



MAY 15, 2022

**May 15, 2022
8am and 10:30am
Last Day of Education Hour & Children's Church
Baptism 10:30**

***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: 8:00 Rosalie Snyder; 10:30 Don Penrod
Ushers: 8:00: Debbie Romig, Connie Gioielli, Dixie Gross
10:30am: Donna Christman, Brian Horwith, Deb Wenner, Dan Haftl,
Maryann Puia, Eric Minnich, Gloria Toner, Carol Stout
Sound: Doug Albert

Wearing a mask inside the building will now be optional. For those who are not vaccinated against COVID-19, we recommend wearing a mask (as per CDC guidelines).

Singing - Close proximity while singing contributes to transmission of particulates. If you like to sing, please consider wearing a mask during those portions of worship. Our choirs will continue to mask when singing.

***Please stand in body or spirit**

Prelude

His Eye is on the Sparrow Civilla Martin, Charles Gabriel

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Note: Pastor Kris is on Sabbatical through June 27th.

Call to Worship (written by Rev. Mindi)

Leader: Jesus has given us a new commandment:

ALL: We are commanded to love one another.

Leader: Just as Christ has loved us,

ALL: So we ought to have love for one another.

Leader: By this, everyone will know we are Christ's disciples:

ALL: By our love for one another.

Leader: Come, may we join our hearts in worship:

ALL: Worship God by loving one another.

Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray together

**ALL: Eternal God, our Alpha and Omega,
our beginning and our end,
we have gathered in this time and at this place
to worship You.**

**In Your time, You created all things,
and wove into their fabric a yearning for fulfillment in You.
It is this yearning within us which has pulled us here this
morning.**

**Take these moments, O Lord of time and space,
and complete them in us, through Your Holy Spirit.
May our labor bring forth a new creation in You.**

**This is Your hour, Christ Jesus,
help us to make the most of each precious moment.
For in Your name we have gathered, and we pray. Amen.**

The Peace

Leader: How do we mean the words that we say: “No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey,

ALL: You are welcome here.

Leader: Let’s do all that we can to practice this greeting in word and action.

Please rise and stand in body or spirit for the first song to greet each other with a smile or wave.

***HYMN #327 Jesus Loves Me—New Century Hymnal (Black)**

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong; they are weak but he is strong.

REFRAIN:

**Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus Loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

Jesus loves me! This I know, as he loved so long ago.
Taking children on his knee, saying “let them come to me.”

REFRAIN

Jesus loves me! Still today, walking with me on my way
Wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live

REFRAIN

Music Offering

8:00 Heritage Choir: Jesus, Savior Hugh S. Livingston

10:30 High School Choir:

Naomi Henninger, Emma Milander, Olivia Rice

Flawless (MercyMe) Barry Grau, Bart Millard, Ben Glover,
David Garcia, Mike Scheuchzer, Nathan Cochran, Robby
Shaffer, & Solomon Olds

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 written below the notes. Chord symbols are placed above the corresponding measures of music.

Chord symbols: F, C/E, Dm, Bb, F/A, Gm, Am/C, C, F, Gm, Am, Bb, F/C, Bb, F.

Lyrics:
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.

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

**If Children's Church is longer than worship, please
meet them in Room 7 in the Basement (the Preschool
Rooms).**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

**Connor Michael Christman, child of Vanessa (Fegley)
and Chad Christman.**

Parker James Long, child of Jessica (Gaston) and Douglas Long.
Sponsors: Jamie Farber, Nathan Farber, Ryan Farber

Shae Marie Long, child of Katelyn and Derek Long.
Sponsors: Mekenna Long, Allyson Long, Tyler Long

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**
All: We promise our love, support, and care.

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

CELTIC ALLELUIA

Celtic Mass
Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker

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 and 6/8 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the Alleluia, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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SCRIPTURE

The Gospel of John 13:31-35

31 When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him.

32 If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once.

33 Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come."

34 I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.

35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

THE MESSAGE Guest Preacher Rev. Laura Oesterle

Rev. Laura currently serves at Assistant Chaplain at Moravian University in Bethlehem where they live with their wife, dogs, daughter and plant family

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.**

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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.

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

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>.

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

God and God Alone Phil McHugh

Benediction

Leader: May the blessing of the three-in-one God be yours.

May the Spirit bless you with hope
poured out like water and flowing as the river.

May Jesus bless you with discomfort
at injustice and oppression.

May the Creator who holds the Earth
as an artist holds brush and palette

fill your imagination

so that you always find the world inspiring and wonderful.

May God in whose being beauty shines on you
journey with you.

God says to you, "you are my beloved,

Be blessed this day and always."

***Hymn #493** O Jesus, I Have Promised—New Century Hymnal
(Black)

**O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;
Remain forever near me, my Savior and my friend:
I shall not fear life's struggles if you are by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway if you will be my guide.**

**O let me hear you speaking in accents clear and still,
Above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will!
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control!
O speak, and make me listen, O guardian of my soul!**

**O Jesus, you have promised to all who follow you
That where you are in glory your servant shall be, too;
And, Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;
O give me grace to follow my Savior and my friend.**

***POSTLUDE**

Abide With Me

Henry Francis Lyte

EVIDENCE OF STEWARDSHIP LAST SUNDAY

| Offering (e-giving, envelopes, and plate) | |
|---|--------------|
| Last Week | \$9,683.00 |
| Calendar 2022 (Jan-April) | \$127,458.00 |
| Calendar 2021 (Jan.-April) | \$125,842.00 |
| Change from Last Year | 1.3% |
| Budget (July-April) | \$350,930.00 |
| Actual (July-April) | \$351,563.00 |
| Giving vs. Budget | -0.2% |
| <i>Additional financial information available in Consistory Minutes</i> | |

| Attendance Last Week | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| 8:00 am | 24 |
| 10:30 am (includes children) | 76 |
| Children's Church | 13 |

| 2021 Donations to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank: | |
|---|------------------|
| Last Week: | lbs, \$50 |
| Total YTD: | 3,633 lbs, \$285 |

Presentations to the Glory of God

Spread the Good News :

In memory of John Steinmann

***In honor of the Baptisms of my niece Shea Long
and nephew Parker Long– Deana Correll***

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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