

"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?

e. Worship Design Studio

February 13, 2022 8am and 10:30am Blanket Sunday/ Souper Bowl Sunday Confirmation Class Leads Worship

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: Confirmation Class

Ushers: 8:00: Tom Anderson, Linda Anderson, Larry Todd

10:30am: Deidre Bilger, Carol James, Randy Bilger, Ruth Ruch, Janice Metz-

ger, Julie Johnson, Todd McCoy

Sound: Doug Albert

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

This is My Father's World Jazz Ensemble

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship Emily Mericle, Carter Christman

Poem by John van de Laar "Faith In Action" (© Sacredise 2015).

The world is not healed, O God, by correct ideas, or intellectual nods in the direction of doctrine. No, the world is healed when faith becomes a fire that captures our hearts, that consumes our lives, and that moves us into actions of love and justice.

And so we pray for all people of faith in this community, friends and family members, strangers and newcomers, that our faith may be expressed through actions

of love and welcome of inclusion and celebration.

We pray for all people of faith in our nation, leaders and followers, those with much, and those with little, that our faith may be expressed through actions of generosity and unity, of listening and respecting.

We pray for all people of faith in our world, those who believe as we do, and those who believe differently, that our faith may be expressed through actions of peacemaking and freedom-bringing, of creation-caring and hope-giving.

Our world is not healed, O God, when faith is just words, ideas or rituals. But, when faith is put into Christlike action, healing is not just a possibility – it is a certainty. It's just a question of time.

Amen.

The Peace Brayden Peters & Ethan Solderich

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!

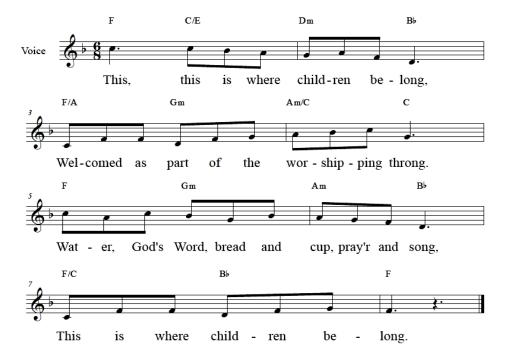
Leader: As we rise and stand in body or spirit for the first song, I invite you to pass a "wave" of peace to the people around you (and the people worshiping at home)!

*Hymn: # 517 I Need You Every Hour (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:



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 Nolan Buskirk & Ella Stanek

Mark 1:29-39(NRSV)

29 As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. 30

Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. 31 He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. 32 That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. 33 And the whole city was gathered around the door. 34 And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. 35 In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he praved, 36 And Simon and his companions hunted for him. 37 When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." 38 He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." 39 And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons

Message

Let's Put A Band-Aid on It

Pastor Kayli

Prayers of the People Savannah Kareha & Eve Horvath 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.

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

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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.

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MUSIC OFFERING

What a Friend We Have in Jesus Jazz Ensemble

Benediction Parker Haydt

Leader: May the God of amazing grace give you eyes to see beauty everywhere, hands to do good to everyone and hearts to bless all you meet.

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

ALL:

Hark! the herald angels sing. Jesus, the light of the world. Glory to the Christ-Child bring, Jesus, the light of the world.

Refrain:

We will follow the light, beautiful light. Come where the dewdrops of mercy are bright. Oh, shine all around us by day and by night. Jesus, the light of the world.

2 Joyful, all you saints arise. Jesus, the light of the world. Join the triumph of the skies. Jesus, the light of the world.

[Refrain]

3 Christ, by highest heav'n adored. Jesus, the light of the world. Christ, the everlasting Word, Jesus, the light of the world.

[Refrain]

4 Hail the bearer of God's Peace. Jesus, the light of the world. Hail, the Sun of righteousness! Jesus, the light of the world.

[Refrain]

Postlude

Chitlins Con Carne - Kenny Burrell

Jazz Ensemble: Blake Hoppes-piano, Mike Baer-guitar, Malcolm Mackenzie – Bass, Mitchell Roth – Trumpet

EVIDENCE OF STEWARDSHIP LAST SUNDAY

Offering (e-giving, envelopes, and plate)		
Last Week	\$6,487.00	
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%	
Additional financial information available in Consistory Minutes		

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	lbs, \$40	
Week:		
Total	800 lbs, \$50	
YTD:		

Blanket Fund to Date:	\$893.72
Souper Bowl to Date:	\$369.00

Presentations to the Glory of God

Spread the Good News :

In honor of Our Confirmation Students from 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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