## **West Newbury Congregational Church**

February 12, 2012 Rev. Cynthia Batten, Minister Parsonage: 429-2869 Judy Vaughan, Organist

### **Order of Worship**

**Prelude** "Prelude on Irish Melody" C.V. Stanford

#### **Greetings and Announcements**

Introit "Dark of Winter" Schelley J. Dennam

#### Call to Worship

We come seeking the holy love of God, that we may become whole and loving.

As Jesus Christ shared life on earth, through Christ we may share the life of God, in growing holiness, justice and love.

In awe, faith and thanksgiving, let us rejoice in God's presence and share God's life!

Let us worship God.

\*Hymn (red) #228 or (blue) #648 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

### **Unison Prayer**

Steadfast Lover of humanity, we come to You as those who search for ways to love more wisely, more genuinely, more steadily. We seek to base our lives on the love of Christ, that from day to day we may be passionate and patient, faithful and forgiving, in loving one another and this world of many peoples. Through your Spirit, build your church into a living temple, a sign of your presence on earth, through Jesus Christ, our foundation. We pray in Christ's name and as He taught

The Lord's Prayer (trespasses)

\*Gloria Patri #513 (red)

**Youth Time** 

**Anthem** "There Was Jesus by the Water" Rusty Edwards

#### **Sharing of Joys and Concerns**

#### The Call to Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord Most High.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Let us now humble ourselves before God and each other.

Compassionate God, we acknowledge our brokenness and our inability to heal ourselves by human will and way. You alone can make the wounded whole; You alone can heal the diseases of spirit, soul or body and restore us to our intended balance. We ask your help to let go of all that would keep us from hearing your word to us today, or from making a ready response to You in mind and spirit, heart and body, that our obedience may honor You and heal our lives.

## **Silent Prayer**

#### **Prayer Response**

Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord, Incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace. Amen.

#### **Call to Offering**

**Offertory** "Musette" Handel

\*Doxology # 515 (red)

#### \*Prayer of Dedication

Through our offerings, we proclaim our concern for all people. We identify with their suffering and grief and we rejoice when good comes to them. We ask You to bless and multiply our material resources, our time and effort and use them for Christ's work in the world. Amen.

\*Hymn (blue) # 585 "Be Still and Know"

Old Testament Reading 2 Kings 5: 1-15

Gospel Reading Mark 1: 40 - 45

**Sermon** "Simple Choices, Lasting Results"

Hymn (blue) #444 "I Love to Tell the Story"

\*Benediction

**Postlude** 

### Deacons "on call" for February

Patsy Cole 802-429-2123 John Nininger 802-429-2490

The Sunday School children are still collecting RETURNABLE BOTTLES AND CANS Please place them in the blue bucket Benefits the Heifer Project

Please power off your cell phones during worship as they interfere with the sound system

<sup>\*</sup>Those who are able may stand

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Feb. 13 <sup>th</sup> 19 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 a.m.	Bible Study at parsonage Blood pressure checks after worship
22 <sup>nd</sup>		Ash Wednesday – beginning of Lent
26 <sup>th</sup>		First Sunday in Lent Birthday and anniversary celebration Visitation from Grafton-Orange Association team
27 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p.m.	Cabinet meeting at parsonage
29 <sup>th</sup>		Rev. Cindy will attend Clergy Day at NH Conference UCC in Pembroke, NH

Choir practice is every Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. All voices are welcome to join in and make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

# Visit the church's website at <a href="www.WestNewburyChurch.org">www.WestNewburyChurch.org</a>

# Lenten Worship services at 7 p.m. at

Feb. 26 <sup>th</sup>	Bradford Congregational, Rev. Caldwell preaching
March 4 <sup>th</sup>	Grace Methodist, Bradford, Rev. Batten preaching
March 11 <sup>th</sup>	OLPH, Bradford, Rev. Lapinzyck preaching
March 18 <sup>th</sup>	Piermont Congregational, Fr. Vincent preaching
March 25 <sup>th</sup>	West Newbury, Mal Kircher preaching