



Rangeley Congregational Church
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Rangeley, Maine

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An Open and Affirming Church
Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost

Mediation:

“The Bible is not an end in itself, but a means to bring men to an intimate and satisfying knowledge of God, that they may enter into Him, that they may delight in His Presence, may taste and know the inner sweetness of the very God Himself in the core and center of their hearts.”

- Aiden Wilson Tozer

November 16, 2025

10:00 AM

ORDER OF WORSHIP

OUR GATHERING AND PRAISE

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE

“Be Ok”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Welcome! Welcome to the baggage we carry, the joys we share, the griefs we bear, and the worries we hold.

People: Come! Let us worship!

Leader: The voice of God is calling us to come with all that we are and all that we carry to worship.

People: Come! Let us worship!

Leader: God calls us to gather, to receive grace in our gathering, and to reorient us again to the ways of God.

People: Come! Let us worship!

Leader: So, come, members of the family of God! Bring all that you are to be molded by grace, refocused toward love, and woven together as community in Christ.

People: Come! Let us worship! Thanks be to God. Amen.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*GATHERING HYMN #277 (NCH)

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

CALL TO CONFESSION

People: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love. We know our sins all too well as they play out every day. We have not loved you as deeply as our own comfort. We have failed to care for your community and for the whole of your creation. Forgive us.

According to your abundant mercy, forgive us and show us new ways. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and keep us whole. Free us to know joy and gladness and to live our days in praise. Amen.

Silent reflection on these words

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE

Romans 15:4-6

Hebrews 4:12-16

Ephesians 3:14-21

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SERMON *Ways of Finding Meaning, Part 3*

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #18 (NCH)

"Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer"

SERVICE OF PRAYER

PRAYER FOR ALL GOD'S PEOPLE

(As you name a joy or concern later in the prayer, please finish by saying "This is my prayer." The church family responds by saying "This is our prayer.")

We Pray for: Tony MacNaughton, Lois Zappulla, Sheila Raymond, Mark Whiteside, Carol Batchelder and family, Marlene Knowles' daughter-in-law Shannon Linder, Crystal Haley, Susan & Jack Tourtillotte, Maxie & AJ Elmes and their baby, Granger, Carol & Dan Perkins, Bill & Mary Richards, Kathy & Jim Wilcox, Heidi Ross, Tim & Sarah Johnson, Sue Downes and those serving in the Peace Corp: and finally, we pray for all those whose lives are impacted by natural disasters, violence, war, and those suffering from personal life challenges around the world and here at home.

PASTORAL PRAYER

OUR 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, sins, trespasses) as we forgive those who (sin, trespass) against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. AMEN.

CHORAL AMEN #812 (NCH)

“Threefold Amen”

SERVICE OF GIVING

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC

“Just As I Am”

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 #349 (NCH)

"I Come with Joy"

*THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE AND EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

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~Special thanks to all who contributed their time, talents and gifts for today's service:

- Pastor Scott Hatfield **for leading worship service**
- Rick Baker, **Liturgist**
- Linda Caspar, **Deacon of the Week**
- Lucy Simonds, **Zoomigo**
- Women's Fellowship, **Coffee Hour**
- Erin Smith, **Music Leader**

~This Week:

- Holly Fair will set up Nov 17-21, Barn & East Room
- Mahjong in the Barn, Nov 17, 1-3pm, Barn
- Deacons' Meeting, Nov 17, 4pm, East Rm & Zoom
- Mom & Baby Social Hour, Nov 20, 10am, Barn
- HOLLY FAIR, Nov 22nd, 10am -2pm

~Next Week:

- Missions, Leading worship, Nov 23
- HAPPY THANKSGIVING! Nov 27

COME ONE COME ALL



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22
10am - 2pm

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