

WELCOME TO IONA

We are pleased to gather together for worship today. Join us after the service for fellowship time. If you wish more information on our congregation, please speak to the duty elder or the minister.

Pastoral information cards are located in the front of the hymn books.

Interim Moderator: The Rev. Dr. PA (Sandy) McDonald

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We gather on the unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people. Peace and Friendship Treaties with the Mi'kmaq bind us together as we strive for healing and reconciliation. We offer thanks for their stewardship of this good earth!

Pentecost 3, June 22, 2025, 10:00 am

Graduate Sunday

Communion Sunday

Greeting Elder: Perry Mason

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP

(Please stand, if able, as the worship leader enters and then be seated.)

Prelude: (Time for prayer and silent reflection)

Greeting: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

The Ministry of God's People

APPROACH TO THE WORD

***Choral Introit 292:** "Father I adore you"

***Call to Worship**

***Hymn 328:** "This is my Father's world"

Prayer of Adoration and Confession:

O God of love, we give you our thanks for making us and placing us in your beautiful world. Forgive us when we are unkind to others and when we use your gifts carelessly.

O God of love, we are grateful for the life, kindness and teachings of Jesus, whose dying and rising brought us the blessing of new life. Forgive us when we sidestep the teachings of Jesus.

O God of love, we are thankful for your Holy Spirit which helps us to love you and to love one another. Forgive us when we ignore your guiding hand and follow our own pathway. Teach us, Lord, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost; to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labour and not to ask for any reward, save that of knowing that we

do your will. Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy upon us. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

*** Children's hymn 655:** "Give me oil in my lamp"

Honoring our 2025 Graduates

HEARING THE WORD

First Reading: 1Kings 19:1-15

Psalm Reading: Psalm 42: 1-5, 8; Psalm 43: 3-4

Epistle: Galatians 3:23-29

Gospel: Luke 8 :26-39

One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God**

*** Hymn 644:** "May the mind of Christ my Saviour"

Sermon

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Offering followed by The Doxology (sung # 830)

***Affirmation of Faith:** *Apostles' Creed* (#539 in *The Book of Praise*)

***Prayer of Dedication**

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper 564

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors) (831)

***Hymn 457:** "Now thank we all our God"

***Commissioning and Benediction**

***Choral Amen**

Postlude

*** Please stand if able**

Large print hymnbooks are available on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

Thank you to the **Rev. Dr. PA (Sandy) McDonald** for leading the service this morning. Join us for lemonade after the service, hosted by **Hospitality and Community Life**.

Announcements:

06/22/2025

- **Sunday school** is finished for the summer
- **East Dartmouth Christian Foodbank**

The month of June has 5 Sundays. The Mission and Service Committee will be supporting the EDCFB by collecting food items during the month. Some suggestions include nonperishable protein (peanut butter, canned meat or fish etc.) hot Chocolate mix, pancake mix, syrup and rice. Thank you in advance for your support.