

# Pawtucket Congregational Church, UCC

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Rev. Peggy O'Connor, Interim Pastor

We welcome all!

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday, July 31, 2011, 10 am

Elements with \*, stand as you are able.

Prelude, Margaret Smith, Music Director

Welcome

Call to Worship:

Leader: Rejoice and celebrate the life God has given you. Open your eyes and see Christ's presence in our midst.

**All: Our eyes shall be opened! The present will have new meaning, and the future will be bright with hope.**

Leader: Rejoice, people of God and prepare your hearts and souls to worship our God who is our wisdom and strength.

**All: We place ourselves before our God, that we may be touched and cleansed by the power of God's spirit.**

Hymn: \* Congregational Choice

Prayer of Invocation (Unison)

**God of all people and all creation, we come before You today to ask for the healing of our hungry, hurting, and war-weary world. We come confessing our deep division and our failure to make peace a priority in our hearts, our families, our communities, our nation and in our world. We kneel in our hearts. We come in prayer. Our sorrow for lives lost and hearts broken overwhelms us. We turn to You and ask You to make us agents of Your peace. Amen.**

*Rev. Joan Brown Campbell 2007*

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer

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.

Gloria Patri \*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen, Amen.

Announcements

Reading of Scripture: Genesis 18:1-8

Sermon: **Women in the Bible**

Hymn: Congregational Choice

(Prayer requests collected during this hymn)

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Response

NCH #283

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.

Gathering of Gifts

Doxology \*

NCH #785

We give you but your own, whate'er the gift may be;

All that we have is yours alone, we give it gratefully.

Prayer of Dedication \*

Hymn: \* Congregational Choice

Benediction

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Prayers requested for: Phil Cogan, Christos Couturier & Family, Joyce Frazee, Val Gaudette, Elaine Ruggeira, Violet Thompson, and all in need of prayers.

Calendar:

Today	Liturgist: Wayne Russell Fellowship, Host: Joan Graham	11 am
Saturday	Thrift Shop (volunteers and shoppers welcome) Volunteers are still needed. See Gail Bartlett to volunteer for one or more Saturdays.	10-2 pm
Next Sunday:	Worship leader: RaeAnne Burton Pastor Peggy will be on vacation.	10 am
August 29-30	Soup Kitchen prep and serving. See Joan Graham.	