



*An Open & Affirming, Creation Justice
Congregation of the United Church of Christ*

4 June 2023 – 10:30 AM
PRIDE SUNDAY

***indicates the congregation is invited to stand.
Please feel free to remain seated if you prefer.**

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Matt Broadbent

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(from the *Bylaws, Peace UCC, 2020*)

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One: We have covenanted to live as an Open and Affirming congregation of the UCC,

All: Welcoming people of all sexual orientations and gender identities into the full life, membership, leadership and employment of this church.

One: We seek to live as a multi-cultural, multi-racial, intergenerational community,

All: Attempting to break down the barriers of separation between communities based on race, sex, age, culture, language, class and other social differences, celebrating our diversity while affirming our unity in Christ.

*GREETING IN PEACE

*SONG (see hymn sheet)

God of Change and Glory

Al Carmines

OPENING PRAYER

Lisa Hoelsing

SPIRITUAL PROMPTS

Matthew 28:16-20 - NRSV

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Genesis 1:1-5, 31 NRSV

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When God began to create^[a] the heavens and the earth, the earth was complete chaos, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God^[b] swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. ...God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

SONG

Let the words of my mouth and my heart's meditation,
be acceptable to you, O Lord.

**Let the words of our mouths and our hearts meditation,
be acceptable to you, O Lord.**

MEDITATION

God Bless Our Ordinary Days

Matt Broadbent

SONG

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

Jim Manley

**Spirit, spirit of gentleness blow through the wilderness calling and free,
Spirit, spirit of restlessness stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation and Prayer of Consecration

Gathering Song

(Masithi:) Amen, si-ya-ku-du-mi-sa

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Amen, Bawo, Amen, Bawo,

Amen, si-ya-ku-du-mi-sa.

Distribution of the Elements by Intinction

Prayer of Thanksgiving

BENEDICTION

THUMA MINA

(Thuma mina)

Thuma mina, thuma mina, thuma mina somand'la

(Send me Lord)

Send Jesus, send me Jesus, send me Jesus, send me Lord

(Lead me Lord)

Lead me Jesus, Lead me Jesus, lead me Jesus, lead me Lord.

(Fill me Lord)

Fill me Jesus, Fill me Jesus, fill me Jesus, fill me Lord.