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Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Sibling Rivalry: Cain & Abel

If you are a guest, thank you for worshiping with us today. We invite you to take a moment to complete a visitor's card located in the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate when it is passed. We also invite you to sign your name in our guest book located in the back entrance of the sanctuary.

We welcome infants and children and all their wiggles & voices in our worship! For your comfort, we also have a children's corner in the back of the sanctuary where your child can relax and play and you can still participate in the worship experience. We also have nursery care downstairs during our 10:30 AM worship service. Please see a member of the welcoming team for assistance!

We pray God's blessing upon you. For today's service, we will be using the black hymnal.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Ancient Words

by DeShazo

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

One: Our God is an awesome God who breathed into emptiness and created all that is.

ALL: With love and care, God shaped the world in all its diversity with mountains and valleys, rivers and deserts, and people of all colors and sizes.

One: And threading through it all are beautiful dreams of justice, compassion, liberation, and peace.

ALL: O God, creator of our past, our present, and our future, we thank you for the many blessings you bestow on us each moment.

¹Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

One: Be with us now, O God. Draw near to us as we draw near to you.

ALL: Lead us in paths of righteousness. Fill our hearts with compassion and a thirst for justice. Teach us to be co-creators, with You, of a world where all

belong and share in the abundance you have given us. Praise be to God!
Amen.

***OPENING HYMN NO. 2237** (FWS, see p. 5)

As a Fire is Meant for Burning

***TIME OF CONFESSION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

ALL: Creator God, you made us to be neighbors, members of one family blessed with great diversity. You created us to be helpers and friends to one another, entrusting to us your justice and your joy. Yet we have denied justice and joy to many, creating worlds of poverty, pain, lost opportunities, and absence of hope. In so many ways, we break each other's hearts. Still, you do not reject us. We ask your forgiveness and pray to be transformed. Loving God, you restore us to each other and to you, mending our hearts and repairing the world. Through the power of your Spirit, you shape us to be for others what Christ is for us: pardon and peace, new life and new blessing. We give you thanks for your love, forgiveness, and constant presence. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 423 (black hymnal, refrain)

Great Is Your Faithfulness

ALL SING: Great is your faithfulness! Great is your faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed your hand had provided, great is your faithfulness, God, unto me!

(10:30 AM) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 4: 1-16

MESSAGE

HYMN NO. 2225 (FWS, see p. 6)

Who Is My Mother, Who Is My Brother?

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC (sung by Braden & Jordan Bicher)

Shout to the Lord with How Great Thou Art art. Koerts

OFFERTORY

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Make Us Holy, Make Us Whole*

by Friedman

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE NO. 2185 (FWS, see below)

For One Great Peace

For One Great Peace

♩ = 150

Piano

1. This thread I weave, this step I dance, this
2. This pot I shape, this fire I light, this
3. This check I write, this march I join, this

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stone I carve, this ball I bounce, this nail I drive, this
fence I leap, this bone I knit, this seed I nurse, this
faith I state, this truth I sign, this is small part, in

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pearl I str-i-ng. this flag I wave, this note I sing,
rift I m-e-nd, this child I raise, this earth I tend,
one small pl-a-ce, of one heart's beat for one great Peace.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

*CLOSING HYMN NO. 391 (vs. 1-3, black hymnal) *In the Midst of New Dimensions*

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION NO. 2226 (FWS, see below) *Bind Us Together*

THE NATURE OF THE CHURCH

2226 Bind Us Together

Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er with cords that
can - not be bro - ken. Bind us to - geth - er, Lord,
bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er in love. _____
There is on - ly one God, _____ there is on - ly one King; _____
There is on - ly one bod - y, _____ that is why we sing. _____

Fine

D.C. al Fine

*POSTLUDE

Fantasia on "Iste Confessor"

by Smith

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

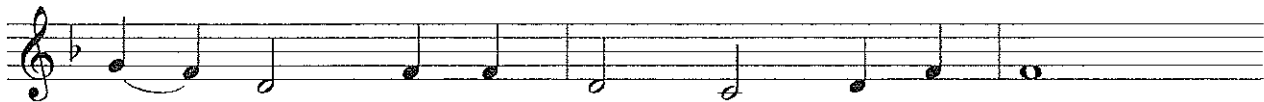
As a Fire Is Meant for Burning



1. As a fire is meant for burn - ing With a
2. We are learn - ers; we are teach - ers; We are
3. As a green bud in the spring - time Is a



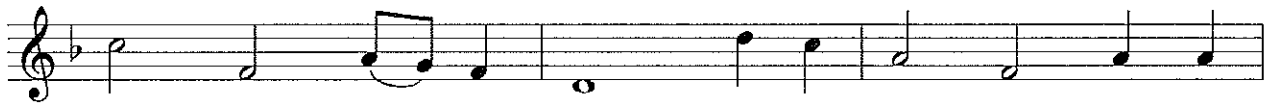
bright and warm - ing flame, So the church is meant for
pil - grims on the way. We are seek - ers; we are
sign of life re - newed, So may we be signs of



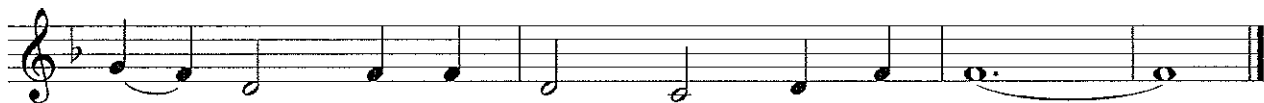
mis - sion, Giv - ing glo - ry to God's name.
giv - ers; We are ves - sels made of clay,
one - ness 'Mid earth's peo - ples, man - y hued.



Not to preach our creeds or cust - oms, But to
By our gen - tle, lov - ing ac - tions, We would
As a rain - bow lights the heav - ens When a



build a bridge of care, We join hands a - cross the
show that Christ is light. In a hum - ble, lis - t'ning
storm is past and gone, May our lives re - flect the



na - tions, Find - ing neigh - bors ev - 'ry - where.
Spir - it, We would live to God's de - light.
ra - diance Of God's new and glor - ious dawn.

Text: Ruth Duck, b.1947, © 1992, GIA Publications, Inc.
Tune: BEACH SPRING, 8 7 8 7 D; *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; harm. by Marty Haugen, b.1950

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Who Is My Mother, Who Is My Brother?

Piano 

1. Who is my moth - er, who is my
 2. Dif - ferent - ly a - bled, dif - ferent - ly
 3. Love will re - late us col - or or
 4. Bound by one vi - sion, met for one

4



broth - er? all those who gath - er round Je - sus Christ:
 la - beled wid - en the cir - cle round Je - sus Christ:
 stat - us can't seg - re - gate us, round Je - sus Christ:
 mis - sion we claim each oth - er, round Je - sus Christ:

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Spir - it blown peo - ple, born from the Gos - pel
 Crutch - es and stig - mas, cul - tures' e - nig - mas
 Fam - i - ly fail - ings, hu - man de - rail - ings
 Here is my moth - er, here is my broth - er

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sit at the ta - ble, round Je - sus Christ.
 all come to - gether - er round Je - sus Christ.
 all are ac - cept - ed, round Je - sus Christ.
 kin - dred in Spir - it, through Je - sus Christ.

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One vase of altar flowers is presented in memory of Shitley Messinger's passing by Larry Messinger.

One vase of altar flowers is presented in honor of Brian & Daisy Kinard's anniversary by Nancy & Dan Kinard.

The bulletins are presented in memory of my brother, George R. Bridgette, from Suzanne Skennonto. Happy Heavenly Birthday!

Thank you to Jordan & Braden Bicher for providing special music at both services today.

We offer a hearing assistance system called *Listen Technologies*. If you would like to use a receiver, please check with the volunteers at the sound booth at the rear of the sanctuary.

8 AM Worship Tech: Mary Jane Snyder

8 AM Welcome Team: Deb & Terry Barnes; Brooke & Jackson Markel

8 AM Sound Tech: Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

8 AM Video Tech: Dave Beyer

8 AM Hall Monitor: Pam Minnich

10:30 AM Worship Tech: Tori Everhart

10:30 AM Welcome Team: Coordinated by Megan Merritt

10:30 AM Sound Tech: Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

10:30 AM Video Tech: Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

10:30 AM Camera Tech: Jim Firestone

10:30 AM Hall Monitor: George DeMers

10:30 AM Nursery: Missy Kiefer & Tammy Gordon

WOW Kids: Coordinated by Kathy Sweeney

¹The call to worship and the prayer of confession were originally written and posted on the web site of the *United Church of Christ* at https://www.ucc.org/justice_worker-justice_labor-sunday_worship-resources#calls, shared with permission for use in worship. Accessed on July 30, 2019.

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CORE PLANNING SESSIONS 2019-2020

SPIRITUAL FORMATION PLANNING SESSION

Sun., August 11th at 9 AM

Council Liaison: Jason Shiffer

Spiritual formation is a critical part of developing one's faith at ALL ages. Join us in the discussion! Help us shape how we learn and grow together during this program year! Interested in developing adult education opportunities? Looking to discover how we can further engage our children in formation? This session will address those ideas and questions.

WORSHIP CORE PLANNING SESSION

Sun. August 11th at 11:30 AM

Council Liaison: Bonnie Murphy

This group will set the worship calendar for 2019-2020, including Messy Church dates, discuss worship themes, continue the discussion around technology in worship, and explore ways to welcome families and children to worship.

YOUTH CORE PLANNING SESSION

Sun. Aug. 11th at 6:00 PM

Council Liaison: Megan Merritt

This planning session will look at the ways that we can continue to both deepen and expand our youth ministry at Mt. Zion, including developing a ministry to young adults (ages 18-25). Developing youth Sunday and outreach is part of the agenda for this session. Youth AND adults are encouraged to attend!

COMMUNITY LIFE PLANNING SESSION

Sun. August 18th at 9 AM

Council Liaison: Lana Fritz

This planning session sets the fellowship calendar for 2020 and establishes the budget for these events. Activities include the Octoberfest, Lenten Dinners, Potluck Dinners, the all church picnic, plus our fellowship groups. If you have an interest in any of these events, please plan to attend.

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OUTREACH PLANNING SESSION

Sun. August 25th at 9 AM

Council Liaison: Carrah Wagaman

This area of ministry encompasses our: Caring Ministry of Care Calls and providing meals; Welcome Teams for funerals and events other than worship; outreach activities such as a our care disciples team, and our Mt. Zion Website and pictorial directory. We will also explore advertising as well as welcoming new members. If you are interested in any of these activities or participate in them, join us for this annual review of events and to consider new activities to reach out to our community.

MISSION CORE PLANNING SESSION

Sun. August 25th at 11:30 AM

Council Liaison: Joe Vacante

This planning session establishes the monthly mission recipients for the coming year, selects recipients of donations such as school supplies, health kits, disaster relief buckets, and sets dates for Mt. Sandy's Helping Hands and dates to prepare meals at Ronald McDonald House. At this session, the Mission Core Team for 2020, that has oversight of the endowment fund distributions for mission, will be selected.

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“Go Green” Sunday

August 18, 2019

2 pm to 4 pm

Shiloh UCC - 2251 Willow Rd.

Bring your family and friends, and come out and join us for a great time at this FREE eco-friendly, family event sponsored by the York Association Community Outreach Committee.

- Free Shredder Truck
- Free Hot Dogs & Beverages
- Meatless Monday Vegetarian Soup & Chili Cook Off
- Collect plastic bags to recycle
- Climate Change Photo Booth
- Ice Cream Truck
- See and learn about an Electric Car
- Interactive Activities for All Ages!

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In the Midst of New Dimensions

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Julian Rush, 1985; alt.

Gen. 9:12-16; Exod. 13:21-22; Num. 14:14

C C/B F C F Am7 Dm7 G7sus4 G7

1 In the midst of new di-men-sions, in the face of chang-ing ways,
 2 Through the flood of starv-ing peo-ple, war-ring fac-tions and de-spair,
 3 As we stand a world di-vid-ed by our own self-seek-ing schemes,
 4 We are man and we are wom-an, all per-sua-sions, old and young,
 5 Should the threats of dire pre-dic-tions cause us to with-draw in pain,

C C/B F C F Am7 Dm7 G C

Who will lead the pil-grim peo-ple wan-dering in their sep-a-rate ways?
 Who will lift the ol-ive branch-es? Who will light the flame of care?
 Grant that we, your glob-al vil-lage, might en-vi-sion wid-er dreams.
 Each a gift in your cre-a-tion, each a love song to be sung.
 May your blaz-ing phoe-nix spir-it res-ur-rect the church a-gain.

Refrain

Am Em F C F C G7 C Dsus4 D7 G7sus4 G7 Am

God of rain-bow, fier-y pil-lar, lead-ing where the ea-gles soar, We your

Em F C F C/E F C/E F G/E Dm7 G7 C

peo-ple, ours the jour-ney now and ev-er, now and ev-er, now and ev-er - more.

Julian Rush, an ordained minister in the United Methodist Church, has spent more than a decade as director of the

Tune: NEW DIMENSIONS 8.7.8.7. with refrain
 Julian Rush, 1985