



Welcome to worship at United Church of Christ Norwell. Whether you are a member of our church, a frequent attendee, or a first-time visitor, know you are welcomed here. We hope you will find your time among us inspiring and leave feeling strengthened and transformed by the love of God in Christ.

Listening devices for the hearing impaired and large print bulletins are available. Note: if you remove both hearing aids to use a listening device, please store them apart from each other to avoid sound system feedback.

Activity bags are also available for children to use (a Deacon or usher can assist you). Audio of the worship service can also be heard in the library. Please note that a parent must remain with their child(ren) in the library to supervise them.

This morning service is being live streamed and available for viewing on our Vimeo channel and Facebook page.

United Church of Christ Norwell

We are a Christ-centered inclusive community called to ministry.

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United Church of Christ Norwell

An Open and Affirming Church

January 15, 2023

10:00 a.m.

We Gather in God's Name

Call of the Bell

Welcome and Prayer of Invocation

Rev. Leanne Walt

*Hymn #683

O for a World

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Prayer of Confession (unison)

Harry Solis

Dear God,
We worship and desire to follow your son Jesus.
We yearn to be his disciples, to live lives reflective of his devotion to You and his love of neighbor.
Yet, we often lack the discipline and self-control required to embody your love, for we know it demands something of us that we are not always willing to relinquish: our time, our comfort, our certainty. Forgive us.
Motivate us, Lord, to do what needs to be done even when it is not easy or convenient.
Help us to adopt the discipline that discipleship requires.
We pray in the name of Jesus, whose discipline demonstrated Your Word made flesh. Amen.

Let us bring our silent confessions before a listening God.

Assurance of Grace

For God so loved the world that God sent the lamb of God to take away its sins. In Jesus Christ we are redeemed, eternally forgiven, and utterly beloved.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

Children's Message

Rev. Ashley Popperson

*The Lord's Prayer

*Passing of the Peace

Song

Where He Leads Me

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I can hear my Savior calling, I can hear my Savior calling,
I can hear my Savior calling, "Take my cross and follow, follow me."
Where he leads me I will follow, where he leads me I will follow,
where he leads me I will follow—I'll go with, with him all the way.

He will give me grace and glory, he will give me grace and glory,
he will give me grace and glory, and go with me, with me all the way.
Where he leads me I will follow, where he leads me I will follow,
where he leads me I will follow—I'll go with, with him all the way.

As the song is sung, children may meet their teachers
in Fellowship Hall for Church School.

We Receive God's Word

Scripture

John 1:29-42

Rev. Leanne Walt

Sermon

Discipline and Discipleship

Anthem

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light Kathleen Thomerson

We Respond to God's Love

Prayers of the People

Harry Solis

Call to Offering

Please sign and pass the Red Book (in aisle seats) so we may greet each other by name.
If you are with us for the first time, please add your contact information.

Offertory

Lift Every Voice and Sing

James Weldon and
J. Rosamond Johnson

*Doxology

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ the Word in flesh born low: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; One God, Triune, whom we adore:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

We Depart to Serve

*Hymn #680

O God of Every Nation

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*Benediction

Rev. Leanne Walt

Postlude

Trumpeting on "Azmon"
Karen Harvey, organ

Phil Lehenbauer

* Please stand, as you are able

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