



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

August 6, 2023

9:00 a.m.

We Gather in God's Name

Call of the Bell

Welcome

Rev. Chuck Wildman

Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn #4

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

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Prayer of Confession (unison)

Rev. Leanne Walt

Loving God, too often we live as if we do not know You. We can become so afraid of failure, so obsessed with urgency for money, success and power that we do not hear Your still small voice. So, we worry and fret about our daily responsibilities and are too-often driven by the fear of failure.

Forgive us, Lord. Help us to know Your healing presence. Guide us to recognize You in the large and small gifts of grace You share with us each day. Help us to accept Your empowering love dwelling with us every day.

Let us now bring our silent confessions before a listening God.

Assurance of Grace

The Apostle Paul writes that God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. God's love that we have been given conquers disappointment and death. It is stronger than our sin.

We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

We Receive God's Word

Scripture	2 Kings 5:1, 9-14, Matthew 14:13-21	Rev. Chuck Wildman
Sermon	<i>Naaman: Commander-in-Chief</i>	Rev. Chuck Wildman
Sermon Response	<i>Liebeslied</i> David Harvey, marimba Karen Harvey, piano	Fritz Kreisler

We Respond to God's Love

Prayers of the People Rev. Leanne Walt

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	<i>Gavotte en Rondeau</i>	Johann Sebastian Bach
	David Harvey, marimba Karen Harvey, piano	

*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

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.)

Communion Music	<i>Mighty Like a Rose</i>	Ethelbert Nevin
	David Harvey, marimba Karen Harvey, piano	

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*The Lord's Prayer and Passing of the Peace

We Depart to Serve

*Hymn #33	<i>How Great Thou Art</i>	<i>O STORE GUD</i>
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*Benediction

Postlude	<i>Triplets</i>	George Hamilton Green
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* Please stand, as you are able

Ways to Give

Give by cash or check in the offering plate.

Give by text: text the amount you wish to give to 844-738-0029.

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