



Bethel

CONGREGATIONAL
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Born of Love

Shaped by Grace

Transformed for Service

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Order of Worship

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*Indicates an invitation to stand as you are able.
The congregation is invited to respond with the words printed in BOLD.
Hearing devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher.
Please turn off the ringtone on your cell phone.

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

One: Welcome to this house of worship! This is one of the few places where all people are honored and affirmed because God's love flows like a healing stream.

Many: **What a gift, what a God!**

One: God's Spirit is poured out on everyone, like a gentle rain!

Many: **What a gift, what a God!**

One: God's Spirit moves us with the power of a river strong!

Many: **What a gift, what a God!**

One: God's love is wide enough and deep enough to embrace us all, like a mighty sea!

Many: **What a gift, what a God!**



*Sing! #73 Like a Healing Stream

Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer (trespasses)

Holy God, thank you for being with us in all times and in all places. Our attention to you and our awareness of you ebbs and flows like the tide. We are grateful that you are faithful to us even when we struggle to be faithful to you. Set us free from whatever or whoever keeps us from being fully alive. Help us to trust that you have created us for a purpose, to lead meaningful lives that nurture and expand the gifts you've given each one of us. Knit us together now in the Spirit of Jesus who offered an ancient prayer, saying Our Father/Mother who art in heaven,

Special Music

Hymn Medley Handbell Choir

Moment for Stewardship Vivian Knudsen, Witnessing Steward

(Teachers and students are invited to depart for Sunday School Classes in Education Hall)

**Help me do the justice to be done today,
Help me love kindness in all I do and say,
Help me walk humbly with you, O God I pray,
Every step of the way, every step of the way!**

Prayers of the People

**Sharing Joys and Concerns
Quiet Prayer and Meditation
Pastoral Prayer**

Scripture Reading Luke 9:1-6

Sermon Meaning and Purpose: Coherence

*Hymn #495 Called as Partners in Christ's Service

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Impossible Dream Mark Clift

*Doxology #785
**We give you but your own, what e're the gift may be;
All that we have is yours alone, we give it gratefully!**

*Prayer of Dedication

Holy Communion - All are welcome at Christ's table!
*This morning we will receive communion by Intinction which means "dipping."
Bread and gluten-free round wafers may be dipped in grape juice (silver chalice);
or wine (earthen chalice). Those seated in the back of the sanctuary are invited to
come forward first via the center aisle. You may visit either station. As you receive
the bread and the cup, you are invited to respond with silence or the phrase,
"thanks be to God." Return to your seat via the side aisles.*

*Hymn #562 Take My Gifts

*Benediction

Postlude

Mission Statement

- While our Christian faith is 2000 years old, our thinking is not.
- We are a people on a faith journey where grace abounds.
- We celebrate God's still speaking voice revealed in our world today.
- We worship God, share the life and teachings of Jesus Christ and practice God's unconditional love for all creation.
- We act on our faith to achieve needed works of service, justice, love and kindness.
- We support one another, celebrating our roots and enthusiastically embracing our evolving future.
- We are an open and affirming congregation welcoming all in God's family wherever each is in life's journey.

Birthdays This Week

Rowland French 11/13
Samantha Marsden 11/13
Christine Kaiser 11/13
Diane Imel 11/15
Steve Unangst 11/18
John Fernandes 11/18

Today's Worship Leaders

Reader—Nikki Manley-Smith
Flowers—Susan & Peter Bauer
Ushers—George Patch (Head), Christine Erickson, Barbara Hess, Greg Johnson
Coffee—HomePerk
Food—Keniston Doughnuts
Open and Close—Linda Timmel
Sound—Soren Knudsen, Tim Galvan
Nursery—Meredith Gordon, Nancy Hilbrick
Elementary—Jim Butler
Youth—Ken Ruse, Amy Tobey

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