



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.

Please note: This morning's service is being live streamed and will be broadcast by Harbor Media on Comcast and Verizon local channels. See announcements for details. The service is also available for viewing on our Vimeo channel and Facebook page.

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United Church of Christ Norwell

An Open and Affirming Church

March 3, 2024

10:00 a.m.

We Gather in God's Name

Call of the Bell John Kelso

Welcome Rev. Leanne Walt

Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn #86 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* FAITHFULNESS

Prayer of Confession (unison) Matt Hawk

Beloved Shepherd of green pastures and still waters, this life can so easily become busy. Our days can easily become crowded with deadlines and appointments, assignments, text messages and emails, practices, performances and games. We confess that there are times when we allow ourselves to be pulled in too many different directions, carried away by a multitude of competing concerns. We confess that there are times when we surrender to too many demands and commit ourselves to too many projects. Forgive us when our busy pace suppresses our deepest needs and truest longings. Help us to slow down. Help us to honor the Sabbath enough to hear Your still small voice, holding space for silence, solitude, rest and contemplation. Amen.

How might God be calling you to unplug in this season in order to more fully embody the love of Jesus? Take this quiet time to consider the ways.

Assurance of Grace
 The good news is the assurance of this grace: In Jesus Christ, God has taken us by the hand, forgiving our sins and lifting us up to new life. Sisters and Brothers in Christ, your sins are forgiven. Be at peace. Amen.

We Receive God's Word

Scripture	Psalm 46:10, Luke 5:12-16	
Sermon	<i>Unplugging from Busyness</i>	Rev. Leanne Walt
Anthem	<i>All to You</i>	Dana Mengel

We Respond to God's Love

Prayers of the People		Matt Hawk
Prayer Response	<i>In This Time</i>	SIVIS
	In this time of quiet rev'rence, God, fill us now with everlasting peace, and may each and ev'ry day we live bring true faith in your abiding love.	

Call to Offering

Please sign and pass the Red Book (in aisle seats) so we can greet each other by name.
If you are with us for the first time, please add your contact information.
You may also join our mailing list by texting Uccnorwell to 228-28.

Offertory	<i>Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us</i> Rockin' Ringers	BRADBURY; Arr. Susan Geschke
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*Doxology	<i>Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	TALLIS' CANON
	Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all creatures here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; one God, triune, whom we adore. Amen.	

*Prayer of Dedication

Hymn (seated)	<i>Here at Thy Table, Lord v. 1, 3</i>	BREAD OF LIFE
	Here at thy table, Lord, this sacred hour, O let us feel thee near, in loving power; calling our thoughts away from self and sin, as to thy banquet hall we enter in. Come then, O holy Christ, feed us, we pray; touch with thy pierced hand each common day; making this earthly life full of thy grace, till in the home of heaven we find our place.	

As the hymn is sung, children and youth return upstairs to their families.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Consecration

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit, come. Bless this bread, and bless this fruit of the vine.
People: **Bless all of us in our eating and drinking at this table that our eyes may be opened, and that we may recognize the risen Christ in our midst, in each other, and in all for whom Christ died.**

Words of Institution

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

(Grape juice, not wine, is served to all. Gluten-free is available in the center station.)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*The Lord's Prayer

*Passing of the Peace

We Depart to Serve

*Hymn #543 *Blessed Assurance* ASSURANCE

*Benediction

Postlude *Sortie* Douglas Wagner
Karen Harvey, organ

* Please stand, as you are able

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