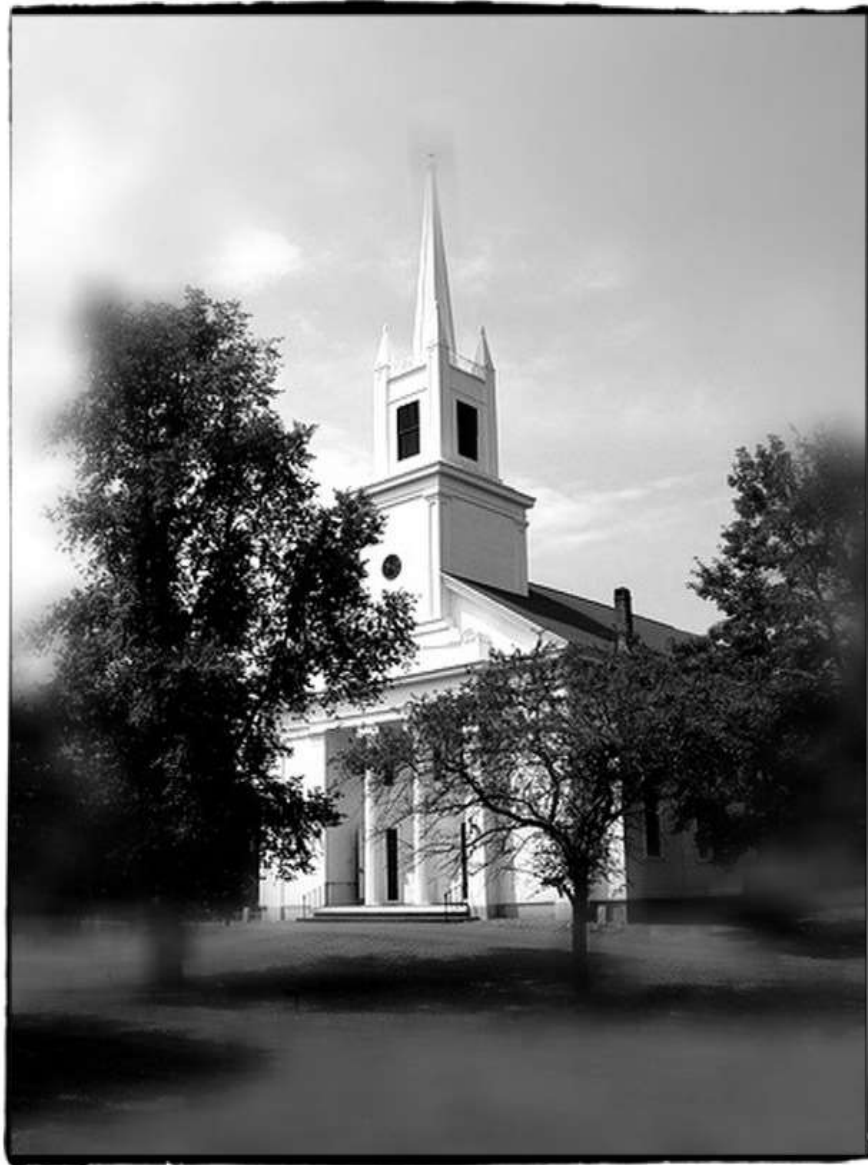


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*An Open and Affirming Congregation  
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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**MAY 25, 2025**  
**9:30 am**

PRELUDE "McKee" H.T. Burleigh

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Jamie Green Klopotoski

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION

OPENING HYMN "In Christ There Is No East or West" MCKEE  
HYMN #548 (MH) View page 5, all verses

**CALL TO WORSHIP:** Lay Reader, Charlotte Melling  
(Based on "You Call Us To Be One" by Christine Sine)

One: God, who is One, calls us to be one.

**All: May we be one with all, as we are all made in God's image.**

One: God, who is Three, calls us to be in community.

**All: May we find community with all, as all are called to be loved.**

One: Today, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we unite in worship.

**All: We unite with all our siblings in Christ.**

One: How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!

**All: May the Lord bestow blessings upon our unity forevermore. Amen.**

SHARING OUR GIFTS

THE OFFERTORY "The Hebrew Children" B.F. White

†THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**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\*\* Amen**

\*You may substitute God/Her \*\*You may substitute Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**\*CHILDREN DISMISSED FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL- (MEET IN THE NARTHEX TO BE BROUGHT OVER)**

ANTHEM "With a Voice of Singing" Martin Shaw

## Colossians 3:11-17

Here there is no longer Greek and Jew, religious and irreligious, insider and outsider, civilized and uncouth, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Amen.

SERMON

"E Pluribus Unum"

Rev. Jamie Green Klopotoski

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Debts)

**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.**

\*You may substitute Creator/Mother/Maker, etc. as you choose in saying the prayer.

CLOSING HYMN

HYMN #560 (MH)

"Help Us Accept Each Other"

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ACCEPTANCE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Help Us Accept Each Other"

Kaan/Beck

ALL VERSES

# In Christ There Is No East or West 548

The musical score is written for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in a 4-part setting. It features a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is primarily in the soprano and alto parts, with the tenor and bass parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are arranged in four verses, each corresponding to a different voice part. The first verse is in the soprano part, the second in the alto, the third in the tenor, and the fourth in the bass. The lyrics are as follows:

1. In Christ there is no east or west, in  
 2. In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where their  
 3. In Christ is neith - er Jew nor Greek, and  
 4. In Christ now meet both east and west, in

him no south or north; but one great fel - low -  
 high com - mun - ion find; his ser - vice is the  
 neith - er slave nor free; both male and fe - male  
 him meet south and north; all Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.  
 gold - en cord close bind - ing hu - man - kind.  
 heirs are made, and all are kin to me.  
 one in him through - out the whole wide earth.

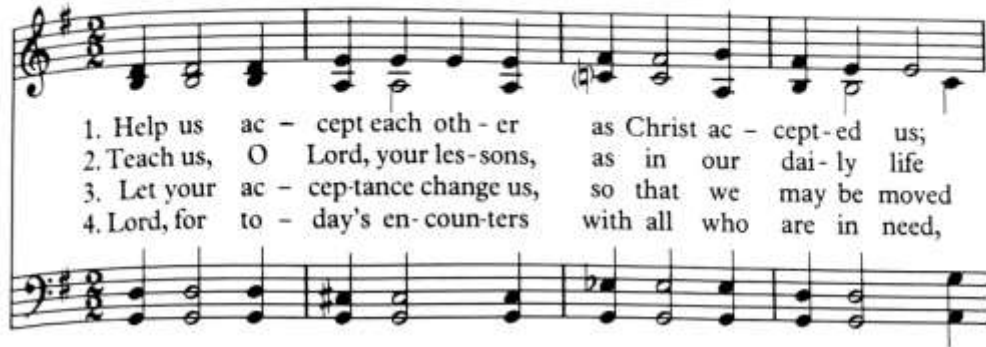
# ALL VERSES

UNITED IN CHRIST

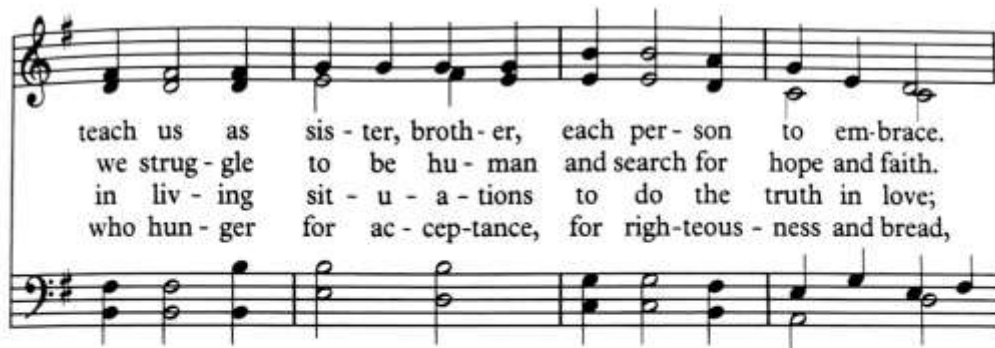
## Help Us Accept Each Other

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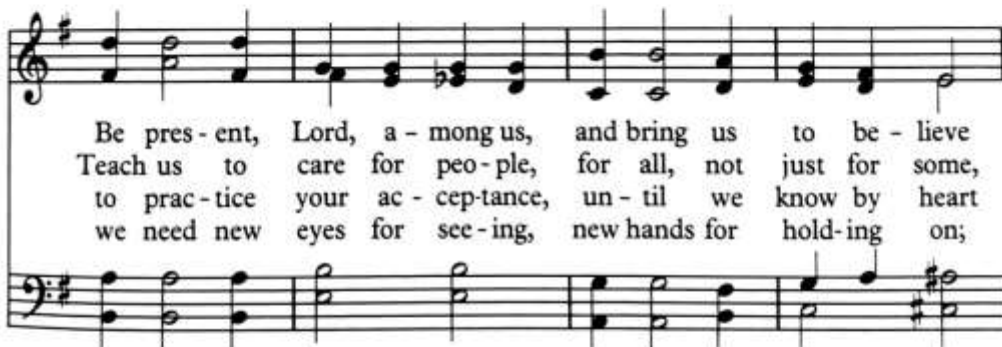
*Unison*



1. Help us ac - cept each oth - er as Christ ac - cept-ed us;  
 2. Teach us, O Lord, your les-sons, as in our dai-ly life  
 3. Let your ac - cep-tance change us, so that we may be moved  
 4. Lord, for to - day's en-coun-ters with all who are in need,



teach us as sis - ter, broth - er, each per - son to em-brace.  
 we strug - gle to be hu - man and search for hope and faith.  
 in liv - ing sit - u - a - tions to do the truth in love;  
 who hun - ger for ac - cep-tance, for righ-teous - ness and bread,



Be pres - ent, Lord, a - mong us, and bring us to be - lieve  
 Teach us to care for peo - ple, for all, not just for some,  
 to prac - tice your ac - cep-tance, un - til we know by heart  
 we need new eyes for see - ing, new hands for hold - ing on;



we are our - selves ac - cept-ed and meant to love and live.  
 to love them as we find them, or as they may be - come.  
 the ta - ble of for - give-ness and laugh - ter's heal - ing art.  
 re - new us with your Spir - it; Lord, free us, make us one!

# **Congregational Church of Topsfield**

## **Parish Care Ministry**

### **Prayer Listing Contact:**

Kim Itz at: [prayerlisting@topsfieldchurch.org](mailto:prayerlisting@topsfieldchurch.org)

### **Healing Scripture:**

"And when Jesus went out He saw a great multitude; and He was moved with compassion for them, and healed their sick ....." Matthew 14:14

### **Healing Prayer:**

Dear Lord, I ask you to turn this weakness into strength, suffering into compassion, sorrow into joy, and pain into comfort for others. May your servants trust in your goodness and hope in your faithfulness, even in the middle of this suffering. Let all be filled with patience and joy in your presence as they wait for your healing touch.

### **Please Pray For:**

Doug McIlvaine - Member of CCOT  
Jane Moyer - Member of CCOT  
Diana Titus - Member of CCOT  
Cheryl Hopkins - Member of CCOT  
Joyce Talbot - Member of CCOT  
Abby Bowling - Member of CCOT  
Susan Gruber - Member of CCOT  
Dennis Heslet- Member of CCOT  
Jane Jones - Member of CCOT  
Larry Atkins - Member of CCOT  
Fred Parker - Member of CCOT  
Jacob Itz - Son of Kim & Charlie Itz  
David Muise & Family- Family of Kim Itz  
Jack Whelan - Brother of Steve Whelan  
Steve Hoover - Son of Carol & Fred Hoover  
Doug Gruber - Brother of Susan Gruber  
Mark Gosbee - Son of Judi & Gary Gosbee  
Roger Talbot - Husband of Joyce Talbot  
Lynn Barnes - Sister in law of Jim Barnes  
Jim Quinlivan- Dad of Julie Quinlivan  
Laura Whelan - Daughter in law of Steve & Sandy Whelan  
Chloe – Great-great-niece of Diana Titus

Phil and Marilyn Knowles - Parents of Scott Knowles  
Kevin Goldenbogen - Former Youth Leader at CCOT  
Trish Hudson - Former member of CCOT  
Maria Cecilia Guerra - Sister of José Guerra  
Eva - Friend of Irina Günzel-Guerra from Norway  
Andrea Sommer & Family - Relatives of Irina Günzel Guerra  
Sean Enos - Son of neighbor of Jane & Bruce Jones  
Bobby Duchano - Friend of Charles Mathison  
GML - Friend of Judi & Gary Gosbee  
Phil Sinaikin - Friend of Christa & Martin Riekert  
Rick Anderson - Friend of CCOT  
Kay - Family friend of Ellie Losee  
Pete - Friend of Charlotte & Duane Melling  
Nancy Woolford - Friend of CCOT  
Margie & Vince Castellanet - Neighbors of Jane & Bruce Jones

