

WELCOME!

As we gather, we remember our vision to grow & nurture followers of Christ in a welcoming community. As we worship we join our hearts with the entire extended community of United Presbyterian Church – those who join us here and also those who are joining us from their home sanctuaries.

A few COVID-19 related things to note:

- Please wear masks at all times inside the building and try to maintain social distance. We
 do this to show our care and concern for those with fragile health and those who have not
 yet been vaccinated.
- 2) As we move through the service, you are invited to join in as invited with the words of the prayers and the readings. If you are joining us from home, speaking and singing the words aloud will help deepen your worship connection.
- 3) Offerings can be dropped in the box available at the Welcome Center kiosk. You may also send them in the mail, drop them off, or make your offering online.

As you worship, use this as your guide for the bulletin:

- 1) The words in **bold and italic** print are for all to read together
- 2) The words in *italic* are for all to sing.
- 3) The words in parentheses are meant to provide additional information

Order of Worship

Gathering Music

Welcome

Introit Make Us One

Call to Worship

One: We come, for the Spirit gathers us here, with God's community of faith: *All: Here the hungry are served first and the thirsty find plenty to drink.* One: We come, as Christ welcomes us here into God's home of grace: *All: Here the naked are clothed and the stranger is embraced.* One: We come, for Spirit unites us here, as siblings in God's family of love:

All: Here the imprisoned are freed and the sick are cradled in God's peace. One: Let us worship together as God's people, one body - the Body of Christ.

Worship In Song

We Will Rise Up and Follow

From the nets of our labors, through the noise and confusion, from the city or seashore, Jesus summons us all.

When we faint and grow weary from the bearing of burdens, with a message of comfort, Jesus summons us all.

Refrain: We will rise up and follow, Christ before and beside us, loving pattern to guide us, as we answer the call.

In the eyes of the stranger, tearful, joyous, or frightened, in the face of each neighbor, Jesus summons us all.

When we hear words of hatred spreading fear or false witness, words that cry to be challenged, Jesus summons us all. (Refrain)

In each moment of courage, steadfast even through trembling; in the yearning for justice, Jesus summons us all.
Like disciples before us, from the city or seashore, risking selfless compassion: Jesus summons us all. (Refrain)

Invitation To Confession

Prayer of Confession

All: Merciful God, we confess that we have wandered from your way of truth and life. You call us to share all that we have and work together for the common good, but we hoard up treasures for ourselves and deny others their daily bread. You call us to set the captives free and seek justice for the oppressed, but we live in fear of our neighbors and hide ourselves from our own kin. You call us to walk in newness of life and to be witnesses to the resurrection, but we dwell in the valley of dry bones and keep silent about your saving love. Forgive us, God of grace. Set us free from sin, death and fear so that we may serve you with gladness.

(Please take time for personal reflection, bringing your prayers to our loving and forgiving Savior.)

One: In the name of Christ we pray.

All: Amen.

Kyrie

Assurance of Grace

One: God is just and forgiving All: God receives us as we are.

One: God lifts us up and calls us again to be people upholding justice and peace.

Receive God's pardon and peace, knowing that all sins are forgiven.

Sharing Christ's Peace

(Please give a wave of peace to one another.)

Musical Offering

Compassion Hymn

Scripture

Micah 6:8 Matthew 25:31-46

Welcoming Our Guest Speaker

Pastor Debra

Sermon

"From the Inside Out"

Rev Dr Diane Givens Moffett

Hymn

Jesus Be With Us

We come before you, With all we have, The work of our hands. Broken and poured out, Sign for the world, Jesus. Be with us now. Now.

Broken you people, We who are your own. Mend us in the shape of your love, Formed in you. We come before you, With all we have, The work of our hands. Broken and poured out, Sign for the world, Jesus. Be with us now. Now.

Scattered and fractured, Frozen in our fear. Bind us, unite us as one, Strangers no more. We come before you, With all we have, The work of our hands. Broken and poured out, Sign for the world, Jesus. Be with us now. Now.

Prayers of the People with 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Musical Offering

When I think About the Lord

Rev. Irene Lewis-Wimbley

Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen

Offering Prayer

All: God, whose giving knows no ending, we offer up the treasure that you have entrusted to us; we offer up the skills and time that you have graciously given to us; we offer up ourselves in service and praise. Receive these gifts by your grace. Multiply and use them through the power of the Holy Spirit to accomplish Christ's work of love in the world. Amen.

Alleluia Song

Time With Young Disciples

Bring in the Alleluias and bury them.

Closing Song

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

Work.... Prav....

Sing....

Benediction

Leaving Music



The Rev. Dr. Diane L. Givens Moffett serves as the president and executive director of the Presbyterian Mission Agency — the mission arm of the Presbyterian Church (USA). She has held this role since June 2018.

Prior to that she served as senior pastor of St. James Presbyterian Church in Greensboro, North Carolina. While there, she also served on several boards, became a candidate for mayor of the city, and was co-chair of the Greensboro Interfaith Clergy Council and vice president of the Pulpit Forum. Along with numerous other awards and recognitions, in April 2018, Diane received the Sojourner Truth Award, the highest honor of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, for her commitment to serving others.

Diane's service to the denomination includes over 33 years

in pastoral ministry. She served as the first woman pastor at Elmhurst Presbyterian Church in Oakland, California, and associate pastor of evangelism, discipleship and ministry at Elmwood United Presbyterian Church in East Orange, New Jersey. She also served as coordinator of the Korean and African-American Pastors Reconciliation Project and executive director at Harbor House Ministries in Oakland. She currently serves as a board member for the Lousiville Urban Leaque.

Diane holds a bachelor of arts degree in sociology and social welfare from the University of California at Berkeley, and both a master of divinity and doctorate of ministry from San Francisco Theological Seminary. She is author of the book, *Beyond Greens & Cornbread-Reflections on African American Christian Identity* and numerous other articles on a variety of subjects pertaining to ministry.

Diane is married to Mondre Moffett who is a trumpeter and professor of music at Simmons College of Kentucky, as well as director of Trinity Jazz Decree, and host of Saint Stephen Baptist Church's television broadcast, *Black Music Footprints*. They have three married daughters and five grandchildren.

Serving in Worship Today, February 27, 2022

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Diane Moffett

Director of Worship & the Arts: Alison Meuth

Worship Accompanist: Sue Hulin Worship Leader: Maloof Family Musicians: Tom Abbot, Pat Bensing, Anne Swanson, Jimmy Willis

Remember in Prayer

Remember in Prayer: Mel Abbot, Jackson Aldrich, Eunice Andrews, Craig Clock, Ann Cordis, Rina Krall, Doug Jackson, Michelle & Terry Johnson, Kim Murray, Stephanie Murray, Projeto Amar, Bill Rice, Bill Sholtz, Jennifer & infant daughter, Allison Sleater, Dan Staley, Larry & Sara Stotts, Debbie Sullivan, Barbara Vale.

Focus Prayers for the Week of February 27

This week we focus on Johnston A Parish. Please be in prayer for these UPC Friends: Rich McClain (Parish Deacon), Marilyn Bain, Carolyn Gnepper, Ken Krancher, Tom & Evy McCormack, Phil & Sue McGill, Myrna Neill, Jerry & Katie Pilon, Lee & Bev Ranson, Toni Redlingshafer, Bill & Trudy Sholtz, The Sleater Family (Jennifer, Greg, Lillie, Jack, Allison), and Steve & Barb Wolter.

Pastoral Care: If you or someone you love is hospitalized and needs a visit from UPC, please make sure you contact us directly at 693-2002. Unless the hospital tells us you're in, our staff and deacons will not know to visit or reach out. We appreciate you filling in our knowledge gaps this way.

This Week at UPC

We continue to livestream on YouTube Facebook so that those who need to remain at home can continue participating in our service as well. You'll find the links in the Ringer or contact the office. You do NOT have to join Facebook to worship with us. You can go to our page and watch live or view the service at any time after 10AM. Do let us know you are there by saying "hi," commenting, & hitting the Like or Love buttons. We love to know you are watching!! You can also listen to the entire service on your car radio on FM90.5.

The flowers on the chancel are to the Glory of God and in memory of Karen, given by her Mother, Jeri Maher.

Opportunities for Ministry

Announcements: If you have an announcement for the bulletin or the Ringer send them to: announcements@unitedpc.org.

The Week Ahead

Sunday, February 27

9:00 a.m. Adult Education 10:00 a.m. Worship Service *Livestream on Facebook & Youtube* 11:15 a.m. Christian Education

Monday, February 28

11:00 a.m. Book Club 1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

Tuesday, March 1

10:00 a.m. Coffee Talk, *Zoom* 12:00 p.m. Mah Jongg 6:30 p.m. Families Anonymous 7:00 p.m. Missional Engagement



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Wednesday, March 2

8-9 a.m. Drive Thru Ash Dispostion 2:30 p.m. Lent Station Set Up 4:30 p.m. Amica Choir at Southside Community Center 5:30 Bells 6:00 p.m. Worship Band 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service

Thursday, March 3

10:00 a.m. Bible Study 6:00 p.m. OSF Bereavement 7:30 p.m. Bible Study

Sunday, March 6

8:00 a.m. Chimes Info Due in Office 9:00 a.m. Adult Education 10:00 a.m. Worship Service, *Livestream on Facebook and Youtube.*

Office Hours

Trish Deppermann, *Administrative Manager* Monday- Thursday 8:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Friday – works from home

Alison Meuth, *Director worship & the Arts Monday-Tuesday*, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Keli Briggs, Faith Community Nurse Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Debra Avery, Pastor Drop by office hours: Tuesdays 9AM-1PM Thursdays: 1-4PM Other times by appointment.