

## GOD'S PEOPLE LEAVE TO SERVE

\*Closing Hymn "O Master Let Me Walk With Thee" #602 Chalice hymnal

### Affirmation of Faith

We affirm that all children are a gift of God, created by God and created good; All children are a gift to the whole of the human community. Therefore we hope For a world where all children can find a safe place; where all ages, races, genders, creeds, and abilities are recognized, valued, and celebrated; where all adults hear the voices of children and speak with as well as for them; where all children have "first call" on the world's resources and first place in the minds and hearts of the world's adults. Therefore we hope for a church where we take seriously our baptismal vow to nurture all children committed to our care; where we bring good news to all those places where children are in need; where adults and children alike share in ministry. We covenant to act so that this vision may be made real for all children, now and in times to come.

*Selections from a General Assembly*

\*Benediction

\*Response

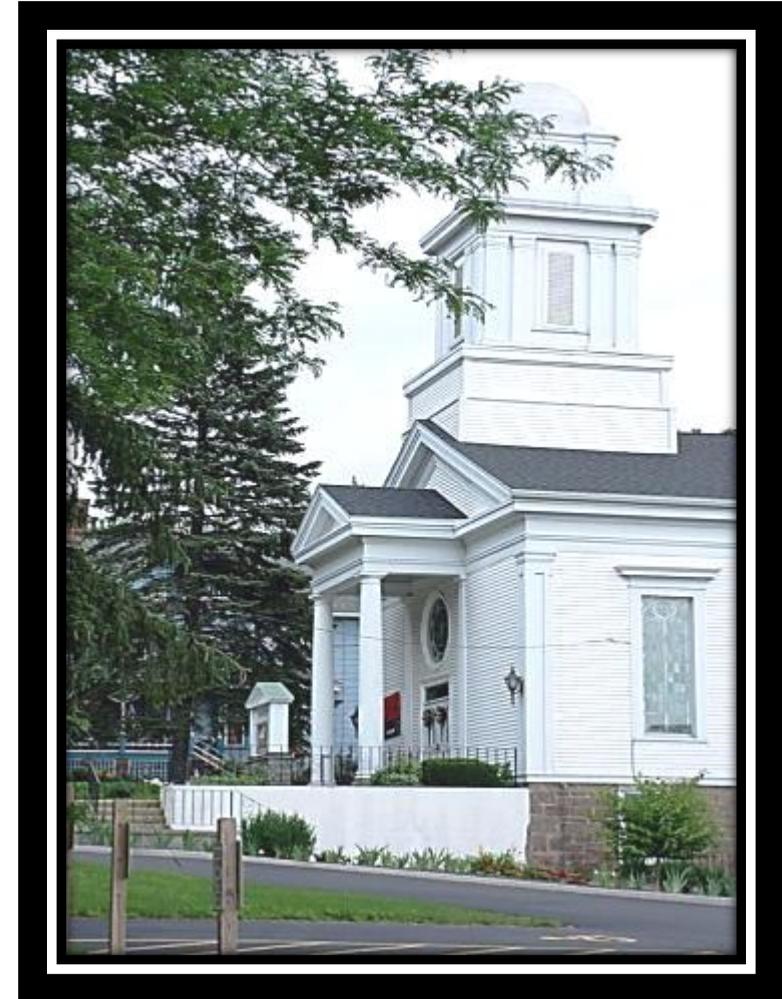
Organ Postlude:

\*Congregation: Please rise in body or in spirit



## UNION CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, May 12, 2019



## Welcome

in Christ's name to all who are visiting.

We are an Open and Affirming congregation of the United Church of Christ. Please let us know you were here by filling out one of the guest cards provided by the ushers. We are blessed by having you here. May you also be blessed because you worshipped God with us

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**May 12, 2019**

**10:00 AM**

**GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER**

**Music for Quiet Reflection**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude:**

**CALLING EACH OTHER TO WORSHIP**

**Leader:** Come, mothers, fathers, single, divorced, young and old, all people.

**People: For God shows no partiality**

Leader: Let love be genuine

**People: Hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good**

Leader: Love one another with mutual affection

**People: Rejoice in hope**

Leader: Be patient in suffering

**People: Persevere in prayer**

Leader: Extend hospitality to strangers. Come, let us worship the Lord!

**Opening Hymn:** "For the Beauty of the Earth" #56 Chalice hymnal

**Calling God into Our Hearts, Minds, and Spirits (unison)**

God of love, you call us to love one another, just as Jesus loved us. Today especially, O God, we think of the times when our actions toward those closest to us have been anything but loving. Forgive our shortcomings and help us to move in new directions. Amen.

**GOD'S PEOPLE LISTEN**

**Anthem**

**A Time for the Child In Us All**

(Children leave for Sunday School through the Fellowship Room afterwards)

**\*Fellowship Hymn:** "Standin' in the Need of Prayer" #579 Chalice hymnal

**Scripture Reading: Mica 6: 6-8 John 14: 1-14**

L: God is still speaking to us through the Living Word.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

**"LOVING RELATIONSHIPS"**

**Anthem**

**GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND**

**LITANY FOR FAMILIES**

L: We are family, you and I, family together and family apart. Known to the world and yet hidden from it.

**P: We are family, you and I, whole and broken, perilously close to the edge yet stronger than any government.**

L: We are family, you and I, known sometimes not even to each other. Cruel beyond imagining, precious beyond words.

**P: We are family, you and I, with stamina and power and voice. Sometimes scared but always capable of changing the world.**

L: We are family, you and I, known to God and loved by God, forgiven, blessed and strengthened to begin again and again.

**Responding in Prayer**

Sharing Celebrations & Concerns

Morning Prayer

**The Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)**

Response

**Responding through Giving**

Invitation to Giving and Receiving of Gifts

Offertory:

**Hymn of Praise:**

"The Doxology"

**\*Prayer of Dedication:**

Living God, through Christ you call us to walk in your ways. We offer our gifts as seeds to be used to share and spread the good news of God's love. We renew our commitment to serve you gladly and to love one another as you first loved us. Amen