

WORSHIP AT THE COLCHESTER FEDERATED CHURCH
February 5, 2017
8:30 and 10 a.m. Worship Services and Communion
Boy Scout Sunday and "Souper Sunday"

PRELUDE "Reverie" *Vierne*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE

INTROIT "Song of Gladness"
(10 a.m. service only)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come together, people of God. Come away, and let us center ourselves on God's presence.

We know that we – and you – and everyone, are welcome here.

Today we will hear Christ's invitation. Today we will hear of God's love.

We are called together as one body – united in this time of worship.

We are grateful for this sacred time, and ask God's blessings on us all.

ALL: Thank you, God!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, we know that you have to remind us, again and again, that through you we are made new people. We ask your forgiveness for those times when we have looked to the ways of the world, rather than your ways.

Forgive us when we have been distracted by things that don't really matter – when we fail to pay attention to your voice, your call. In these uncertain days we need more than ever to be obedient and faithful to your word.

Keep us free from fear and discouragement, that we may be your bold disciples and witnesses to what you are doing in the world. Help us to walk in love.

ALL: In the name of Christ, who showed us your love, we pray.

(Silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Through Christ's love and mercy we know God's forgiveness. We know we are always welcomed home, not as servants, but as sons and daughters. Praise be to God!

*HYMN "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #464

*INVOCATION

*GLORIA PATRI #579

CHILDREN'S TIME
(10 a.m. service only)

*HYMN "The Wedding Banquet" Insert
(10 a.m. service only)

SCRIPTURE Luke 14:16-24

MESSAGE "What do you do when you're invited?"

*HYMN "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" #298

JOYS AND CONCERNS; PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who 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. Amen.

