



3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday, January 24, 2010



hope church

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GATHERING IN WORSHIP

You are invited to light a candle at any time during worship that we might all share in the Light.

During Communion find members of our prayer team are available to pray with you.

Our prayer team will pray through the week the prayers that you offer via the prayer request form.

We hope you will let us know that you have been with us by completing the form in the bulletin.

Living Hope

Welcome

Opening Song

“De Colores”

De Colores, De Colores se visten los campos en la primavera.

De Colores, De colores son los pajaritos que vienen de afuera.

De Colores, De colores es el arco iris que vemos lucir.

Y por eso los grandes amores, De muchos colores me gustan a mí.

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Sing of colors, sing of colors that over the hills in profusion are springing;

Sing of colors of the birds that fly outside my window their canticles singing;

Sing of colors, in the rainbow's bright colors Gods promise of hope we recall,

Sing of colors that make up the earth and give thanks to the God who created us all.

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Sing, rejoicing! Every creature that breathes raise a song to the God of Creation.

Sing, rejoicing! Sing to God who so earnestly cares, who has offered salvation.

Sing the Good News! Sing the love of the Savior reflecting the colors of all.

Many colors that shine from God's face, many colors that tell us God's love to recall.

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Confession, Assurance and Celebration

Prayer & Silence

Sung Confession: “Ubi Caritas”

Ubi caritas et amor, ubi caritas Deus ibi est.

Assurance of Forgiveness and God's Presence

Passing of the Peace One: The peace of Christ be with you all. **All: And also with you.**

Sung Celebration: “We Will Walk With God”

We will walk with God, my sisters, we will walk with God.

We will walk with God, my brothers, we will walk with God.

We will go rejoicing til the kingdom has come.

Call To Prayer

Hope Church Singers

Prayers of the People

In addition to our open prayer time, you are encouraged to use the prayer circles that are available during Holy Communion and the Prayer Request in this bulletin which will bring your prayers to the attention of the pastor and the prayer ministry team.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Scripture

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! (hum)

(Al - le - lu - ia)

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! (hum)' are written below the treble staff. A second line of lyrics '(Al - le - lu - ia)' is written below the bass staff. There is a section symbol (§) above the first measure of the treble staff.

Psalm 19

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

One: The Word of Truth **All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

JUST J?

Rev. Wendy

Hymn

“Thank Our God for Sisters, Brothers”

Thank our God for sisters, brothers, one by grace, in harmony,
Joining heart to heart with others, making strong community.
With the cross of Christ our standard, let us sing with one voice,
Glory, glory, yours the promise: we who are the church rejoice.

Praise to God for congregations, keeping faith with Christ as guide;
Many tongues of many nations, song and service unified.
Sweet the psalms and sweet the carol, when our song is raised as one.
Glory, glory, yours the power, as in heaven your will be done.

Holy is your name forever! Heal divisions that remain;
Bless the church's new endeavors; make our witness one again.
One in Christ and in Christ's gospel, make us one we now implore.
Glory, glory, yours the glory, then and now and evermore.

COMMUNION

Offering

Invitation to Joyful Stewardship

Sung Response (*Amen*), Procession of Gifts and Prayer of Dedication

Holy Communion

Invitation to the Feast: *This is an open table; everyone is welcome. You are invited forward to receive the bread and dip it into the bowls of grape juice or the chalice of wine. Gluten Free “bread” is available. Should you need assistance; a server will bring you the communion elements*

Communion Prayer and Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayer of our Savior (sins; sins against us)

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever, amen.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Closing Hymn

“In the Highways”

In the highways, in the hedges.
In the highways, in the hedges
In the highways, in the hedges
I'll be somewhere working for my Lord

Chorus:

I'll be somewhere working
I'll be somewhere working
I'll be somewhere working for my Lord
I'll be somewhere working
I'll be somewhere working
I'll be somewhere working for my Lord

If He calls me I will answer
If He calls me I will answer
If He calls me I will answer
I'll be somewhere working for my Lord

Benediction

CHILD CARE

Child Care and is available in the parlor,
(through right hand door at the front of the sanctuary).

LIVING HOPE

Worship This Week & Beyond:

Invite a friend to come along and join us for worship.

Today, Sunday, January 24, 5:30 pm worship: As we face the significant decision to unite with the history, heritage and people of Central Congregational Church, Rev. Wendy will consider the question: “Whose Body”, using the well know text of 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a. Whose body indeed!

Next Sunday, Next Sunday, January 31, 5:30 worship: We will join Amara and Matt in the baptism of Master Micah Mulder and celebrate a “lovehope faith” through St. Paul’s action based call to love in 1 Corinthians 13 (you know, the wedding text!). See how this is so NOT a wedding-only story.

Congregational Meeting

Tonight, Sunday, January 24, 6:45 pm after worship, Agenda will include:

- I. Present Budget for united congregation
- II. Elect Leadership
- III. Review Plans for Uniting Congregations
- III. Other business that may come before the congregation

SMALL GROUPS & MINISTRIES

In Care Committee: will meet on Wednesday, January 27, at 6pm in the Hope Office.

Knitting with the Kitty Dukakis Treatment Center - Nancy Azar (njazar@rcn.com) and the Knitting Circle will gather on Friday, January 29 at 7:30pm. Please let Nancy know if you would be interested in participating with them or if you have any yarn or knitting needles that you could donate.

Fast Track Grant

Nancy Doherty is the recipient of the latest fast track grant. The Mariposa Foundation, a Dominican & U.S. non-profit, works to assist youth and families to become active community leaders for social change. The Mariposa Foundation's mission is inspired by the Millennium Development Goals set out by the United Nations. The Foundation runs youth and women's groups, organizes job training programs and contributes to efforts to increase access to quality education. They also have a summer program, and this fast grant is sponsoring Nancy's trip to the Dominican Republic this summer to volunteer in the program.

The Mariposa DR Foundation works to end extreme poverty, especially by empowering girls and women to achieve their full potential. The mariposa (butterfly) is a universal symbol representing transition, freedom and peace. It was also a name given to the Mirabal sisters, women who fought injustice and gave their lives so that others could live on the island as free people. More information can be found at <http://mariposafoundation.com>

Hope Do-Drop In Book Group: will meet on Tuesday, Feb 23, at 6:30 p.m. This month's book is Tracy Kidder's STRENGTH IN WHAT REMAINS (the inspiring story of a young medical student who fled Burundi's civil war, immigrated to the U.S., and never lost his love for his homeland.. Stacey Schamber will host the group. Please email her if you plan to attend: slschamber@gmail.com



Hope is the thing with feathers
That perches in the soul,
And sings the tune—without the words,
And never stops at all...
Emily Dickinson

HOPE CHURCH OPERATING STATEMENT			
	01/01/2009 thru	12/31/09	
		Budget	Actual
		to Date	to Date
			09 Budget
INCOME			
Pledges Received	140,000	134,075	140,000
Offerings	<u>22,000</u>	<u>11,444</u>	<u>22,000</u>
Total Contributions Income	162,000	145,519	162,000
Other Income	<u>1,000</u>	<u>3,533</u>	<u>1,000</u>
TOTAL INCOME	163,000	149,052	163,000
TOTAL EXPENSES	222,266	189,834	222,266
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(59,266)	(40,782)	(59,266)
CASH BALANCE as of	12/31/09	\$25,808	

HOPE CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Ministers: All of us!

Interim Pastor:

Rev. Wendy Miller Olapade, pastor@hopeboston.org

Administrative Manager:

Frederick Hayes, office@hopeboston.org,

Interim Music Director

Jeanne Lucas, jeannemlucas@hotmail.com

Music Leadership

Hope Church Singers,
Bobby Hall, Neil Helme, Todor Stoinov

Interim Minister

Spiritual Formation & Christian Education

Leadership Circle:

J Conlon, board@hopeboston.org (Moderator)
John Brock, Bob Drake, Christie Dustman,
Kathie Mainzer, Stacey Schamber,
Frank Stevens, Kevin Tucker, Judy Wagoner

HOPE CHURCH MINISTRIES

Hope Church is a vibrant and growing community with lots of ways to get involved. Please contact these leaders and let us know where you feel called to serve and we'll plug you in!

Casserole Care:

Kathy Bermingham

Children's Church:

Finance:

Frank Stevens

Hospitality:

All of us....

In Care Committee

Polly Hamlen

Nominating Committee:

Laura Everett

Prayer Ministry:

Beverly Pacheco

Search Committee:

Beth Chandler

Seminarian Support:

Rev. Wendy Miller Olapade

Rev. Steven Vandergrift

Social Justice:

Neeka Stanley

Stewardship:

Ellen Snoeyenbos

Welcome Baby:

Barbara McQueen

Welcome Wagon:

Jean Vandergrift

Worship, Arts and Music:

Nanette Savides/

Welcome to Hope Church...

Welcome to all who have no church home, need strength, want to follow Christ, have doubts, or do not believe.

Welcome to new visitors and to old friends.

Welcome to grandparents, to mothers, fathers, and single people.

Welcome to people of all colors, cultures, abilities, and sexual orientations, to old and young, to believers and questioners – and welcome to questioning believers.

Welcome to everyone!

Tonight we are all invited to live into God's love, peace, and justice.

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