017

July 31 – August 4



Tuesday, July 25, 7pm VBC Volunteers meeting

Thursday, July 27, 7pm VBC Volunteers meeting

Whoohoo!!!

137 have signed up!!

Acceptance now by
waiting list only!

Countdown to July 31st!!