



July 17, 2022

**10:30am Summer Worship in the Grove
Baptism
Blessing of the Animals**

***GUESTS,** Welcome to our faith community here at Union UCC. To learn more about us please visit our website at www.unionucc.org or like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/unionneffs.*

Please complete the Welcome Card in the racks in front of you or at the welcome tables and hand it in with your offering or give it to a pastor. This is a good way to let us know you're here.

***NEW MEMBERS:** To share your questions and interest in learning more about our church family or to join our church please contact Pastor Kris at pastorkris@unionucc.org or 610-767-6961.*

One of our core values as a church is extravagant welcome and hospitality. We believe in God's inclusive love. No matter who you are or where you on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Lay Reader: Tammi Wassum

Ushers: Donna Christman, Brian Horwith, Deb Wenner, Dan Haftl, Maryann Puia, Eric Minnich, Gloria Toner, Carol Stout

Sound: Doug Albert/ Dawn Dengler

***Please stand in body or spirit.**

Prelude Music

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus George Duffield, Jr.,
George J. Webb

Prayerful Reflection

Blessed are you, faced with the impossible.
You who do not take your eyes away
from what threatens to swallow you whole.
You who stare down reality,
though your heart quickens.

You for whom action comes swiftly,
as you chart the next step
or bulldoze a new path yourself.
You know how to turn hope into action.

And blessed are you who,
when you've come to the end of what is possible,
find the courage to live there too.

Blessed are we, who are learning
how to hope. and how to let go.
when to act. and when to stop.

Balancing the impossibility of so much love
and so much to fear.
Together.

Amen.

*Blessing by author Kate C. Bowler from podcast interview
with Katie Couric*

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Welcome

Sharing God's Peace

Leader: How have you known God's love this week? How
have you been God's peace? Where have noticed God?

Are there God stories that you can reflect on or share with your neighbors as we remind each other that – No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey:

ALL: You are welcome here.

(Please stand in body or spirit to greet each other and for our first song.)

***Hymn: #451 Be Now My Vision—New Century Hymnal (black)**

**Be now my vision, O God of my heart;
Nothing surpasses the love you impart
You my best thought, by day or by night
Waking or sleeping, your presence my light.**

**Be now my wisdom, and be my true word;
Ever within me, my soul is assured;
Mother and Father, you are both to me,
Now and forever your child I will be.**

**Riches I need not, no life’s empty praise;
You, my inheritance, no and always;
You and you only are first in my heart,
Great God, my treasure, may we never part.**

**Sovereign of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven’s joy, O bright heaven’s Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever be fall
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.**

Please be seated.

Call to Worship

Leader: We may be thirsty and parched, like an un-watered garden, so we come into God’s presence:

ALL: The Divine One is a spring of water!

Leader: We may be weary from worry and work so we come into God’s presence:

ALL: The Holy One offers us Sabbath rest!

Leader: We may be lost or confused

so we come into God's presence:
ALL: The Wise One offers us welcome and guidance!

Leader: We may be bent over with struggle or pain
So we come into God's presence:

ALL: The Healing One empowers us to stand strong!

Prayer

Leader: O God of all goodness,
you welcome us, forgive us and heal us.
You seek us out from places where we have hidden from you.
You crown us with steadfast love and mercy.
Reveal yourself to us in this moment.
Let us know your presence so that we may bless you:
Bless you, O God!
Bless your holy name! Amen.

The Opening of Our Hearts

Leader sings first time.
ALL second time. Listen for directions to sing this in a round.

Gathering Chant #742 Black Hymnal (New Century Hymnal)

1.
Gath - ered here in the mys-tery of this hour

3 2.
gath - ered here in one strong bod - y,

5 3.
gath - ered here in the strug-gle and the power,

7 4.
Spir - it draw near.

Mornings with Ms. Tiffany 10:30am Worship

Pastors invite children forward to leave with Ms. Tiffany for a time designed just for them! This time will include a variety of activities that will change weekly. It will be including things such as reading stories, watching videos, crafts, movement, music, and lots of fun!

Children will be at the gazebo and will return before worship is over. If worship ends early, parents are welcome to meet their children over by the garden.

Chords: F, C/E, Dm, Bb, F/A, Gm, Am/C, C, F, Gm, Am, Bb, F/C, Bb, F

Voice: This, this is where child-ren be - long,
Wel- comed as part of the wor - ship - ping throng.
Wat - er, God's Word, bread and cup, pray'r and song,
This is where child - ren be - long.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Hailey James Heyer, child of Rachel Wieller and William Heyer III.

Sponsors: Dray Wieller and Ariel Wieller

Ashley Marie Kochmaruk, child of Kristina and Adam Kochmaruk

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

All: We promise our love, support, and care.

Celtic Alleluia O'Carroll and Walker #613 With One Voice

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major, 3/4 time. The melody is a simple, rhythmic tune. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff ends with a repeat sign, and the second staff continues the melody.

Scripture The Gospel of Luke 10:38-42

38Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. 39She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. 40But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." 41But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; 42there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

Our Response to God's Word in Song

Make Us One, Lord Carol Cymbala **ALL: Sung, 2 times**

Make us one, Lord, make us one; Ho-ly

The image shows the first line of musical notation for the song 'Make Us One, Lord'. It is in G major, 4/4 time. The melody is simple and rhythmic. The lyrics are written below the notes.

6 Spir - it; make us one. Let Your love flow so the

The image shows the second line of musical notation for the song 'Make Us One, Lord'. It is in G major, 4/4 time. The melody is simple and rhythmic. The lyrics are written below the notes.

9 world will know we are one in You. Make us

The image shows the third line of musical notation for the song 'Make Us One, Lord'. It is in G major, 4/4 time. The melody is simple and rhythmic. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Message

What Should We Do?

Pastor Kayli Freeman

Prayers of the People

The LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

For ever. Amen.

There's a Spirit of Love in This Place



1. There's a spir - it of love in this place, there's a
(2. There's the) pres - ence of peace in this room, there's the



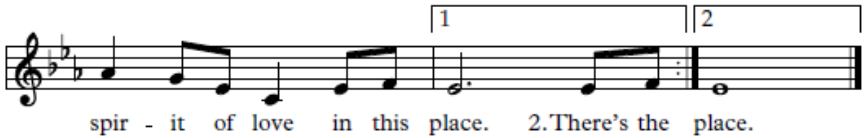
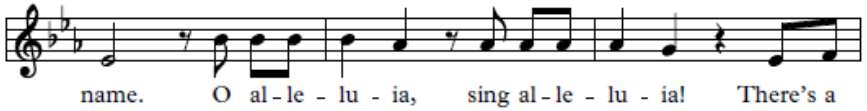
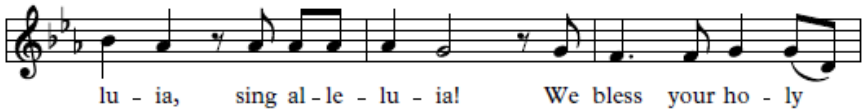
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pres - ence of peace in this room. In God's



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ten-der-ness is found peace that pass - es hu-man bounds. There's the



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Blessing of the Animals Prayer

One: We gather here today in the beauty of creation and give thanks that we have been made partners in the caretaking of this world. We gather here today alongside the creatures of the earth; Those that fly overhead, Those that creep below on the ground, Those who bring joy to our homes, Those that fill us with awe and delight.

ALL: We gather here today as a part of creation, filled with the breath of God and made of the dust of the earth.

One: May God bless the animals of the earth and sea and air with security of habitat, plentiful food and clean water. May God bless creatures that are endangered with our concern and protection. May God bless our efforts to ensure that no creature is exploited or forgotten.

ALL: We ask God's blessings for all creatures of the earth, those known to us and those yet to be discovered.

One: May God bless the animals that provide service to us. Protect animals that assist our police and armed forces, as well as those who serve the blind and those with physical or mental illness.

ALL: We ask God's blessing for the interdependent web of creation, and to make us mindful of all the ways we de-

pend on animals.

One: May God bless companion animals. We give thanks for the comfort, play, and joy they bring us. May God bless the memories of beloved pets that have died.

ALL: We ask God to keep all of creation in divine arms of redemptive love.

One: May God make us instruments of God's peace;

ALL: Where there is hatred, let us sow love; Where there is injury, pardon; Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair, hope; Where there is darkness, light; Where there is sadness, joy.

One: Let us be a consoling, understanding, loving, and forgiving people toward all of God's creation.

A Time of Blessing of the Animals

Please bring your pet forward to one of the pastors for a blessing.

If you brought a picture or a stuffed animal or would like to come forward to represent your pet, we can provide a blessing for that as well.

News about the Ministry and Mission of God's Church

Offering

When we worship in the sanctuary the offering will be collected by our ushers in your seats.

When we worship outside in the grove the offering is collected at the welcome tables when you arrive or leave worship.

Thank you for the many ways in which you support God's work and God's people.

**Musical Offering
I'll Fly Away**

Albert E. Brumley



401(g) Discipleship Portfolio

How are your summer faith investments doing?

In a 401(k) one invests resources for the future and retirement.
In a 401(g) (g=God) we are investing in our spiritual lives hoping for short and long term returns (blessings!), on earth as in heaven.

401(g) Ways to Invest in Loving God, Neighbor, & Self Wholeheartedly:

g = God - worship, prayer, meditation, study, relationship. ALL the g's!

g = good - do good/serve, create goodness, notice goodness.

g = grace - receive and share God's grace.

g = gratitude - express gratitude to God and others.

g = generosity - give and love with your whole heart and life.

g = gold - money, resources, treasures, material goods.

g = goals - hopes and dreams, God's dream and mission.

g = gifts—talents, friendship, compassion, kindness, love, fruits of the spirit, your passions and the world's needs intersect.

g = grit and grind - perseverance, patience, hope, trust, courage, strength, growth, meaning, purpose.

From Pastor Kris and the Financial Leadership Team:
Don Penrod, Marianne Kitzmiller, John Harting, Rick Klingensmith, Larry Todd,
Aften Hamm, Phil Wehr



Donate to God's Mission and Ministry at UNION UCC OFFERING ENVELOPES. If you can't attend worship, you can mail your envelopes to the church. The church address is on one side, just add a stamp.

ELECTRONIC GIVING. Choose to give a repetitive contribution on a regular basis (i.e weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly), or make single contributions whenever you desire in an amount of your choice. These contributions can be made from a credit/debit card or be deducted from a checking or savings account. Electronic contributions are initiated from Union UCC's website (UnionUCC.org). Click on 'giving', then on 'Ways to Give' and follow the prompts. Feel free to contact John Harting (610-799-2508) or Don Penrod (610-398-2654) to answer your questions or demonstrate the process.

MOBILE GIVING. If you would like to give on the go, Vanco, the company that processes our e-giving transactions, has a mobile app that allows you to do so. Open

with a faith to suit you well;
I'll be there in case you wander off,
and find where demons dwell.

2. When you found the wonder of the Word,
I was there to cheer you on;
You were raised to praise the living God,
to whom you now belong.
Should you find someone to share your time,
and you join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk til
rising sun.

3. In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer
young,
I'll be there to guide you through the night,
complete what I've begun.
When the evening gently closes in,
and you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been with just one more
surprise

4. I was there to hear your borning cry,
I'll be there when you are old
I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life un-
fold.

Postlude Music

You Are My All in All

Denis Jernigan

*Portions of worship used from [www.ucc.org/worship/
worship-ways/](http://www.ucc.org/worship/worship-ways/)

EVIDENCE OF STEWARDSHIP LAST SUNDAY

Offering (e-giving, envelopes, and plate)	
Last Week	\$5,906.00
Calendar 2022 (Jan-May)	\$158,771.00
Calendar 2021 (Jan.-May)	\$152,924.00
Change from Last Year	+3.8%
Budget (July-May)	\$378,43000
Actual (July-May)	\$382,876.00
Giving vs. Budget	+1.2%
<i>Additional financial information available in Consistory Minutes</i>	

Attendance Last Week	
10:30 am (includes children)	75

2021 Donations to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank:	
Last Week:	400lbs,
Total YTD:	4,203 lbs, \$460

OGHS to date:	
Total :	\$485.00

Presentations to the Glory of God

Spread the Good News :

***Giving thanks for the music of Interrupted Silence-
Pastor Kris***

Be a sponsor for \$20, send to Union UCC through your offering envelope or online marked Spread the Good News or \$8 for Children's Bulletin.

Contact Marissa to sign up for a certain date or to sponsor in honor or memory of someone.

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