



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.

Our Prayground in the Sanctuary (right side) is a resource to help little ones come to worship in their own way. Coloring, reading, building, all of this is a beautiful offering of worship. Feel free to sit in the area and worship alongside your children.

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.

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United Church of Christ Norwell

An Open and Affirming Church

October 2, 2022

10:00 a.m.

We Gather in God's Name

Call of the Bell John Kelso

Welcome and Prayer of Invocation Rev. Leanne Walt

*Hymn #53 *Morning Has Broken* BUNESSAN

Prayer of Confession (unison) Jack Murray

Dear God,
We are so easily distracted, caught up in worrying about things that don't truly matter, keeping busy with tasks that do not fill us up or make good use of our gifts.
These distractions are chasms in our lives, valleys that separate us from one another and from you.
As individuals and as your Church, help us to let go of what drains us and take hold of what fills us with meaning and purpose.
Bring us to the feet of Jesus, where we are reconciled by his love to a healed and whole life. Amen.

Let us bring our silent confessions before a listening God.

Assurance of Grace
 Jesus came to heal our separation and repair the breach that we have allowed to grow. In him we know the full love of God and are forgiven.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

The Lord's Prayer and Passing of the Peace Rev. Leanne Walt

(Children may now meet their church school teachers in fellowship hall.)

Song *Hallelu, Hallelu*
Hallelu, hallelu, hallelu, hallelujah: praise ye the Lord! (2X)
Praise ye the Lord, hallelujah! (3X) Praise ye the Lord!

We Receive God's Word

Scripture Isaiah 58:9-12

Sermon *Called as Partners: All Together Now* Rev. Leanne Walt

Anthem *Christ Is in This Place* Allen Pote

We Respond to God's Love

Prayers of the People Jack Murray

Prayer Response *Break Thou the Bread of Life* *BREAD OF LIFE*
Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,
as thou didst break the loaves beside the sea;
beyond the sacred page I see thee, Lord,
my spirit pants for thee, O living Word.

Call to Offering Rev. Leanne Walt

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 *Take My Life and Let It Be* *MESSIAH*
Elizabeth England, oboe 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

Communion Hymn (seated) *Let Us Break Bread Together* Karen Harvey
1. Let us break bread together (3x); oh Lord, have mercy on me.
2. Let us share the cup of blessing (3x); oh Lord, have mercy on me.
3. When I pray in the morning... 4. Let us praise God together...

(As children 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

We Depart to Serve

*Hymn #422 *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* *LINSTEAD*

*Benediction Rev. Leanne Walt

Postlude *Allegro* G. P. Telemann
Elizabeth England, oboe Karen Harvey, organ

* Please stand, as you are able

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