

UNITED Welcome to worship at United Church of Christ Norwell. Whether you are a member of our church, a CHURCH frequent attendee, or a first-time visitor, know you are of CHRIST 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 27, 2023 9:00 a.m.

We Gather in God's Name

Call of the Bell

Welcome Rev. Leanne Walt

Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn #274 I Love Your Church, O God ST THOMAS

Sacrament of Baptism

Declan Welles Fitzgerald Child of Amber and Steve Fitzgerald

Invitation and Baptismal Vows

Pledge of Support

Deacon: Do you who witness and celebrate this sacrament promise your love, support, and care to the one about to be baptized, as he lives and grows in Christ?

People: We promise our love, support and care to Declan.

Act of Baptism

*The Lord's Prayer

*Passing of the Peace

Musical Response #366 Water, River, Spirit, Grace TRES RIOS Water, River, Spirit, Grace, sweep over me, sweep over me! Recarve the depths your fingers traced in sculpting me, in sculpting me.

We Receive God's Word

Scripture

Nehemiah 2:1-5

Sermon

Cast of Characters: Nehemiah the Builder

Rev. Leanne Walt

We Respond to God's Love

Prayers of the People

Betsy Brink

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.

You may also join our mailing list by texting Uccnorwell to 228-28.

Offertory

Ours the Journey Pick-Up Choir Julian B. Rush

*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!

We Depart to Serve

*Hymn #565

If You Will Trust in God to Guide You WER NUR DER LEBEN GOTT

*Benediction

Postlude

Postlude on ST. THOMAS Karen Harvey, organ

Arr. James C. Kasen

* Please stand, as you are able

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Give by cash or check in the offering plate. Give by text, text the amount you wish to give to 844-738-0029. Give online by scanning the QR code at right.



^{*}Prayer of Dedication