

First Congregational Church of Tallmadge

United Church of Christ

Sunday, April 28, 2024 10:00 A.M.

WELCOME

LITURGY FOR THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

"No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."

The chimes call us to a time of worship

GREETING

Anne Pertick

PRELUDE

"Here I Am to Worship" — Hughes/Tornquist

Piano: Nancy Lynn Robinson

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INTROIT

Bobby Higham

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Holy One,

Congregation: who made heaven and earth.

Leader: As we have gathered here to worship, let us stand

and greet one another in the love of Christ.

(Please stand.)

*GATHERING SONG #652

"This Is the Day"

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This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made, that the Lord has made;

we will rejoice, we will rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.

*CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 19)

Cadence Ickes

One: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament

proclaims God's handiwork.

All: Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares

knowledge.

One: There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard.

All: Yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to

the end of the world.

One: Praise to you, O God, Lord and Giver of Life. Your love sustains

planet earth and by your hand all things living are fed.

All: Forgive our neglect and abuse of your gifts.

One: Help us to serve, defend, defend and restore your creation.

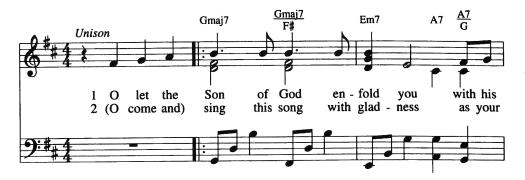
All: Help us care for your people. Help us care for the earth.

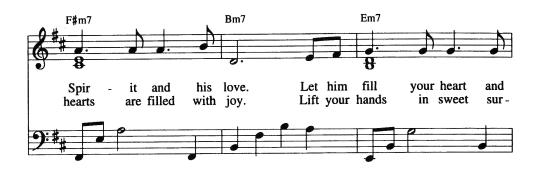
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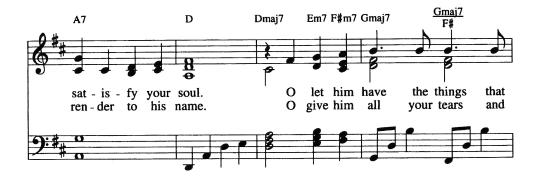
CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

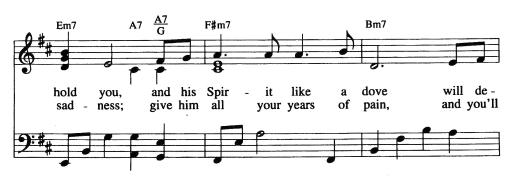
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Spirit Song









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CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP



***OPENING PRAYER**

Joey Dodge

Creator of the earth and all living things, maker of the sky and the air and the breath of life, God of all that is: we are your servant people, created out of the clay of the earth itself. We forget that we are your creatures and we play at being gods. We neglect the work of stewardship that you have provided for our occupation and our joy. We have used, abused, and abandoned those things that you have created for your delight. You have created a fragile world in a perfect and delicate balance. Thinking too much of our own importance we have upset the balance. We ask your forgiveness, Holy and Righteous God. We yearn to join with the mountains and valleys, the rocks and the birds of the wild ocean waters in singing your praises.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Piano Solo"

- Corey Cammel

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN ALL OF US

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Meredith Treen and Laini Scherer

WE LIFT OUR PRAISE AND PRAYER TO GOD

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Cantate Domino"
(O Sing Ye to the Lord)

Saxophone Duet: Joey and Lucas Dodge

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Cadence Ickes

HYMN OF CENTERING

"Firm Foundation"
(Maverick City Music)

HEARING GOD'S WORD FOR THE DAY

SCRIPTURE LESSONS / MESSAGE

"Protecting God's Earth"
- Camryn Ickes, Tapanga Ross, Amelia Ross

THE OFFERING

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INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Cadence Ickes

OFFERTORY

"In Christ Alone (My Home Is Found)" - Getty/Townsend
Solo: Ella Bozic
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(Please stand.)

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God above ye heavenly host.

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Emma Bozic

As we care for your creation, provide us with the humility and curiosity needed to continually learn about the marvels of your works, and to deepen our understanding of how our actions, good and bad, affect all of creation. We ask your blessing on these gifts, the intentions we offer here today, and of those across the church and beyond for the healing of our Mother Earth. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN #471

"As the Deer"
(words and music on the following page)

WE ARE SENT BY GOD TO BE THE GOOD NEWS

*BENEDICTION

Bobby Higham

*CONGREGATION RESPONSE

"Go now in peace, never be afraid
God will go with you, each hour of every day.
Go now in peace, in faith and in love."

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POSTLUDE

"Great Is the Lord" — Smith/Hayes

Piano: Nancy Lynn Robinson

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As the Deer



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH OUR SERVICE TODAY

Tech: Lily Scherer and Lauren Scovern

Ushers: Emma Bozic, Cadence Ickes, Meredith Treen, Lucas Dodge

Greeters: Camryn Ickes, Laini Scherer, Amelia and Tapanga Ross

Special Music: Joey and Lucas Dodge, Ella Bozic, Corey Cammel

Visual Graphics: Cadence Ickes

Today's altar flowers are provided by Denise Haynes

"In Memory of Dianne Mowder Stimmel"



6-8

PM



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THE PRAYER CHAIN CONNECTION

We pray for the names listed below and also for many other church members and their concerns, which remain confidential. You may call or text Diana Caldwell with your prayer concerns @ 330-265-5723. Bless be God who did not requse me the kindness I sought in prayer. Psalm 66:20

Dorothy Achimasi

Cheyenne Andrews (Lucy Larson's mom)

Brad Ashley

Noreen Ashley

Tim Ashley

Marilyn Berta

Rob Broocker (Cousin of Kristin Yoho)

Steve Burr

Jim Caplinger

Scott and Connie Carter (relatives of Rev. Ed and Carol

Carter)

Jim and Bonnie Collinson (friends of Connie Mason)

Devin Devies (grandson of Patty Calvarese)

Baby Matthew Engel

Roger Fendenheim (friend of Joe Labay)

Eleanor Hall

Alleen Hilbish

Kenneth Holt

Sandi Hughes

Zell Lambert

Bill Laymon

Walt and Margie Nicholson

Marie O'Neil

LTJG John Norton (Connie Stone's Grandson)

David & Jackie Parker

Paulina Rodriguez (friend of Kim Stock)

Dr. Mike Shimmel (friend of Sandy Farabee)

John Triola (friend of Joe Labay)

Richard Thomason

Alzheimer's Care Giver Support Group

Confidential Names on our Prayer List



Rev. Daniel J. Doty, *Senior Minister* Nancy Lynn Robinson, *Choir Director/Organist* Wendy Brown, *Director of Family Ministries*

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SUNDAYS AT 10:00 AM

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