



“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 30th, 2022 8am and 10:30am

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 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 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 Sue Steinmann, 10:30 Janice Metzger
Welcome Table: 8:00 Carter Christman, 10:30 Buskirk Family
Ushers: 8:00: Carol James, Kerry Snyder, Ron Pope
10:30am: Donna Christman, Brian Horwith, Janice Metzger
Sound: Mike Baer

Thank you for wearing a mask and practicing social distancing.

As you arrive, please visit the welcome tables to:

1. Pick up a paper bulletin of the service or you can view it on your phone at :



2. 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 if you would like a bulletin mailed to you.

***Please stand in body or spirit**

PRELUDE

Just A Closer Walk

Traditional

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Poems by John van de Laar

“Your Welcome Invitation” (© Sacredise 2015)

*How hard we make things, O God,
how heavy the yoke we place on ourselves
through our insecurity and pride,
through our fear and unbelief,
through our denial and stagnation;*

*How threatening our world becomes
when we make life and joy depend on our own ability.*

*But, you have invited us to a different life, a deeper joy,
you have offered us a lighter yoke*

*if we will just stop for a moment and follow you.
Thank you for your gently urgent whisper,
your softly persistent touch, calling us to come, to rest,
and to lay down our self-imposed burdens;*

*With relief and hope we respond to your invitation,
gladly taking up your yoke, joyfully lifting your burden,
and freely giving ourselves to you in love, in praise and in
service.
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 worshipping at home)!

***Hymn: Here I Am, Lord Daniel L Schutte**

**ALL: I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard My people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin,
My hand will save.**

**I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear My light to them?
Whom shall I send?**

CHORUS

**Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.**

**I will go Lord, if You lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.**

**I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have born my peoples pain.
I have wept for love of them, They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak My word to them,
Whom shall I send?**

CHORUS

**Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if You lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.**

**I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them,
My hand will save
Finest bread I will provide,
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give My life to them,
Whom shall I send?**

CHORUS

**Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if You lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.**

Music Offering

8am: Heritage Choir– All That I Am

10:30: Kids Choir– There are Promises
Dried Rose Music (ASCAP)

William Himes
Yancy @2011

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, each with a line of lyrics underneath. The key signature has one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 6/8. The notes are as follows:

- Staff 1: Chords F, C/E, Dm, Bb. Notes: quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter. Lyrics: This, this is where child-ren be - long,
- Staff 2: Chords F/A, Gm, Am/C, C. Notes: quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter. Lyrics: Wel- comed as part of the wor - ship - ping throug.
- Staff 3: Chords F, Gm, Am, Bb. Notes: quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter. Lyrics: Wat - er, God's Word, bread and cup, pray'r and song,
- Staff 4: Chords F/C, Bb, F. Notes: quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter. Lyrics: This is where child - ren be - long.

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 Mark 1:14-20

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.” As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I

will make you fish for people.” And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Message

Casting a Wide Net

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.**

Hymn You Have Come to the Lakeshore

Gabarain, Marshall

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

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

**You know full well what I have, Lord;
Neither treasure nor weapons for conquest,
Just these my fishnets and will for working.**

**Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes,
Kindly smiling, you've called out my name.
On the sand I've abandoned my small boat;**

**Now with you, I will seek other seas.
You need my hands, my exhaustion,
Working love for the rest of the weary,
A love that's willing to go on loving.**

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

**You who have fished other waters;
You, the longing of souls that are yearning;
O loving Friend, you have come to call me.**

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

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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

Wonderful Words of Life

Philip P. Bliss

Benediction

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

Black Hymnal (New Century Hymnal)

Postlude

Blessed Assurance

Fanny J. Crosby, Phoebe P. Knapp

EVIDENCE OF STEWARDSHIP LAST SUNDAY

Offering (e-giving, envelopes, and plate)	
Last Week	\$8,327.00
Calendar 2021 (Jan.-Dec)	\$411,784.00
Calendar 2020 (Jan.-Dec)	\$397,359.00
Change from Last Year	+3.6%
Budget (July-Dec.)	\$224,100.00
Actual (July-Dec.)	\$224,784.00
Giving vs. Budget	+0.3%
<i>Additional financial information available in Consistory Minutes</i>	

Attendance Last Week	
8:00 am	24
10:30 am (includes children)	90
Children's Church	30

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

Presentations to the Glory of God

Spread the Good News :

In memory of Gordon Rothrock by daughters Lucille Kuhns, Leoma Kern, Lana Reitz, and families.

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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