



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

November 19, 2023

Stewardship Sunday

10:00 a.m.

We Gather in God's Name

Call of the Bell John Kelso

Welcome Rev. Leanne Walt

Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn #718 *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR*

*Children will bring our ingathering food items to the Communion Table.
 Food will be distributed to area food pantries.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving (responsive) Andy Schlosser

This is a time for giving thanks;
 a time to be mindful of the good that encircles us.
 Thank you, God, for all you have given us!

Friends and family encourage and care,
 and this community shows us God's loving ways.
 Thank you, God, for all you have given us!

We find a home in God's creation
 and the earth gives us good food to make us grow.
 Thank you, God, for all you have given us!

The seasons change.
 Sunshine comes and goes,
 yet your loving care for us is eternal.
 Thank you, God, for all you have given us!

~ from the Iroquois-Matilda Pastoral Charge

Stewardship Faith Witness

Andrew Bonica

Hymn Verse

For the Fruit of All Creation v. 3

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God;
for the good we all inherit, thanks be to God;
for the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Reception of New Members

Cynthia and Gary Stanton
Sponsors: Carl Isihara and Jane Shanny

Fred and Marilyn Bonk
Sponsors: Doug and Jean Holley

New Member Vows

*Congregational Welcome (unison) Denise Miller

We welcome you with joy into the common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and ministries of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love and be witnesses of a Christ who is alive and well and at work in the world.

Blessing of New Members

*The Lord's Prayer and Passing of the Peace

*Musical Response *Let All Things Now Living* ASH GROVE

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God our Creator triumphantly raise; who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, by guiding us on to the end of our days. God's banners are o'er us, pure light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth in the night; Till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness banished, as forward we travel from light into Light.

Children are dismissed to Church School (downstairs)
and youth dismissed to "Not" Church School (library).

We Receive God's Word

Scripture	Ezekiel 37:1-14	
Sermon	<i>Prophecy to These Bones</i>	Rev. Leanne Walt
Anthem	<i>The Promise of Living Sanctuary Choir</i>	Aaron Copland

We Respond to God's Love

Prayers of the People	Andy Schlosser
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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>Carillon and Bell Jubilee</i>	Margaret Tucker
	Celestial Ringers	

*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!

*Blessing of the 2024 Pledges

We Depart to Serve

*Hymn #715	<i>Now Thank We All Our God</i>	<i>NUN DANKET</i>
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*Benediction

Postlude	<i>We Gather Together</i>	Arr. Lani Smith
	Karen Harvey, organ	

* Please stand, as you are able

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