

Sunday, September 6, 2020
10:30 Online Worship/ Worship in the Grove

Thank you for wearing a mask and practicing 6 feet of social distancing.

As you arrive, please visit the welcome tables to:

- 1. Sign In – we will verify your name and phone number.**
- 2. Get a bulletin of the service or you can view it on your phone at :**



- 3. Share your offerings.**

GUESTS, Welcome to worship. To learn more about us, please visit our website at www.unionucc.org or like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/unionneffs . If you would like us to follow up with you contact Pastor Kris at 610-767-6961, pastorkris@unionucc.org

NEW MEMBERS: Our next new member information session will be held on **September 13 and 20** at 9:15-10am. These will be virtual meetings on Zoom where you can log in online or call in by phone. Please contact Pastor Kris or Marissa in the office if you'd like to join us. You only need to attend 1 of the 2 sessions. Pastor Kris is also glad to schedule a phone call or zoom session individually with you to get to know you and answer your questions. You will be welcomed as members in worship on **Sunday, September 27.**

We believe in extravagant welcome. We believe in God's inclusive love. We start worship with a greeting that reflects that welcome and love.

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Ushers: Donna Christman

Sound: Karl Klinger, Drew Panner

PRELUDE

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus
George J. Webb

George Duffield, Jr.,

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

L No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey and faith's journey

C You are welcome here.

HYMN

BLACK HYMNAL # 436 God of Grace and God of Glory

**1. God of grace and God of Glory,
on your people pour your power;
Crown your ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.**

**Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.**

**2. From the evils that surround us
And assail the Savior's ways,
From the fears that long have bound us-
Free our hearts for faith and praise.**

**Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the living of these days, for the living of these days.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

L We step into this new day listening to God's great story. We make ready for God's freedom. We step into new purposes for the church with the light of God before us. We step into new purposes for our lives as we taste God's reminders of hope. We make ready for God's freedom.

PRAYER

LGreat God, we move into this time and space with our sight and sense of smell, with our listening and our touch, with our hearts and our minds, so that we may live inside your stories. Help us remember who we are as your children as we celebrate the purpose you give us as your people. Amen.

OUTDOOR WORSHIP- CHILDREN'S TIME

Or Watch for Mrs. Bonsell on Facebook and our YouTube Channel During the Week

SCRIPTURE

The Shared Hebrew Scriptures Exodus 12:1–14

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you

on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

MESSAGE

Free to Be You and Me

Pastor Kris Snyder-Samuelson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and 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,
forever. Amen.**

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

Outside Worship Offering – we will not be collecting your offerings during the service. Please plan to share them at the welcome table as you arrive or as you leave worship. Thank you for being the church with us!

MUSICAL OFFERING

Bach Cello Suite No. 3 in C Major– Prelude

Graham Smith, cello

Donate to God's Mission and Ministry at UNION UCC

OFFERING ENVELOPES you can mail your envelopes to the church. The church address is on one side, just add a stamp.

ELECTRONIC GIVING **This is a great time to try e-giving!** Choose a weekly, semi-monthly or monthly donation to be transferred electronically. Fill out the form at

<http://www.unionucc.org/egive.pdf> and return it to the church office. financialmanager@unionucc.org

DONATE ONLINE with your Credit or Debit Card

Go to <http://www.unionucc.org/resources/giving-and-sponsorship/ways-to-give/> and click **GIVE ONLINE**.

AMAZON SMILE Donate to Union UCC, Neffs (Search by zip code 18065) while you shop at Amazon. <https://smile.amazon.com>.

BLESSING

L We often bless our backpacks at this time of year. Since this is such a weird September, let's seek God's blessing on everyone and everything.

Respond to each line after me and when you do, look for a neighbor around you or a friend across the grove, or look at the camera to your church family in live worship or at home online worship and bless them.

We miss handshakes and hugs and greeting each other more closely. Send out the I Love You sign from Sign Language or the peace sign, or make a first bump or air high five, or bow to each other or do a Kung Fu Salute which represents balance and harmony.

L Bless us, O God, as we seek to love you and others with our whole heart, soul, strength and mind.

C Bless us and all for whom we pray, O God. (with hand motion blessing)

L Bless our backpacks, lunch bags, laptops, WiFi, virtual gatherings, and all the new learning we experience in school, at home, at church, and in life.

C Bless us and all for whom we pray, O God. (with hand motion blessing)

L Bless our family and friends, our neighbors and community, our church and schools, our nation, world and our earth.

☉ Bless us and all for whom we pray, O God. (with hand motion blessing)

☾ Bless our masks and our social distancing that we hope will help us get through this time. Help us to see each other behind the masks, helps to see you behind the masks, helps us to see love and kindness behind the masks.

☉ Bless us and all for whom we pray, O God. (with hand motion blessing)

☾ Bless our thoughts, emotions and spirits during this pandemic. May we know your courage, strength, patience, grace and spirit, we pray.

☉ Bless us and all for whom we pray, O God. (with hand motion blessing)

☾ Bless us, O God, as we seek to love you and others with our whole heart, soul, strength and mind.

☉ Bless us and all for whom we pray, O God. (with hand motion blessing)

HYMN

BLACK HYMNAL #570 We Shall Overcome

1. We shall overcome,
We shall overcome,
We shall overcome some day;

CHORUS:

Oh, deep in my heart
I do believe
We shall overcome some day

2. We'll go hand in hand,
We'll go hand in hand,
We'll go hand in hand some day;

CHORUS

3. We shall all be free,
We shall all be free,
We shall all be free some day;

CHORUS

4. We are not afraid,
We are not afraid,
We are not afraid some day;

CHORUS

5. God will see us through,
God will see us through,
God will see us through some day;

CHORUS

POSTLUDE

You Are My All in All

Dennis Jernigan

EVIDENCE OF STEWARDSHIP LAST SUNDAY

Offering (e-giving, envelopes, and plate)	
Last Week	\$5,113
Calendar 2020 (Jan-July)	\$212,064
Calendar 2019 (Jan-July)	\$221,711
Change from Last Year	-4.4%
Budget (July)	\$29,250
Actual (July)	\$29,276
Giving vs. Budget	+0.1%
<i>Additional financial information available in Consistory Minutes</i>	

2020 Donations to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank:	
Last Week:	55lbs, \$25
Total YTD:	5,940 lbs, \$2,295

SPONSORS:

SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS: In honor of our Pastors: Pastor Kris, Pastor Kayli, and Pastor Patience– Wes, Maria & family

Your support is especially important now as we work provide spiritual care and connection for members and the community online through Facebook posts, ads, and online worship.

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

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