



*West Newbury  
Congregational Church*

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October 23, 2011  
Sue Cole, Student Minister  
Order of Worship

**Prelude**

**Greetings and Announcements**

**Introit**      *Father We Thank Thee for the Night"*

**Call to Worship**

"Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked  
or take the path that sinners tread;"

**Our delight is in the law of God.**

You are like trees planted by the water,

**for God watches over the way of the righteous!**

Let us gather now in fellowship and celebration.

**Let us now worship God.**

\*Hymn (red) #370 *"He Leadeth Me"*

**Unison Prayer**

God of love, we look for you in all places every hour of every  
day. We fear we may not find you. Yet you are with us every  
moment, with your love. Your law runs through the center of  
our beings. Teach us to find your love within us. Teach us to  
find the true freedom and joy that comes from trusting in your  
way. Be present among us today as we celebrate your love.

We pray together as Jesus taught, saying...

**The Lord's Prayer (trespasses)**

**\*Gloria Patri #513 (red)**

**Youth Time**

**Responsive Reading: Psalm 90 p. 529 (red)**

**Anthem      *"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"***

**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.**

Loving and Gracious God, we look for answers to our sometimes complicated lives. Yet we are surprised by the simplicity we encounter. Show us what it means to love you and to love our neighbor. Remind us that we are not alone. Remind us that when we walk in faith we have your love and glory to sustain and comfort us. Next to your greatness our troubles may shrink and become less ominous. We thank you for your constant care and presence in our lives.

**Silent Prayer**

**Prayer Response**

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

**Call to Offering**

**Offertory**

**\*Doxology (red) #515**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

Loving God, you have given us gifts beyond measure. We return a small portion of these to care for our neighbor, and dedicate it to your use. Amen.

**\*Hymn (blue) # 635 *"In the Garden"***

**New Testament Reading: Thessalonians 2:1-8**

**Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:34-46**

**Sermon "By Our Love"**

**\*Hymn (blue) #429 *"They'll Know We are Christians"***

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

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