

# GROVELAND CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, U.C.C.

Sunday, January 8, 2012

Second Sunday After Christmas

Welcome to the Groveland Congregational Church. Large print copies of the bulletin and hymns for today are available from the ushers. If you are visiting us, please let the Deacon at the back of the sanctuary know if you would like to speak with the Pastor or a member of the Deacons. . There is child care for younger children in the nursery downstairs. Sunday school for children pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade will begin after the "Children's Moment".

Announcements [Please give your written announcement to the Deacon before the service begins.]

Welcome

Prelude *Lac Qui Parle* David N. Johnson

Call to Worship

Leader: The powerful voice of God created all worlds.  
That same voice calls us to worship.

**People: Ascribe to our God glory and strength.  
Come before God's glorious majesty.**

Leader: God's strength shakes the wilderness.  
That same strength is offered to people of faith.

**People: The flames of God penetrate our cold hearts.  
May God bless all people with true peace.**

Leader: Come together to remember your baptism.  
Gather to celebrate the Spirit's gifts.

**People: The heavens open to us at the Word of God.  
Surely God forgives and makes whole.**

+ Hymn *Crashing Waters at Creation* #326

+Prayer of Invocation

**In the beginning, O God, you fashioned a universe. Each star and planet had its beginning in you. Out of the void, you brought light and life. Through eons of creativity, you have acted, and today we are here, inheritors of an amazing process, tiny specks in the limitless reaches of time and space. And you are here, waiting to greet us. As you acted in our baptism, you are acting still to make all things new within us and among us. Let your light awaken us and your Spirit empower us for faithful living. Amen.**

+Gloria Patri [Words to the "Gloria" are found inside back cover of the Hymnal]

Anthem *River in Judea* Marus/Feldman, arranged by Leavitt

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

[Please use slips provided in the pew to legibly **print** your joys/concerns to be included in the Pastoral prayer.]

Pastor: God be with you

**People: And also with you**

Pastor: Let us pray

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer [Our Father who art in heaven...debts and debtors... Amen.]

Prayer Response #168 verse 1

Children's Moment *One Out of a Hundred*

+Hymn *Many and Great, O God, Are Your Works* #3

Invitation to Offering

Offertory *Wie Schön Leuchtet der Morgenstern* Georg Phillip Telemann

+Doxology [Words are found inside back cover of the Hymnal]

+Prayer of Consecration

Scripture Mark 1:4-11

Sermon *Crossover Point*  
Debra Adams, Guest

+ Hymn *The Baptist Shouts on Jordan's Shore* #115

+ Benediction  
Response #78 verse 3

Postlude *Postlude on "Kings of Orient"* Gordon Young  
[Please feel free to leave during the postlude.]

+ indicates to stand if you are able



The altar arrangement is donated by Priscilla and Russ Styer

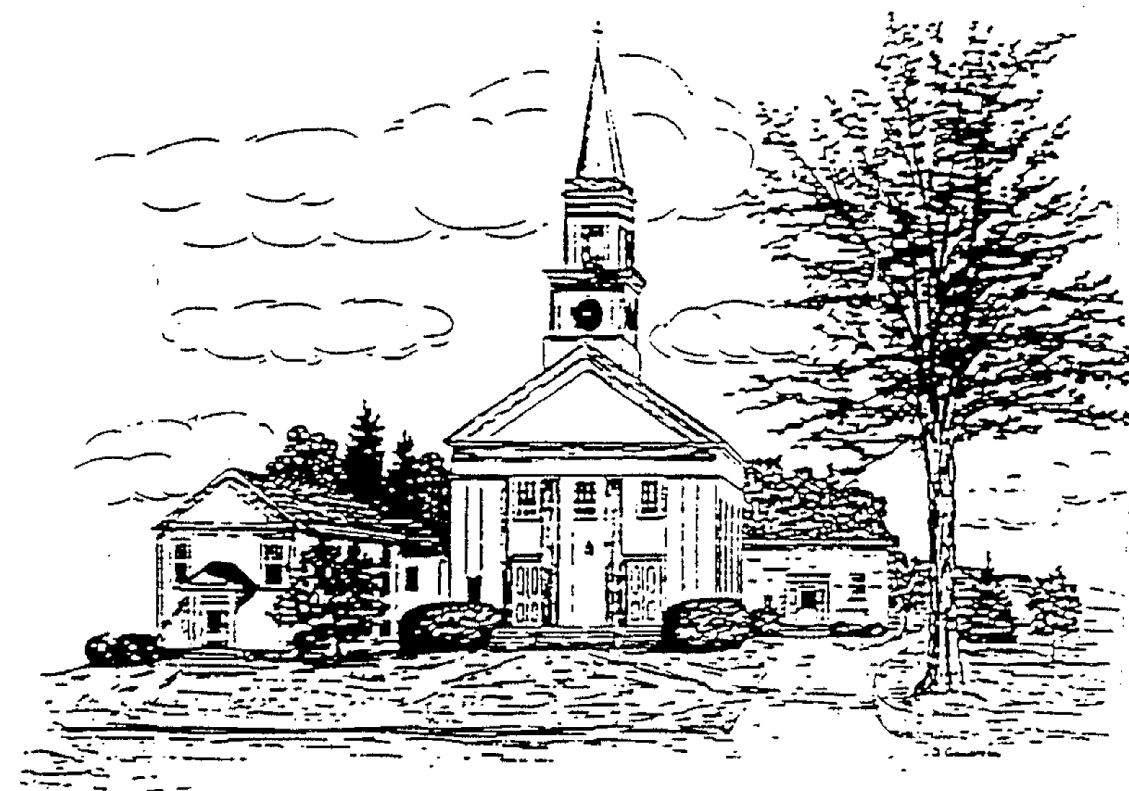


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*This morning we welcome Debra Adams to the pulpit.  
 Debra is the Minister of Education at Pilgrim Church, UCC in Lexington, MA*

Deacon Team: Doug Latham and Renae Vater  
 Ushers: Jane and Ed Binder  
 Wayne Fairbanks and David Balford

This Week				Next Week			
Sun	1/8	8:15 9:20 10:00 11:00  7:00	Chime Choir Sunshine Choir Worship Stewardship Meeting (MH) Nominating Meeting (SS classroom) Boy Scout Troop Committee Meeting	Sun	1/15	8:15 9:20 10:00	Chime Choir Sunshine Choir Worship
Mon	1/9	7:00	PPP Committee	Mon	1/16	4-6	Church offices closed Youth Group preparing Emmaus Meal
Tue	1/10	6:30 7:00	Cub Scouts (MH) Missions (FH) Finance Committee (off site)	Tue	1/17	7:00	Faith Circle (FH) Boy Scout PLC (MH)
Wed	1/11	8:00 6:30 7:30	Thrift Shop Jr. Choir Sr. Choir	Wed	1/18	8:00 6:30 7:30	Thrift Shop Jr. Choir Sr. Choir <b>Bell deadline</b>
Thu	1/12	7:00	Boy Scouts Trustees Meeting	Thu	1/19	7:00  7:15	Boy Scouts Buildings and Grounds Deacons
Fri	1/13			Fri	1/20		
Sat	1/14	8:00	Thrift Shop	Sat	1/21	8:00	Thrift Shop



*Walking with God*

*Growing in Faith*

*Compassion for All*

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