

It is impossible to love Christ without loving others in proportion as these others are moving toward Christ. And it is impossible to love others in a spirit of broad human communion without moving nearer to Christ.

Pierre Teilhard de Chardin



We Gather to Praise God

** indicates those who are able may stand*



WELCOME AND SHARING NEWS

ORGAN PRELUDE

O Lamb of God

J.S. Bach



* CALL TO WORSHIP *responsively* *Passionsspiele 2010 Oberammergau*

Leader: Welcome to all, who with us follow the Savior,

**People: Who came to heal what was wounded;
to save what was lost!**



Leader: The Holy One animates us with the Spirit of Heaven,

**People: He brings his peace to us,
teaches us to believe, love, hope.**

Leader: Those who trust him find life.

**People: See how he takes all the burdens of Eve's children
upon his shoulders; how—struggling, suffering, dying—
he opens wide the doors for us to our Father.**

Leader: Welcome to all. Come let us worship.

* OPENING HYMN #241 *Holy Spirit, Truth Divine*



* GREETING ONE ANOTHER *please stand and greet those around you!*

* RESPONSE *sung by everyone* (Tune #277)



**Christians, we have met to worship and adore the living God;
Let us pray for all earth's people til our God makes all things new.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *seated, in unison*

Gayle Murphy

**Gracious God, we need to prepare ourselves to worship
and welcome you into our lives. We do so on this day
with this confession; confession of the things that we
choose to do which bring us out of the Garden of Eden.**



We also confess the things which we have left undone, calls from you left unheeded. And we confess the ways that we replace you with our own sense of importance and control. As you have forgiven us so often in the past, forgive us on this day so that we may stand before you made new and closer to how you created us.

We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen.



WORDS OF ASSURANCE *by the pastor*

God hears our repentance and does not hold our sins against us because of Jesus' work to bring about forgiveness.

Know the grace of God and live as a person forgiven.



We Listen for God's Word



ANTHEM

Wondrous Love

arr. Marie Pool

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Genesis 3:20-24

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CHILDREN'S TIME

"Banished"



PRAYER OF JESUS (using "sins")

* HYMN #582

Come Down, O Love Divine

At this time children through high school adjourn to classes



SERVICE OF PRAYER

SHARING PRAYER JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER — PASTORAL PRAYER — RESPONSE

GOSPEL READING

John 14:10-17, 25-26; 15:12-17, 26-27

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SERMON

"Believe and Receive"

We Respond to God's Word

THE OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

* DOXOLOGY #46 (*altered rhythm*)

Thomas Ken (167

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION *by the pastor*

* CLOSING HYMN #453 *Called as Partners in Christ's Service*

* BENEDICTION *by the pastor*

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #441 *sung together while holding hands*

**Peace be upon you and guard you forever.
Go in the knowledge that God is with you.**

* ORGAN POSTLUDE

We Depart to Serve God

*Please join us in the Parish Hall for fellowship and refreshments
hosted by the Trustees*

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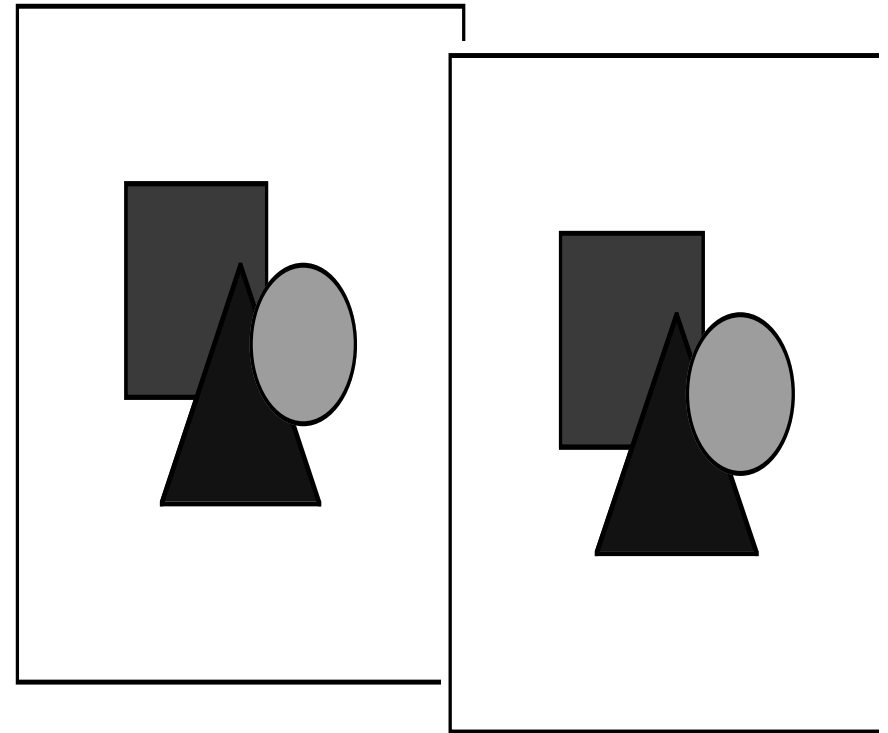
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Expulsion from the Garden
Dore Woodcut (ca 1865)



Teaching in the Temple
Dore Woodcut (ca 1865)

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Where Neighbors Meet

The First Congregational Church of Pembroke
United Church of Christ

MARCH 20, 2011

All Are Welcome!



Rev. Geoffrey A. Black

All members and friends of our New Hampshire Conference family are invited to an Open House to meet and greet the Rev. Geoffrey Black, our United Church of Christ General Minister & President.

An Open House to Welcome Rev. Geoffrey Black
Sunday, April 3, 2011
2:30 - 4:00 PM

New Hampshire Conference Center
140 Sheep Davis Road
Pembroke, NH 03275

Rev. Black will address those gathered at 3:15 PM. Refreshments will be served.

To assist with planning, an **RSVP (225-6647)** would be appreciated. Please respond to [Deanna Bennett](mailto:Deanna.Bennett@conchc.org).



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