

Peacham Congregational Church
56 Church St., Peacham, VT 05862



We are an Open and Affirming Church

*No matter who you are
or where you are in life's journey,
you are welcome here.*

Order of Worship
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June 15, 2025, 9:30 a.m.
Guest Speaker: John Morris
Trinity Sunday

Welcome, Father's Day Recognition & Announcements

Prelude: "Come Ye Faithful" (St. Kevin) - Sir Arthur Sullivan (1872)

Call to Worship – From Fire & Bread - Trinity

Hymn: #96 – Creating God, Your Fingers Trace

Concerns & Celebrations, Pastoral Prayer
Incorporating Silent Prayer, Lord's Prayer

Prayer Response #278 - Hear Our Prayer, O God, Vs. 1

Hear our prayer, O God, Hear our prayer, O God,
Incline Your ear to us and grant us Your peace. Amen.

Anthem: On Wings of Song and Prayer

Offering & Missions

Offertory Music

Doxology #46 – Praise God from Whom....

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God for all that love has done;

Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

Unison Prayer of Dedication –

As we offer our treasure and hearts to you, O God, may they be used to pass on the promise of hope, of peace, of life, of community to all in need of your gifts and presence in their lives. Amen.

Hymn #529 – Let All Things Now Living

Reception of New Members (see insert)

Scripture Reading – Genesis 1:1-5

Musical Interlude

Sermon- "God-in-Three-Persons" Really?

Hymn: #367 Break Not the Circle

Benediction

Congregation Responds #378 – Vs. 4

Postlude Overture (Excerpts) from "The Gondoliers" - Sir Arthur Sullivan (1891)

Please join us for a time of fellowship in the social hall downstairs after the service.

Announcements:

June 15, John Morris is with us for today Trinity Sunday and we will be taking new members into the church.

6/22/25 9:30. – Rev. David Bullock

6/29/25 9:30 a.m. Ken Vos will be with us in the Social Hall to share his story, called, "Taking Charge". There will be a time for questions. Please join us!!

7/4/25 STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE ON THE COMMON

July 4th festivities with Tractor Parade,

Ministry.....Until we find a pastor or an interim pastor,
the deacons will handle all services.
Patty Gardner, the head deacon, can be reached at 413-883-2842.

Church Admin.....Patty Gardner
Treasurer.....Bruce Westcott
Collector.....Ann Goss
Accompanist Bruce Westcott
Sexton.....Jeff Lane
Church Council President & Moderator.. John Marshall
Web MinistryJonathan R. Potter

Deacons:

Susan Chandler Chris Danielson
Carolyn Deasy Patty Gardner
Anita Vann Rick Witt
Deacon Emeritus: Bruce Maclean

LiveStreaming @ www.peachamchurch.org
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Creating God, Your Fingers Trace

1. Cre - at - ing God, your fin - gers trace
 2. Sus - tain - ing God, your hands up - hold
 3. Re - deem - ing God, your arms em - brace
 4. In - dwell - ing God, your gos - pel claims

the bold de - signs of far - thest space;
 earth's mys - teries known or yet un - told;
 all now de - spised for creed or race;
 one fam - ily with a bil - lion names;

let sun and moon and stars and light
 let wa - ter's fra - gile blend with air,
 let peace, de - scend - ing like a dove,
 let ev - ery life be touched by grace

and what lies hid - den praise your might.
 en - a - bling life, pro - claim your care.
 make known on earth your heal - ing love.
 un - til we praise you face to face.

WORDS: Jeffery Rowthorn, 1974

MUSIC: Cornish carol, harm. Jeffrey Rickard, 1992

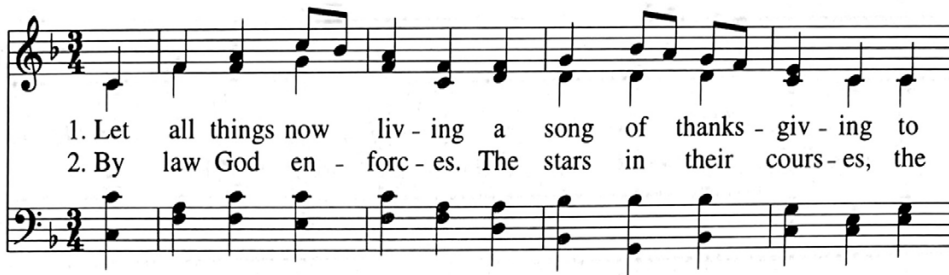
In praising the Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, Rowthorn speaks of the Trinity in contemporary language. Born in Wales, he is an ordained Episcopal clergyman, now Bishop at the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity in Paris, France.

CORNISH CAROL

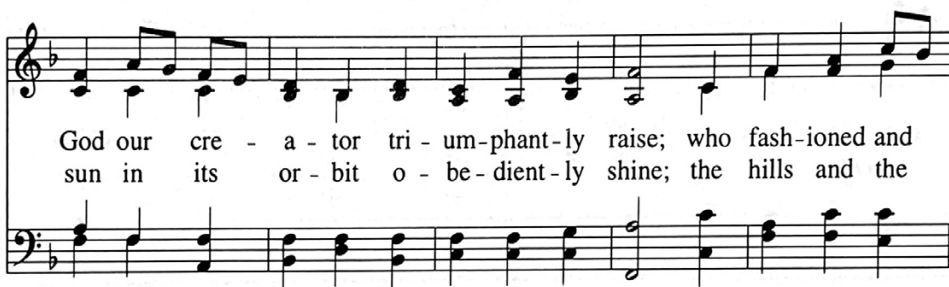
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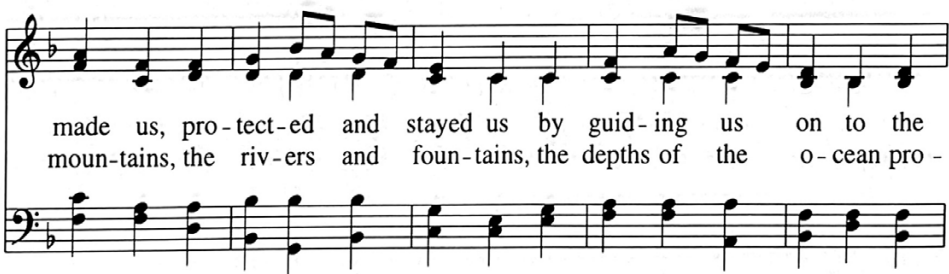
Let All Things Now Living



1. Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2. By law God en - forc - es. The stars in their cours - es, the



God our cre - a - tor tri - um-phant-ly raise; who fash-ioned and
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient-ly shine; the hills and the



made us, pro-lect-ed and stayed us by guid-ing us on to the
moun-tains, the riv-ers and foun-tains, the depths of the o - cean pro -



end of our days. God's ban - ners are o'er us, pure
claim God di - vine. We, too, should be voic - ing our

WORDS: Katherine K. Davis, 1939, alt.

MUSIC: Welsh folk melody; harm. Leland Sateren, adapt., *Contemporary Worship 4*, 1972

ASH GROVE

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Choralist Katherine Kennicott Davis wrote this text to be sung with this tune. She is best known as the writer/composer of 'The Little Drummer Boy,' written under a pseudonym.

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light goes be - fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing
love and re - joic - ing; with glad ad - o - ra - tion a


forth in the night: till shad-ows have van-ished, all fear - ful - ness
song let us raise till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks -

ban-ished, as for-ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
giv - ing: "To God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

Break Not the Circle

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Unison



1. Break not the cir - cle of en - a - bling love, where peo - ple
 2. Come, won - der at this love that comes to life, where words of
 3. Come, won - der at the Lord who came and comes to teach the
 4. Join then the move - ment of the love that frees, till peo - ple

grow, for - giv - en and for - giv - ing; break not that cir - cle, make it wid - er
 free - dom are with hu - mor spo - ken, and peo - ple keep no score of wrong and
 world the craft of hope - ful crav - ing for peace and whole - ness that will fill the
 of what - ev - er race or na - tion will tru - ly be them - selves, stand on their

still, till it in - cludes, em - brac - es all the liv - ing.
 guilt, but will that hu - man bonds re - main un - bro - ken.
 earth; he calls his peo - ple to cre - a - tive liv - ing.
 feet, see eye - to - eye with laugh - ter and e - la - tion.

WORDS: Fred Kaan, 1975
 MUSIC: Margaret R. Tucker, 1997

ROBERT
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Dutch by birth, Kaan has served English United Reformed churches.
 The tune ROBERT was written and named for FCC's Senior Minister
 (1971-1999), Robert H. Tucker, husband of the tune's composer.

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CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Unison Reading: [Psalm 116:12-14]

**¹² What shall I return to the Lord
for all his goodness to me?**

**¹³ I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the Lord.**

**¹⁴ I will fulfill my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people.**

Statement of Purpose

In the Name of Jesus the Christ, we are now to receive into full communion with the Church,

Diane

Address to Those to be Received

Here the words of Holy Scripture:

Live on in me, as I do in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit of itself apart from the vine, neither can you bear fruit apart from me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who live in me and I in them will bear abundant fruit [John 15:4-5a]

Charge to Those to Be Received

As a token of your membership in the Church Universal, do you now freely unite yourselves with the Peacham Congregational Church, promising to work and pray for its worship, its fellowship, and its service to others in Christ's name?

Response

I do.

Prayer of Consecration

Almighty God, we thank You for Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lived among us as Mentor and Teacher. We pray that those who now unite themselves with this Church may receive grace upon grace, enabling each to walk worthily as a follower of Jesus. Amen.

Declaration of Acceptance & Prayer by the Congregation

In the name of Jesus Christ, we receive and welcome you into the membership of this Church, in token of your membership in the Church Universal, and in symbol thereof, we extend to you the right hand of fellowship.

May God the Creator strengthen you, that Christ may dwell in your heart through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be filled with all the fullness of God. Amen.

New Members:

Rhoda Donovan spent her earliest years in Peacham and has been a facilitator of healing & transformation in the fields of counseling, education, life- coaching, speaking, writing. Rhoda is a believer in miracles, having experienced many firsthand & amongst others in the world...

Her best moments seem to be characterized by *awe for life*, and a quiet *awareness* of Inner Wisdom. She sees quality of life as a *moment-by-moment choice* that each of us, including herself, can improve, by practicing the skills of letting go, consciously re-focusing, and *re-determining* our present reality.

Rhoda recently moved back to VT, with creative ways of building community aimed to enrich her own life *along*, and *with* the lives of the people around her, including by helping start a musical instrument lending library; & (in progress) a program called, *SHOGO*, to allow more people from our area to get to shows and events together. She's grateful to be part of the Peacham community and looks forward to meeting you.

Nancy “Nan” Penley

Diane Travis grew up in Connecticut but has lived in many places along the east coast before finding a home here in the Northeast Kingdom five years ago. She works as an Assistant Manager at Aubuchon Ace Hardware in St. Johnsbury. Previously, Diane has worked in emergency medicine, higher education administration, early childhood education, wildlife rehabilitation, and event management. She has a Bachelor of Arts in neuropsychology from Hampshire College and a Masters of Library Science from the University of Maryland. Diane has two cats, Patten and Smudge. And she loves to read, collect books, craft, listen to music and podcasts, and spend time with friends.

Nan Woods

Ken Vos

Ken is a Minnesota farm boy who came East to attend New Brunswick Theological Seminary in New Jersey. After servicing Dutch Reform churches in Fishkill, NY and Hawthorne, NJ, Ken earned a Ph.D. in Philosophy at Columbia University. He came to Lyndon State College (now Northern Vermont University) to be its first professor in Philosophy, and he held that position for 32 years until retiring in 1999. Ken lives in Sheffield with his wife, Francie.

Associate Members:

Kalanani Gallas

Dart Thalman