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Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 AM

I Will Lead My Family to be Healthy Church Members
Sacrament of Holy Communion

This morning, as we worship our God, we also celebrate the Lord's Supper. Here at Mt. Zion UCC, all are invited to the table of grace.

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.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

20:30 Video Prelude

***CALL TO WORSHIP¹**

Leader: What does the Lord require of you?

People: To do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God.

Leader: What does God command of us?

People: To love God with all our heart, and all our soul, and all our mind, and all our strength, and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

Leader: God does not call us to ease or to comfort.

People: But to presence, and abundance, and grace in our struggle.

Leader: Let us worship the God who believes in us, and trusts in us, and abides with us.

¹Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

People: Let us worship the God who will ask much of us, but will be beside us every step of the way.

***OPENING HYMN NO. 383** (black hymnal) *Come, Let Us Join with Faithful Souls*

***TIME OF CONFESSION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

ALL: Almighty God, You have set before us the path but we have wandered on our own to try to find our way. Sometimes we are like toddlers and we hear Your call and come back. Other times, we are children testing boundaries, ignoring Your call until fear finally makes us look back. And still other times we are full of youthful rebellion, demanding to be cut loose and set free, not knowing how much we still need to seek Your wisdom and guidance. But most of all, too often we think we are adults and have figured it all out, and know our own way, only to stumble and stray so far from you. Remind us, parental God, that we are always Your children, that we are never fully grown up in Your sight, that we always have much to learn. Help us to seek You every day, to acknowledge that we need Your wisdom and guidance, and help us to return to the path and walk with You. In the name of Christ, who is our companion on this journey of faith, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 759 (black hymnal)

Gloria Patri

ALL SING: Glory to the Creator, the Christ, the Holy Spirit, Three-in-One; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

(10:30 AM) **CHILDREN'S BELL CHOIR** *Let Us Break Bread Together* Traditional

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

SCRIPTURE

Deuteronomy 6: 4-9

MESSAGE

HYMN NO. 294 (black hymnal)

There's a Spirit in the Air

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

JOYS AND CONCERNS PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

God Give Us Christian Homes


by McKinney

OFFERTORY RESPONSE NO. 558 (refrain, v. 1, refrain)

We Are the Church^s

Piano 
I am the church! You are the church! We are the church to - geth - er!

5 
All who fol - low Je - sus, all a - round the world! Yes! We're the church to - geth - er! The

9 
church is not a build - ing, the church is not a stee - ple, the

11 
church is not a rest - ing place, the church is its peo - ple. I am the church!

14 
You are the church! We are the church to - geth - er! All who fol - low Je - sus,

18 
all a - round the world! Yes, we're the church to - geth - er.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(10:30 AM) **WORSHIP CHOIR ANTHEM**

We Are One with You, O Lord
by Althouse

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

WELCOME¹

COMMUNION PRAYER⁵

Leader: We give you thanks, God of majesty and mercy, for calling forth the creation and raising us from dust by the breath of your being...With your sons and daughters of faith in all places and times, we praise you with joy.

ALL: Holy, holy, holy God of love and majesty, the whole universe speaks of your glory, O God Most High. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God! Hosanna in the highest!

REMEMBERING THE STORY⁴

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER⁴

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.

SHARING THE ELEMENTS (all cups contain grape juice)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING⁵

ALL: Bountiful God, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN NO. 454** (black hymnal)

Lord, I Want To Be a Christian

***BENEDICTION**

Reflection Question

1. Why is it difficult to be a healthy Christian?

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Go Now In Peace⁶

ALL SING: Go now in peace, never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of evr'y day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

POSTLUDE

A Joyous Acclamation

by Peterson

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

¹The call to worship was written by Eliza Buchakjian-Tweedy, Pastor at First Church Congregational in Rochester, NH. She blogs at <http://sermonizing.wordpress.com/>. It was posted with permission to use in worship on the *Re:Worship* website at <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2014/06/call-to-worship-genesis-22.html>. Accessed November 6, 2019.

²The confession was written by Rev. Mindi, and originally posted on the *Rev-O-Lution* website at <http://rev-o-lution.org/>. It was accessed for this worship service on the *Re:Worship* website at <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2017/01/prayer-of-confession-walking-with-god.html>. Accessed November 6, 2019.

³*We Are the Church*. Text: © 1972., Hope Publishing Company. Reproduced with permission under One License #A-725 030.

⁴“Communion.” *Liturgy Outside*, 2011, liturgyoutside.net/themes/communion/#alternative.

⁵*Book of Worship*. United Church of Christ, Office for Church Life and Leadership, 1986.

⁶*Go Now in Peace*. Music: Price/Besig. Reproduced with permission under One License # A-725030.

NOTES

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

If you receive Holy Communion today, please complete a communion card located in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate.

One vase of altar flowers is presented in memory of Phyllis Pfeiger, loved & missed very much, by George, Deb, Ken, Matt, Isabella, Jason, & Jen Barshinger.

One vase of altar flowers is presented in loving memory of Terry Graham by Jodi & Jane Graham.

Thank you to the worship choir and the children's bell choir for participating in the 10:30 AM service today.

Thank you to the October/November worship team for planning today's service. The worship team consists of Elaine Bevivino, Dave Firestone, Tammy Gordon, Matt Grimes, Emily Schriver, & Pastor Jeff.

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: Jim Shiffer

8 AM Welcome Team & Communion Servers: Jodi Graham, Natalie Behrends, Tim Snyder, & Mary Jane Snyder

8 AM Sound Tech: Denny Daugherty

8 AM Video Tech: Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

8 AM Hall Monitor: Coordinated by Pam Minnich

10:30 AM Worship Tech: Alan Neff

10:30 AM Welcome Team & Communion Servers: Carrah Wagaman, Jason Shiffer, Robin Schriver, Emily Schriver, & Dave Firestone

10:30 AM Sound Tech: Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

10:30 AM Video Tech: Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

10:30 AM Camera Tech: John Schriver

10:30 AM Hall Monitor: Coordinated by Bob Katherman

10:30 AM Nursery: Katelyn & Corey McCarthy

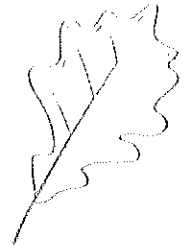
WOW Kids: Jackie Kubala & Dani Devine

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.



Homewood Auxiliary

"We rise...by lifting others..."



Please join us, the Homewood Auxiliary at Plumwood Creek. The cost is \$3/person or \$5/couple. There is a sign-up sheet and a dues envelope on a table in the back narthex. Below is a list of benefits the residents receive because of these dues.

- Specialty wheel chairs
- Blue tooth speakers
- Greenhouse improvements
- Smart TVs for 2 dining rooms
- Headphones
- Weighted blankets
- CD Players
- Records for ice cream parlor
- Color printer
- Kitchen supplies
- Digital cameras
- DVD player
- Garden Box



This year, for the Christmas drive for Homewood, they are requesting the following items.

- Unscented body lotion
- Cube-sized Kleenex boxes
- Signed Christmas cards

You may deposit your signed cards, lotions, or Kleenex at the Auxiliary table in the back narthex.



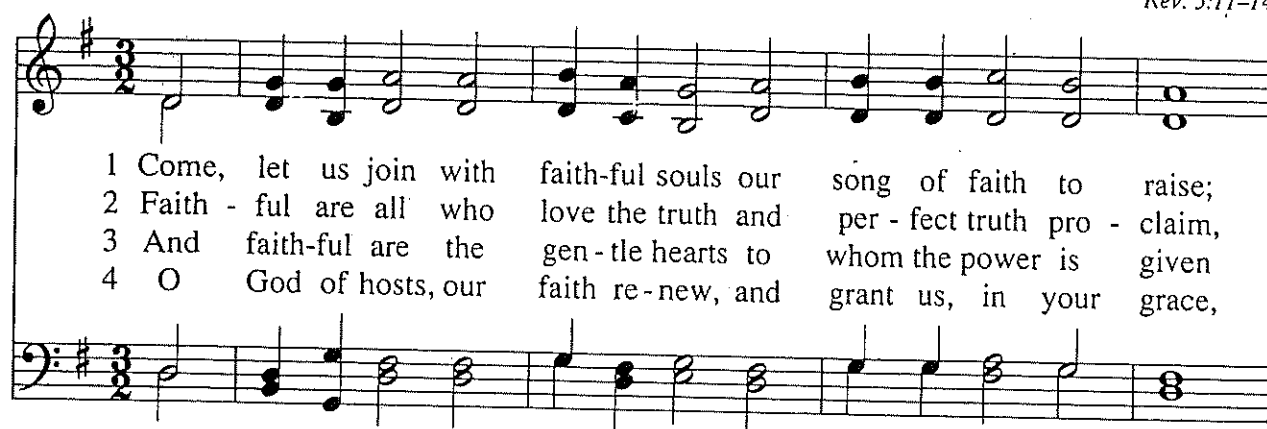
The last date for membership and for the Christmas drive is December 1, 2019. Any questions, please call Paulette Smith at 717-757-3625.

Come, Let Us Join with Faithful Souls

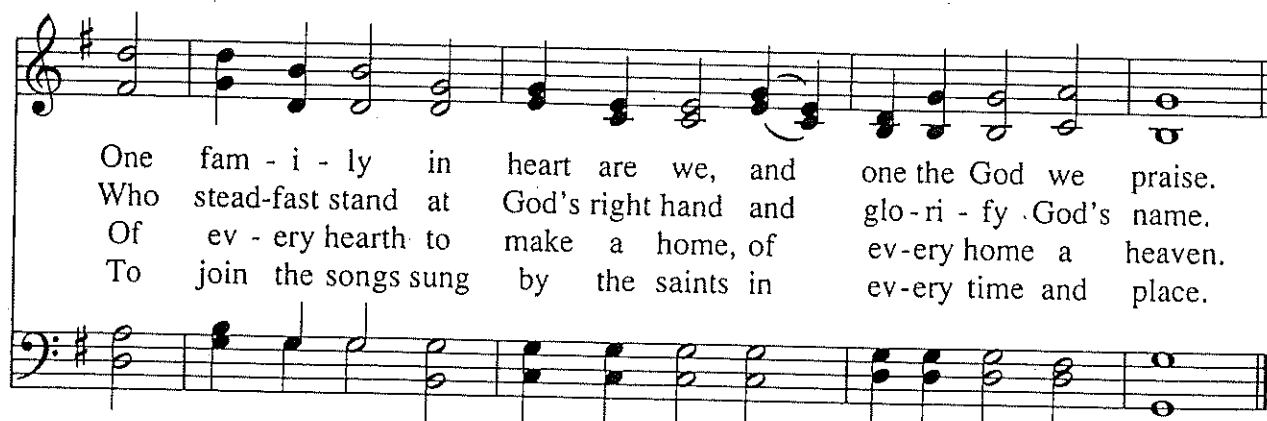
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William G. Tarrant, 1892; alt.

Rev. 5:11-14



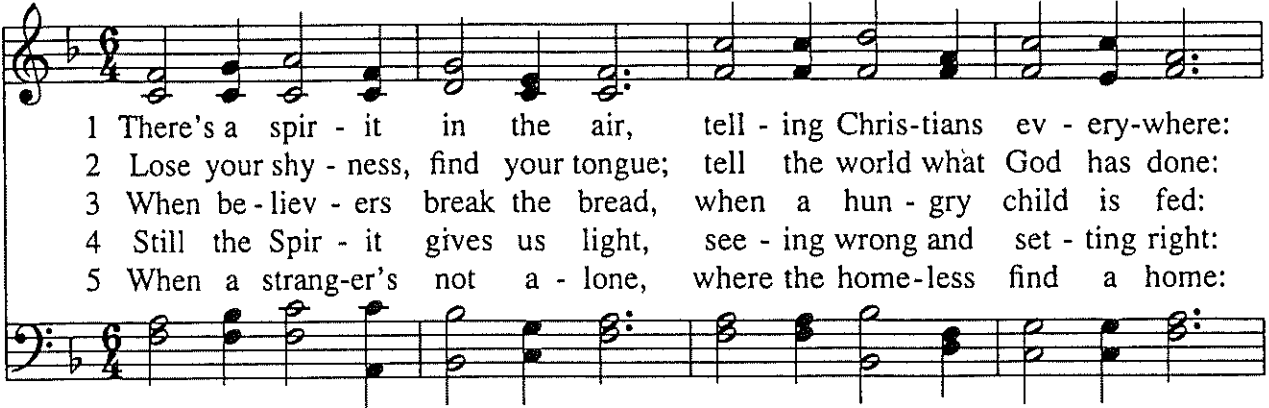
1 Come, let us join with faith-ful souls our song of faith to raise;
2 Faith - ful are all who love the truth and per - fect truth pro - claim,
3 And faith-ful are the gen - tle hearts to whom the power is given
4 O God of hosts, our faith re-new, and grant us, in your grace,



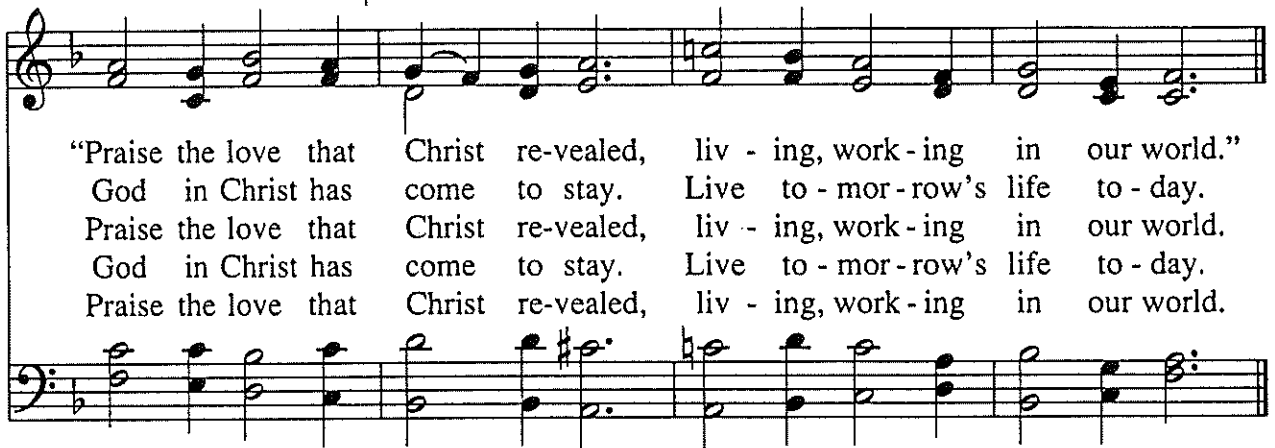
One fam - i - ly in heart are we, and one the God we praise.
Who stead-fast stand at God's right hand and glo - ri - fy God's name.
Of ev - ery hearth to make a home, of ev - ery home a heaven.
To join the songs sung by the saints in ev - ery time and place.

A leader of the Unitarian Church in England, William Tarrant edited a Unitarian weekly and for thirty-seven years ministered to the Unitarian Christian Church in London. This hymn was one of many he wrote for use by that congregation.

Tune: AZMON C.M.
Carl G. Gläser, 1828
Arr. Lowell Mason, in *Modern Psalmody*, 1839

*John 6:24-35, 51-58; 1 Cor. 2:9-16; 1 John 4**Brian Wren, 1969; rev. 1987*


1 There's a spir - it in the air, tell - ing Chris-tians ev - ery-where:
 2 Lose your shy - ness, find your tongue; tell the world what God has done:
 3 When be - liev - ers break the bread, when a hun - gry child is fed:
 4 Still the Spir - it gives us light, see - ing wrong and set - ting right:
 5 When a strang-er's not a - lone, where the home-less find a home:



“Praise the love that Christ re-vealed, liv - ing, work - ing in our world.”
 God in Christ has come to stay. Live to - mor - row's life to - day.
 Praise the love that Christ re-vealed, liv - ing, work - ing in our world.
 God in Christ has come to stay. Live to - mor - row's life to - day.
 Praise the love that Christ re-vealed, liv - ing, work - ing in our world.

6 May the Spir-it fill our praise,
 guide our thoughts and change our ways.
 God in Christ has come to stay.
 Live to-mor-row's life to-day.

7 There's a Spir-it in the air,
 call-ing peo-ple ev-ery-where:
 Praise the love that Christ re-vealed,
 liv-ing, work-ing in our world.

Brian Wren celebrates the Spirit's work in the world in this text written for Pentecost at Hockley, England. In it, Wren borrows a poetic device from the Isaac Watts hymn "Give to Our God Immortal Praise" with the alternating repetition of two choruses.

Tune: ORIENTIS PARTIBUS 7.7.7.7.
 Medieval French melody
 Harm. Richard Redhead, 1853

Lord, I Want To Be a Christian

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African-American spiritual

Deut. 6:5-6; 10:12-16

1 Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart, in my heart;
 2 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart, in my heart,
 3 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart, in my heart;
 4 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart.

Refrain

In my heart, in my heart,
 In my heart, in my heart,
 In my heart, in my heart,

Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart.

Many of the enslaved of antebellum America did not want to become Christians because they did not want to adopt the religion of their captors. But this spiritual attests that the Christian faith was an internal strength and aim for many.

Tune: I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN
 8.6.8.3, with refrain
African-American spiritual
 Arr. Joyce Finch Johnson, 1992