



# **SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

*with UCC Westerly*

**May 16, 2021 @ 9:45am**

**In-person &**

**Broadcast live from our sanctuary**

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## **PASTOR'S WELCOME**

### **PRELUDE – “Boundless Grace”**

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## **DEACON'S WELCOME**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP –**

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To become aware of the sacramental nature of the cosmos; to be open to the sacramental possibilities of each moment; to see the face of Christ in every person; these things are not novel, but their rediscovery is the beginning of our health.

### **OPENING SONG – “Morning Has Broken”**

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- 1. Morning has broken like the first morning,  
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them springing fresh from the Word!*
- 2. Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,  
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
Spring in completeness where his feet pass.*
- 3. Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning  
Born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, praise every morning,  
God's re-creation of the new day!*

## **UNISON PRAYER OF REFLECTION**

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**God, we thank you for your love and grace so abundant, so overflowing, that you receive us in spite of our fear and our timid lives of faith. As you encouraged the**

**first Christians to witness in the face of all risks, encourage us to follow your call rather than to cower before the powerful. Grant us peace in the midst of the challenge; and fill us with your Holy Spirit, through the Risen Christ. Amen.**

**THE MORNING MESSAGE –**

**Scripture Reading:** Luke 17:11-19

**Message – *Merciful Gratitude***

Meditation Music – *“Grace Greater Than Our Sin”*

Rev. Ruth

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**A TIME OF PRAYER**

Pastoral Prayer & Silent Prayers

The Lord’s Prayer in whatever words are most comfortable for you.

Musical response

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD**

Anthem – *“Sacred Hour”*

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*“Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ all creatures here below; Praise Holy Spirit, Comforter; One God, Triune, whom we adore. Amen.”*

**CLOSING SONG – “Open My Eyes”**

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- 1. Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth you have for me;  
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unlock and set me free.  
Refrain: Silently now, on bended knee, ready I wait your will to see;  
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!*
- 2. Open my ears that I may hear voices of truth you send so clear;  
And while the message sounds in my ear, everything false will disappear.  
Refrain: ... Open my ears ...*
- 3. Open my mouth, and let me bear, gladly the warm truth everywhere;  
Open my heart and let me prepare love with your children thus to share.  
Refrain: ... Open my heart ...*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A PRAYER OF BENEDICTION—** [based on Colossians 3:12-17]

As God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness and patience. Bear with one another. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts. And, whatever you do in word or deed, do everything in Jesus’ name, giving thanks to God. Amen.

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**POSTLUDE – “Postlude in G”**

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### **Luke 17:11-19**

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'