



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.

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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 29, 2023

10:00 a.m.

We Gather in God's Name

Call of the Bell

Welcome and Prayer of Invocation

Rev. Leanne Walt

*Hymn #623

Woke Up This Morning

Spiritual

Oh, I woke up this morning with my mind, and it was stayed on Jesus.
 Woke up this morning with my mind, and it was stayed on Jesus.
 Woke up this morning with my mind, and it was stayed on Jesus:
 Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelujah.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Marybeth Shea

**Lord Jesus,
 You invite us to make a life with You and claim us as Your beloved friends and blessed followers.
 You bless us in our meekness and yet we cling to power.
 You bless us in our mercy and yet we cast judgment on others.
 You bless us in our poverty of spirit and yet we resist vulnerability.
 You bless us in our pursuit of righteousness and yet we avoid the discomfort it brings.
 Strengthen us to receive the fullness of Your blessing for which we long.
 Amen.**

Let us bring our silent confessions before a listening God.

Assurance of Grace

**Friends,
 Our God is one of grace who forgives our failures,
 Embraces our weaknesses,
 And extends to us a hand when we have fallen down.
 May the joy of our worship reflect the good news that is our faith:
 We are God's beloved and we are forgiven.
 Thanks be to God! Amen.**

Children's Message

Jenny Healy

*The Lord's Prayer

*Passing of the Peace

Song

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

Spiritual

v. 1 Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart.

In-a my heart, in-a my heart, in-a my heart, in-a my heart.
Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart. (in-a my heart.)

v. 3 Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart.

In-a my heart, in-a my heart, in-a my heart, in-a my heart.
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart. (in-a my heart.)

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

We Receive God's Word

Scripture

Matthew 5:1-12

Rev. Leanne Walt

Sermon

Aspiring Christians

Anthem

Come, Let Us Sing

Allen Pote

We Respond to God's Love

Prayers of the People

Marybeth Shea

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

Kum Ba Yah

Spiritual; Arr. Karen Harvey

*Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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

Here We Are

Karen Harvey

Here we are: gathered in this moment;
Here we are: standing in this place,
Worshipping one God, together in the Spirit:
Hear our prayer: May all our work be praise. (Repeat)

Through all our ministries, we feel You touch our lives.
May others always see Your light in our eyes.

Here we are: gathered in this moment;
Here we are: standing in this place,
Worshipping one God, together in the Spirit:
Hear our prayer, Hear our prayer,
Hear our prayer, Lord: AMEN!!

*Benediction

Rev. Leanne Walt

Postlude

Festival Piece on "Lobe Den Herren"
Karen Harvey, organ

Pierce Dickens

* Please stand, as you are able

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