



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

with UCC Westerly

May 1, 2022 @ 9:45am

IN-PERSON and

Broadcast live from our sanctuary

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Gathering Music –

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PASTOR’S WELCOME

PRELUDE – "Always Remember Me"

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DEACON’S WELCOME

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP – Excerpts from *Psalm 30*

One: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones and give thanks to God’s holy name.

All: O Lord my God, I cried to you for help and you healed me.

One: Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

All: Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!

OPENING HYMN – *Break Now the Bread of Life*

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UNISON PRAYER OF REFLECTION

[Adapted from *Calling on God*, Bankson & Sokolove, Eds. ©2014, Skylight Paths Publishing. p. 185-6]

Gentle Shepherd, you call us to your Table when we are filled with joy and when we are beset with trouble. This day in the midst of war and so much fearsome news, we especially ask that you pour out your goodness and grace on all who grieve, on all who fear, on all who live with pain. Lead our nation and all the world into your paths of peace and let our cups overflow with mercy. Hear us as we pray for those we love, for those we fear, for those we know well and those we have never met. Hear us too as we pray for ourselves, in spoken words and the silence of our hearts. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

A SIMPLE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Hymn of Preparation -- “Let Us Break Bread Together”

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Statement of Faith [Taken from the daily liturgy for morning worship, The Iona Community]

With the whole church, we affirm that we are made in God’s image, befriended by Christ, empowered by the Spirit.

With people everywhere, we affirm God’s goodness at the heart of humanity, planted more deeply than all that is wrong.

With all creation, we celebrate the miracle and wonder of life, the unfolding purposes of God, forever at work in ourselves and the world.

Words of Invitation and Prayer

Sharing of the Elements

Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving

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 as your rainbow of hope in an uncertain world. Send us in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE MORNING MESSAGE –

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-24

Message – *Welcome to the Jesus Table*

Rev. Ruth

Meditation Music - "Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive"

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A TIME OF PRAYER

Pastoral Prayers & Silent Prayer

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

Musical Response

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

OFFERTORY ANTHEM -- "He Leadeth Me"

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Acknowledgement of Gifts & Offerings*

Doxology: [©Public Domain]

"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 HYMN -- As We Gather at Your Table

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

A PRAYER OF BENEDICTION Numbers 6:25

May God bless you and keep you. May God's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May God's entire being be lifted up upon you and give you peace. Amen.

Sung Response – Let There Be Peace on Earth

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Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me;

let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God our creator, children all are we.

Let us walk with each other, in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.

With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

POSTLUDE – "To God All Praise and Glory"

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### **1 Corinthians 11:23-24**

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

*Copies of this morning's message can be requested at any time from Carol in the office.*