



CONGREGATIONAL  
**CHURCH**  
OF NEEDHAM

October 13, 2013

Theme: Faith

**Our Covenant**

We strive to be a joyful, welcoming Christian  
Community.

We seek to be faithful in a world torn by suffering,  
injustice, oppression, and war,

We are inspired by God, Christ's ministry, and the  
examples of other faithful people.

We join together in worship and song, fellowship, study,  
and mission, to embrace the risks and challenges of  
continuing Christ's ministry.

We struggle to live out our faith in the world by  
furthering justice and peace, witnessing to the truth,  
and proclaiming God's love  
and mercy for all people.



*As a covenant community we are committed to the belief that all people are created equal before God. In affirmation of the inclusive love of Christ Jesus, we welcome persons of any race, gender, age, sexual orientation, ability and economic circumstance to full participation in our community life and ministry. We strive to reflect these beliefs in the language and content of our worship and in our lives together.*



*Sunday, October 13, 2013*

*10:00am*

*Childcare is available downstairs in the NEW crib/toddler room for infants and toddlers. Preschoolers go directly downstairs to classes at 10am. Grades K-6 start in the sanctuary and leave after "Time for Children" to the chapel to watch a movie. Grades 7-12 may stay in Worship with their families.*

**PRELUDE**

Prelude Modale  
*Jean Langlais (1907-1991)*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

David Darmofal

Leader: Come together in a spirit of love and truth

**People: May God guide us as we sing and pray.**

Leader: May God give us grace to listen with our hearts and minds.

**People: Help us to mean the words we say.**

Leader: May God hush our anxious souls.

**People: Let us release our list of cares.**

Leader: In this hour let us feel,

**People: Your presence everywhere.**

**\*OPENING HYMN # 18** (New Century)

Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer

**OPENING PRAYER**

David Darmofal

*Call to Prayer*

Leader: Lift up your hearts.  
People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Leader: Let us pray.

*Unison Prayer*

**Gracious God we enter this sanctuary seeking faith.**

**Grant us**

**Your wisdom to inspire us,**

**Your eyes to watch over us;**

**Your ears to hear us.**

**Your word to grant us speech,**

**Your hand to guard us,**

**Your path to give us direction,**

**And Your power to shield and protect us.**

*Silent Prayer*

*Lord's Prayer*

*Prayer Response*

**TIME FOR CHILDREN** (Children to Bible Village during song.)

**CHILDREN'S HYMN (#526)**

We Are Marching In  
The Light of God

**ANTHEM**

Lord, Here Am I  
*John Ness Beck (1930-1987)*  
Soomi Lee Lowry, piano

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Exodus 14:10-31

HS, p. 59-60

**SERMON**

*Faith in God*

Rev. Heike Werder

**\*UCC Statement of Faith**

New Century Hymnal #885

**HYMN** (seated) # 572 (*New Century*)

When Israel Was in Egypt's Land

**MORNING PRAYER**

*Concerns and Celebrations*

*Call to Prayer*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with your spirit.**

Leader: O Lord, show your mercy upon us.

**People: And grant us your salvation.**

Leader: O God, make clean our hearts within us.

**People: And take not your Holy Spirit from us.**

Leader: Let us pray.

*Pastoral Prayer*

*Congregational Response*

**Spirit of the Living God**

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

**OFFERTORY**

*Anthem*

Cansoun per ma mio et La Boumiano  
*from Tableaux de Provence-Paule Charlotte Maurice (1910-1967)*

Emily Verschoor-Kirss, saxophone

\**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*

\***CLOSING HYMN # 410** (New Century)

If You But Trust in God to Guide You

**BENEDICTION**

**CHORAL BENEDICTION**

May The Lord Watch Over You

*Ruth Elaine Schram (b. 1956)*

Eric Slosser, cello;

Dave Darmofal, piano

**POSTLUDE**

Beethoven Sonata. Op. 10,N.1  
*1st Movement*  
Soomi Lee Lowry, piano

*\*You are invited to stand.*

- Welcome to all who are here for the first time. Please fill out the blue “Welcome” card in the pews to receive weekly emails or newsletters.
- Please turn off your cell phone before attending the service.
- Please ask an usher if you would like a copy of the sermon, or need a hearing device. Copies of the sermons are also available on the sermon link at [www.needhamucc.org](http://www.needhamucc.org), our church website.

*Worship Leader:* David Darmofal

*Deacons:* Tim Barber, Frank Arren

*Ushers:* Alex Cullen, Eric Slosser, Nancy Lane, Frank Luppino

*Altar Guild:* Lee McNally

*Flowers:* Fabienne Madsen

*Flower Delivery:* Chris Arren

*The flowers on the altar are given today to the glory of God and in loving memory of Joanne’s father, Ralph Cerame by Joanne Cerame, Don DeVeuve and Madeline DeVeuve.*



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### UNDERSTANDING THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS – Field Trip TODAY!

Lunch will be served in Linden Hall, and then we will car pool to the museum.

MINOR PROPHETS OF THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES: We are welcoming back Andover Newton Professor Greg Mobley for a lecture. October 20, 2013 at 11:30 am in Linden Hall.

Bible Study - Sunu Yeh and Christine Weitzel will lead discussions of the book Saving Jesus from the Church. Sunu's group meets on Sundays in the Conference Room at 11:30 a.m. Christine leads a group on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Reception Room. Bring your questions of faith and join us. Newcomers are always welcome.

### Honky Tonk Piano Man

All members of the church are cordially invited to Friendly's October meeting on Wednesday, October 16, at 7:30 p.m. when Gary Landgren, "Honky Tonk Piano Man" will entertain us with music, including ragtime, swing, and early jazz. There will also be a sing-along to many memorable songs. So please save October 16 on your calendar and join us for an informal and lively presentation, followed by delicious refreshments.

GET YOUR TICKETS: Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)! Limited Engagement! Sunday, October 20th and Monday October 21st at 7 pm. See a light-hearted adaptation of all the bard's classics in a two-act tour-de-force (Farce?), starring our own Joshua Scharback. Tickets are available in Coffee Hour today (prices: \$40/person or \$25/student). A Silent Auction will offer Guatemalan handicrafts and donated items, including vacation homes. Sponsored by the Guatemala Partnership Committee.

The Senior High Youth Group Haunted House are in the midst of planning their annual Haunted House, which will be open to the public from **5pm-8pm on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>** for kids of all ages. A game room and bouncy house will be available for fun without the scares. \$5 per person, all proceeds help youth attend the Summer Mission Trip.

*We are in need of bags of individually wrapped candy (NO NUTS PLEASE) are needed! Please drop off donations in Rev. Jamie's office by Friday, October 25th.*

DONATIONS NEEDED! The Village Fair will again include a silent auction, and your generous donation of crafts, services, gift cards and other items (new or gently used) will be much appreciated. If you are interested in donating, please contact Auction Co-Chairs Jane Brand (ajbrand@comcast.net) or Diana Conroy (conroyjd@rcn.com). Also, if you are interested in helping out on the day of the auction, please let us know.

## CALENDAR for October 13<sup>th</sup> – October 21<sup>th</sup>

<b>Sunday October 13<sup>th</sup></b>	9am 10am 11:30am	Chancel Choir rehearsal, <i>Sanctuary</i> Worship, <i>Sanctuary</i> Lunch & Field trip to Museum, <i>Linden Hall</i> Bible Study with Sunu Yeh, <i>Conf. Room</i>
<b>Monday October 14<sup>th</sup></b>	7:30pm	<b><i>The Church Office is Closed</i></b> Immigration Task Force, <i>Library</i>
<b>Wednesday October 16<sup>th</sup></b>	7:30pm	Friendly Presentation, Honky Tonk Piano Man, <i>Fellowship Halls</i>
<b>Thursday October 17<sup>th</sup></b>	10:30am	Bible Study with Christine Weitzel, <i>Reception Room</i>
<b>Saturday October 19<sup>th</sup></b>	5pm	Senior High Youth Group Lock In, <i>Whole Church</i>
<b>Sunday October 20<sup>th</sup></b>	10am  11:30am  7pm	Worship, <i>Sanctuary</i> Baptism Carter Nyland, <i>Sanctuary</i> Greg Mobley Lecture, <i>Linden Hall</i> Bible Study with Sunu Yeh, <i>Conf. Room</i> Shakespeare Play, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
<b>Monday October 21<sup>st</sup></b>	7pm	Shakespeare Play, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>