



**KNOWN  
AND CALLED**

“OH LORD, YOU HAVE SEARCHED ME AND KNOWN ME. YOU KNOW WHEN I SIT DOWN AND WHEN I RISE UP; YOU DISCERN MY THOUGHTS FROM FAR AWAY. YOU SEARCH OUT MY PATH ANY MY LYING DOWN, AND ARE ACQUAINTED WITH ALL MY WAYS.” — PSALM 139:1-3

AFTER THE CELEBRATION OF THE BIRTH OF JESUS, WE MOVE INTO A SEASON OF HEARING THE STORIES OF PEOPLE DISCOVERING AND RECOGNIZING THE IDENTITY OF JESUS. IN THE TIME FROM EPIPHANY TO THE BEGINNING OF LENT, WE TOO WILL DISCOVER THE DEPTH OF WHO JESUS IS, AND BY EXTENSION WHO WE ARE CALLED TO BE AS HIS FOLLOWERS.

HOW ARE WE KNOWN AS FOLLOWERS?  
WHAT IDENTIFIES US IN SUCH A WAY THAT OTHERS SEE AN UNMISTAKABLE LIKENESS IN US?

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**January 23rd, 2022  
8am and 10:30am  
Semi– Annual Meeting after 10:30 Worship**

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

**NEW MEMBERS:** Our next new member gatherings are Sunday, February 13 and 20 at 9:15-10:15 in Memorial Hall. Joining would happen on Sunday, February 27th at 8am or 10:30am worship. To share your questions and interest in learning more contact [pastorkris@unionucc.org](mailto:pastorkris@unionucc.org) or call the church office to speak to her.

***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: 8:00 Suzanne Schneider 10:30 Tami Wassum  
Ushers: 8:00: Cliff James, Carol James, Patricia Warmkessel  
10:30am : Carrington Smith, Jim Lane, Jason Klinger, Susan Smith, Al Stubbmann, Teri Fekula, Karen Misera  
Sound: Patrick Sorg

Thank you for wearing a mask and practicing social distancing.

As you arrive, please visit the welcome tables to:

1. Sign In (Pick up your 2022 Offering Envelopes)
2. Get a paper bulletin of the service or you can view it on your phone at :



3. Share your offerings. 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. Check out Ways to Give online and by text as well. Thank you for your generous hearts.

Call in to listen to the service at 610-410-9595.

Email Marissa at [administrator@unionucc.org](mailto:administrator@unionucc.org) if you would like a bulletin mailed to you.

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**\*Please stand in body or spirit**

**PRELUDE**

**Blake Hoppes**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

*Poem by John van de Laar "Who Are You, Jesus?" (© Sacredise 2008).*

*Who are you, Jesus?  
It seems that people have always wanted to know;  
From the beginning when foreigners  
traveled great distances just to see you,  
To now when trying to answer this question  
can lead to heated debate and even violent conflict.*

*Who are you, really?  
There is no shortage of names for you –*

*Son of God, Messiah, Lord, Anointed One,  
Suffering Servant...*

*But each one feels like a doorway into greater mystery;  
an invitation to dive into depths  
that are beyond my capacity to fathom.*

*I want to know you, Jesus;  
I want to touch something of the truth  
of who you are and so even as I allow my mind to wrestle  
with ideas about you,  
I open my heart that your radiant presence,  
may shine in, may change me,  
and may draw me into an eternity of learning and loving  
who you are. out of darkness and into your marvelous  
light. Amen.*

## **The Peace**

Leader: One of our core values is God's extravagant grace.  
We welcome and encourage each other on this journey of  
faith by saying that no matter who you are or where you are  
on life's journey,

**ALL: You are welcome here.**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you!

**ALL: And also with you!**

Leader: As we rise and stand in body or spirit for the first  
song, I invite you to pass a "wave" of peace to the people  
around you (and the people worshiping at home)!

**\*Hymn: #351 I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry  
Black Hymnal (New Century Hymnal)**

**10:30 Worship Children's Time**

**Children's Church**

**Pastors invite children forward to leave with Ms. Tiffany  
for Children's Church (in the basement).**

**Song: This, This is Where Children Belong**  
**Congregation/ All:**

The musical score is written for voice and guitar. It consists of four staves of music in a 6/8 time signature, with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The lyrics are: "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." The chords are: F, C/E, Dm, Bb, F/A, Gm, Am/C, C, F, Gm, Am, Bb, F/C, Bb, F.

**Parents and Families – your children will return to you in the sanctuary by the end of worship.**

**If the timing doesn't match and worship is longer than Children's Church, please meet them in Room 7 in the Basement (the Preschool Rooms).**

**Scripture Psalm 139:1-6**

O LORD, you have searched me and known me.  
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;  
you discern my thoughts from far away.  
You search out my path and my lying down,  
and are acquainted with all my ways.  
Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD,  
you know it completely.  
You hem me in, behind and before,  
and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

### **John 1:43-51**

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

### **Message**

Can anything good come out of this?

Pastor Kris

### **Prayers of the People**

#### **The Prayer of Jesus**

**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.**

## **Response: #173 You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore**

Verse 1

**ALL: You have come down to the lakeshore  
Seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy,  
But only asking for me to follow.**

**O Jesus, you have looked into my eyes;  
Kindly smiling,  
You've called out my name.  
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;  
now with you I will seek other seas.**

**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 form at <http://www.unionucc.org/egive.pdf> and send to [financialmanager@unionucc.org](mailto:financialmanager@unionucc.org)

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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>.

**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!

**MUSIC OFFERING**

## **Benediction**

**\*Hymn #160 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (Jesus, the Light of the World)**

Black Hymnal (New Century Hymnal)

### **SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION**

Union United Church of Christ, Neffs, Pa  
Aften Hamm, Consistory President presiding

#### **For those of you at home:**

Please log in or call in to our zoom meeting.

**Zoom Link:** <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84305387826?pwd=cWJRR05WZWl6K1hTY3BmcVg0dkU2Zz09>

Meeting ID: 843 0538 7826      Passcode: 757559

There is a waiting room, please be patient until someone lets you into the meeting.

Please mute yourself once you are in the meeting.

We may ask you your name in order to identify everyone present and be sure that we have a quorum. The agenda and other documents were emailed to you or will be available to see on your screen.

Thank you for being a part of the work that we do as God's church.

## **Postlude**

**Blake Hoppes**

# **EVIDENCE OF STEWARDSHIP LAST SUNDAY**

<b>Offering (e-giving, envelopes, and plate)</b>	
Last Week	\$4,248.00
Calendar 2021 (Jan.-Nov.)	\$333,115.00
Calendar 2020 (Jan.-Nov.)	\$327,195.00
Change from Last Year	+1.8%
Budget (July-Nov.)	\$145,530.00
Actual (July-Nov.)	\$146,026.00
Giving vs. Budget	+0.3%
<i>Additional financial information available in Consistory Minutes</i>	

<b>Attendance Last Week</b>	
8:00 am	<b>24</b>
10:30 am (includes children)	<b>52</b>
Children's Church	<b>22</b>

<b>2021 Donations to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank:</b>	
Last Week:	800lbs, \$50
Total YTD:	800 lbs, \$50

## **Presentations to the Glory of God**

### ***Spread the Good News :***

*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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