



Welcome and Announcements

Prelude/Candle Lighting

"Lucis creator optime"
(J. B. Fasolo)

Oxana Khramova

Ringling of the Bell

*Call to Worship (*Stand if you are able)

Leader: Eternal God, like Zacchaeus we are too small to see you.

All: But we want to see you. We want to greet you!

Leader: So you come to us, and invite us into your presence.

All: You come to us in Christ, and you call our names.

Leader: You come to us in scripture and in prayer, and you change our lives.

All: Alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, and transform us by your grace. Alleluia!

*Opening Prayer (in unison)

Spirit of Life, Jesus came to Zacchaeus and called his name. You are present with us now. Call to us, draw us closer to you, and change our hearts, in the spirit of Christ. Amen.

*Opening Hymn

"I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"

Hymnal #364

Readings

Lori Anda

Psalm 32:1-7

Luke 19:1-10

"Prayer for Reconciliation" by Pádraig Ó Tuama

Anthem

"Hymn of Fellowship"
(John Ness Beck)

Chancel Choir
attached

Sermon

"Together for Relationships"

Pastor René Mehlberg

Transitional Music

"Blessed Be the Tie That Binds"

attached

Prayers of the People

Message

"Dunn County Veterans Closet"

LaMont Meinen

***Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

Now we set aside the common for an uncommon purpose as we prepare for Holy Communion, the family meal of Christ's people. In this meal, we remember the life, teaching, witness, and death of Jesus. We celebrate his continued life among us. We remind one another that we are called to participate in Jesus' Way of extravagant welcome and service. Come prepared to be blessed. Come because God has food for you. Come because Jesus invites you...just as you are.

Great Thanksgiving

Leader: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to God.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to God.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Lord's Prayer

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Breaking Bread and Pouring Wine

Leader: Please join me in the words of institution over the bread:

People: **When he was among friends, gathered around a table, Jesus took bread and having blessed it, he broke the bread and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat. This is my body which is given for you."**

Servers will pass this gluten free bread among you. As you take a piece of bread, hold it until everyone is Served. We will eat the bread together, as a symbol of our unity, a world-wide Christian community.

Distribution Hymn

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

Hymnal #513

Leader: Please join me in the words of institution over the wine:

People: **In the same way, Jesus took wine and having given thanks for it, he poured it out and gave the cup to his disciples, saying, "This cup is the new relationship with God, made possible because of my life and my death. Take this-all of you-to remember me."**

Servers will pass the juice and wine among you. The juice is dark red; the wine is white. Drink the cup as soon as you have been served in recognition of your individual relationship to God.

Distribution Hymn:**"Let There Be Peace on Earth"**

SoF #82

Let there be peace on Earth and let it begin with me;
Let there be peace on Earth; the peace that was meant to be.
With God our Creator, children all are we;
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.
Let peace begin with me; Let this be the moment now;
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment, and live each moment in peace eternally...
Let there be peace on Earth and let it begin with me.

***Prayer of Dedication (in unison)**

Generous One, for the blessings and bounty you have given us, we give back to you to help the lost, the hungry, the hurting, the forsaken. Guide us in stewarding these gifts for all your creation and your children to experience care, connection, community, and love. Amen.

Closing Hymn*"Every Time I Feel the Spirit"**

SoF #158

Benediction**Sung Benediction (unison)**

**God be with you till we meet again;
Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a Shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.**

Postlude**"Let All Things Now Living"**
(arr. M. Hayes)

Oxana Khramova

The flowers today are in celebration of Than Win's 72nd birthday on Saturday, Nov. 1st from his wife and daughter, Doris and Emily Win. Happy Birthday Than!

Credits

- Call to Worship and Opening Prayer taken from "Unfolding Light: Daily Reflections and Worship Resources" by Steve Garnaas Holmes; <https://unfoldinglight.net/2022/06/19/ot-31-21st-sunday-after-pentecost/>; used with permission.
- Tuama, Padraig O. "Prayer for Reconciliation" Daily Prayer with the Corrymeela Community (p. 66). Kindle Edition.
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This Week**Tuesday, November 4: 9am-12pm Artz Girlz, FH; 5:30 Mission for Peace and Justice, R1****Wednesday, November 5, 10am: Care Ministries, R1****Wednesday, November 5: 4pm Kid's Club, 5:30pm Chancel Choir; 6:30pm Bell Choir****Thursday, November 6, 9am-12pm: Tour of Homes Crafts, R1**

Link to the full church calendar: <https://www.menomonieucc.org/monthlycalendar>

Mission Statement of First Congregational United Church of Christ in Menomonie, WI

We are called together:

To celebrate God's presence.

To help each person to grow in his or her relationship with God;

To create a welcoming and supportive community of all God's people, affirming the diversity of race, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender expression, and identity, social and economic status, and the differently abled;

To observe and share life's passages and our faith traditions;

To reach out in love seeking justice and peace;

And to tell the old story of Jesus and His love.

Land Acknowledgement

Here we congregate on Ojibwe, Dakota, Menominee, Potawatomi, and Ho Chunk land. Generations of Indigenous people occupied and provided careful stewardship of this land long before Europeans arrived on these shores. The traumatic dispossession of this land by European immigrants and the displacement of countless individuals produced collective suffering that has repercussions for our Indigenous neighbors today. The original inhabitants of this land—known to some Indigenous peoples as Turtle Island—took seriously the Creator's call to be stewards of air, land, water, and creatures. With gratitude, we acknowledge the lessons we continue to learn from our Indigenous neighbors as we seek to be good stewards and pray for guidance in learning how to make reparations.

ONA Covenant

We covenant as a congregation to welcome, celebrate, and include lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning people and their families into the full life of our church. We take this stance publicly and proudly, knowing that silence is inadequate to confront the violent theology that is widespread throughout the Christian church. We covenant to support lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning people and their families with our prayers, words, and actions.

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

GRAND ISLE Irregular

John Henry Hopkins, 1940
As in *The Hymnal 1940*

Lesbia Scott, 1929; adapted

1. I sing a song of the saints of God, Pa - tient and
 2. They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, And God's love
 3. They lived not on - ly in a - ges past, There are hun - dreds of

brave and true, Who toiled and fought and lived, and died
 made them strong; And they fol - lowed the right, for Je - sus' sake,
 thou - sands still; The world is bright with the joy - ous saints

For the Lord they loved and knew. And one was a
 The whole of their good lives long. And one was a
 Who love to do Je - sus' will. You can meet them in

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass staff for the piano accompaniment and a single staff for the voice. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The score is divided into three systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The first system contains the first three lines of the hymn, the second system contains the next three lines, and the third system contains the final three lines. Chord symbols (C, Am, G, Em, F, G7, D7) are placed above the vocal line to indicate the harmony. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes, providing a harmonic foundation for the voice.

F Dm G C Am

doc - tor, and one was a queen, And one was a shep - herd-ess
 sol - dier, and one was a priest, And one was slain by a
 school, or in lanes, or at sea, In church, or in trains, or in

F G7 C Am Em

on the green: They were all of them saints of
 fierce wild beast: And there's not an - y rea - son,
 shops, or at tea; For the saints of God are just

F G7 C Am F Dm C G7 C

God, and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.
 no, not the least, Why I should - n't be one too.
 folk like me, And I mean to be one too.

Hymn of Fellowship

Setting by John Ness Beck

Congregation and choir in unison

In Christ there is no East or West, in
Him no South or North; but one great fel - low - ship of love Through -
out the whole wide Earth. In Him shall true hearts
ev - 'ry - where Their high com - mun - ion find; His ser - vice is the
gold - en cord Close bind - ing hu - man kind. Join
hands then loved ones of the faith, What - e're your race may be! Who
serves my Fa - ther as a child Is sure - ly kin to me. In
Christ now meet both East and West, In Him meet South and North; All
Christ - ly souls are one in Him Through - out the whole wide Earth.

Choir only

Blessed Be the Tie That Binds

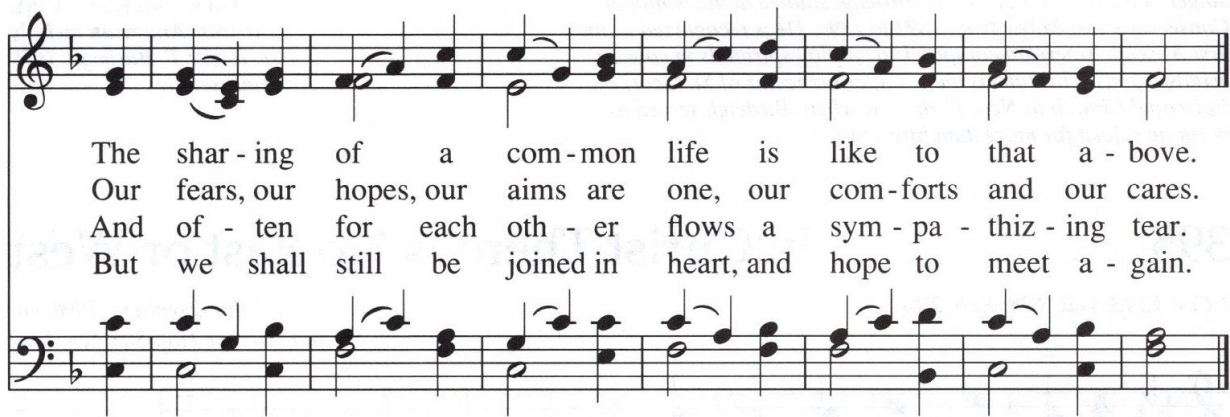
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John Fawcett, 1782; alt.

Gal. 3:28; 6:2; Col. 3:13–15



1 Blessed be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris - tian love;
2 Be - fore our God we come and pour our ar - dent prayers;
3 We share each oth - er's woes, each oth - er's bur - dens bear,
4 When we are called to part it gives us in - ward pain,



The shar - ing of a com - mon life is like to that a - bove.
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
And of - ten for each oth - er flows a sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
But we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.

An English Baptist minister, John Fawcett published a number of poetic works. His entire ministry was spent at a church near Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire, where he wrote most of his hymns to follow his sermons.

Tune: DENNIS S.M.
Melody by Johann G. Nägeli (c. 1768–1836)
Adapt. Lowell Mason, 1845

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Let Us Break Bread Together

LET US BREAK BREAD 10.10 with refrain

African-American spiritual

African-American spiritual

Arr. Melva Wilson Costen, 1988

1. Let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees; (on our knees;)
 2. Let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees; (on our knees;)

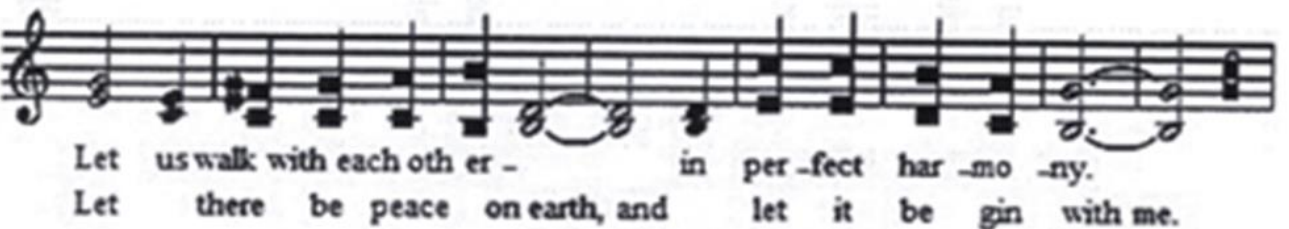
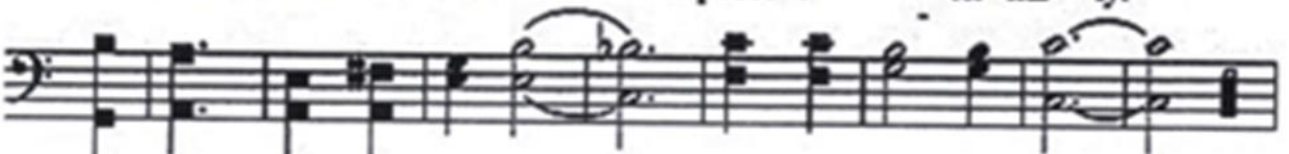
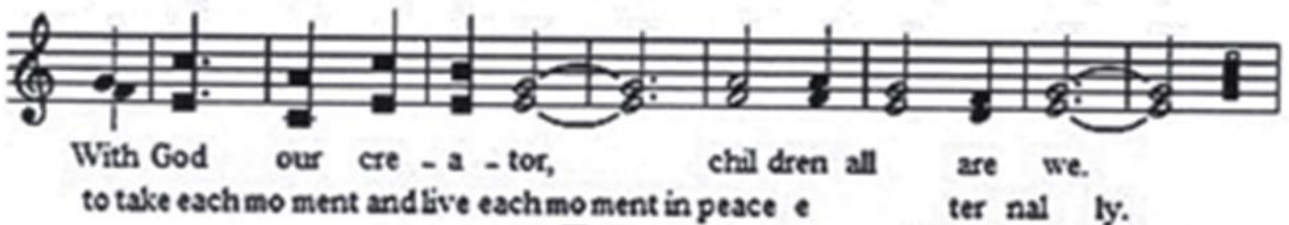
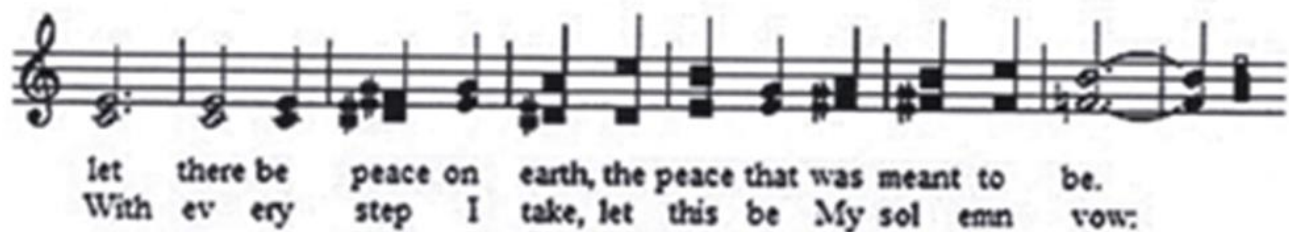
Let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees. (on our knees.)
 Let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees. (on our knees.)

Refrain

When I fall on my knees, With my face to the ris - ing sun,

O Lord, have mer-cy on me. (on me.)

Let There Be Peace on Earth



Every Time I Feel the Spirit

PENTECOST Irregular

African-American spiritual
 Arr. Joseph T. Jones (1902-1983)
 Adapt. Melva W. Costen, 1989

African-American spiritual

Refrain

Ev - ery time I feel the Spir - it mov - ing in my

heart I will pray. Yes, ev - ery time I feel the

Spir - it mov - ing in my heart I will pray. *Fine*

1. Up - on the moun - tain, when my Lord spoke, Out of God's

2. Jor - dan riv - er, chil - ly and cold, It chills the

mouth came fire and smoke. Looked all a - round me,
bod - y but not the soul. There is but one train

it looked so fine, Till I asked my Lord if all was mine.
up-on this track; It runs to heav-en and then right back. *D.C.*