

You shall love the

Lord your God



with all

your heart

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

July 10, 2022

We welcome all who are visiting with us today.

It is good to have you in worship with us. Please introduce yourself to Pastor Phil this morning and let us know if there is any way we might be of service to you or your family.

Silent Reflection: "For you all think God is one who rewards good and punishes evil, but I say to you that God is one who loves you and has compassion for everyone. You just have to pray to Him and believe in Him. He will always be your guiding light." ~ **Martin Luther King, Jr.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELLS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: God calls together a divine council to render judgment.

God holds a plumb line to measure our faithfulness.

ALL: Who can stand before the judgments of God?

How shall we know what God expects of us?

ONE: Lift up your prayers for God's mercy.

Earnestly seek to know the ways of truth and salvation.

ALL: Can we distinguish faithfulness from popular success?

What must we do to inherit eternal life?

ONE: God's judgment comes to all nations of the earth.

God's covenant with us involves care for all people.

ALL: Will God deliver us from the hands of the wicked?

Will God put an end to wanton treachery?

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Righteous God, we confess our easy compliance with ways of the world. We are happy to accept advantages for ourselves that are unavailable to many. We do not call oppressors to account or recognize our own oppressive ways. We pass by many who suffer, as if their suffering were no concern of ours. Our practice of the faith gives neither offense nor inspiration. We are troubled when we see ourselves this way. Redeem us, O God! Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRI

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN ALL OF US

Prayer for the children (*unison*):

We send blessings upon our children for all God's love,
all Christ's friendship and all the caring of the
Holy Spirit. Amen.

Song Response

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

SCRIPTURES:

Amos 7: 7-17

Colossians 1: 1-14

Luke 10: 25-37

HYMN

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

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SERMON

HYMN

We Meet You, O Christ

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INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC

GIVE THANKS:

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son. And now let the weak say "I am strong," Let the poor say "I am rich," because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*unison*)

May these gifts and our lives bear fruit in many good works, increasing among all people knowledge of God, patience and endurance, wisdom and understanding, love and joy. We would act with compassion toward one another and toward neighbors near and far. Thankful for the mercy you have shown us, we pledge ourselves and these offerings to extend mercy to all. Amen.

PRAYERS OF OUR CHURCH/SILENT PRAYERS/LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face; and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace.

* HYMN

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

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Words and Music: African-American spiritual

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

SERVING YOU TODAY

Council Person

John Zweck

Accompanist

Melody Hollis

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

St. John's: Ella Boggy, Nancy McCaw, Cindy Roll, and the family of John Roll

St. Jacob: Ross Busher, Carol Casperson, Ken Frutiger, Brian Meyer, Gail Miller, Ronald Rujawitz, Jane Schmidt, Jerry Schmitt, Liam Tedford, Carol Zweck, and DiAnn Rufer's friend Karen

IL South Conference: Each week the churches of the Illinois South Conference are asked to pray for congregations and their pastors and other ministries of the UCC. This week we are asked to pray for:

Church & Pastors

-Plum Hill St. John's UCC, Rev. Don Jones

-Red Bud St. Peter UCC, Pastor Cory (Geraldine) Hartz

Retired Pastor

- Rev. Elmer and Linda Bowman Jr., Trenton, IL

CHURCH ATTENDANCE Sunday, July 3, 2022

St. John's – 14

St. Jacob – 40

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

Pastor's office hours: Tuesday through Thursday: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
(Mondays by appointment)

Secretary's office hours: Tuesdays & Thursdays: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Pastor Phil Barbier: Phone: 314-312-2347 / E-mail: pastor@hometel.com

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Don & Beth Hanser, 35 years, July 10

Patti Woods, July 12

Melody Hollis, July 13

Charles Zwick, July 15

Dian Gansmann, July 16

Robbie Meyer, July 16

DUBOIS 6.0 CAMPAIGN UPDATE

DuBois Center Capital Campaign has raised more than \$190,000, nearing its goal of \$225,290. Several projects have been completed; and several other projects have been funded but not yet completed so as not to interfere with kids at camp. **Projects completed:** Oak Lodge HVAC, Oak Lodge windows, office windows, rustic cabin, program director's house improvements **Projects funded, but not yet completed:** Deep water solar lake aerator, boat house solar power, fence painted. For more information visit: <https://iscucc.org/dubois-6-0-campaign>. Donations may be sent to the Illinois South Conference office at 1312 Broadway, Highland, IL. 62249 or online at the Conference or DuBois Center websites: www.iscucc.org and www.DuBoisCenter.org.

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CALENDAR/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday: Vacation Bible School, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Tuesday, July 19 (rescheduled): ELFs meet at 10 a.m. (group photo scheduled).

2022 CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTO DEADLINE IS JULY 28

We are planning on publishing a 2022 church directory later this year, as our last one was printed in 2005. We are scheduling appointments to have individual & family portraits taken in 10-minute increments each Tuesday and Thursday (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.) through July; and Sunday (11:30 a.m. to 12:35 p.m.) 3, 10 & 17. **Deadline to schedule appointments is Thursday, July 28.** Portraits will be taken in Heritage Hall. To schedule an appointment, you can choose your timeslot on the appointment book located on the table in the Narthx following service, or you may call 618-644-2142; or e-mail the office: stjucc@hometel.com

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

The flowers on the altar are to the Glory of God and in honor of our grandson Robbie as he celebrates his 11th birthday on July 16, from Grandpa Charlie and Grandma Carol Kynion.

HOYLETON'S BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Donations are being requested for Hoyleton's Back to School Supply Drive. School is just around the corner and Hoyleton is on a mission to make sure every child has the supplies they need for their education. Please drop your donations off NLT July 31 at the back of the Sanctuary at St. John's and in the office area behind the Sanctuary at St. Jacob. *See the insert for the supply list, and additional details.*

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are still needed to help with the free school lunch program. Lunches are provided each day, however, St. Jacob UCC is only responsible for Thursdays and Fridays. Lunches are served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the St. Jacob grade school. Volunteers are needed from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., to pack lunches, and cleanup afterward. To volunteer call Judy Bolton at 618-830-0526.

***** THE UPPER ROOM** (July-August) magazines are available on the table in the Narthx at St. Jacob UCC

FIRST LESSON. Amos 7:7-17

This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.' 'Now therefore hear the word of the Lord. You say, 'Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac.' Therefore thus says the Lord: 'Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parceled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land, and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land.'"

SECOND LESSON. Colossians 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

GOSPEL. Luke 10:25-37

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."



Hoyleton Youth & Family Services Back to School Supply Drive

Donations Requested



- 12 Count Colored Pencils
- 12 Count Washable Markers
- 24 Count Box of Crayons
- 3 Ring Binder (1" - 1.5")
- Backpack (No Wheels)
- Dry Erase Markers
- Glue Sticks
- Highlighters
- Ink Pens (Blue, Black, and Red)
- Kleenex
- Hand Sanitizer
- Loose Leaf Paper 500 Ct. College Ruled
- Loose Leaf Paper 500 Ct. Wide Ruled
- No. 2 Pencils
- Pink Erasers
- Pocket Folders
- Rulers
- Scissors
- Single Subject Spiral Notebook College Ruled
- Single Subject Spiral Notebook Wide Ruled
- 32 GB USB Flash Drive
- Pencil Box
- Pencil Envelope

How to Help

Visit our Amazon wishlist! <https://a.co/3ZgF9C5>

Drop off supplies at Hoyleton Youth & Family Services: 8 Executive Dr. Ste 200 in Fairview Heights between 8am-4pm on Monday, August 1. Or by appointment July 25 - July 29.

For more info contact Lynn at 618-688-4742 or lselden@hoyleton.org

Checks may be sent to:
Hoyleton Youth & Family Services
#8 Executive Dr. Ste 200
Fairview Heights, IL 62208
Memo line: School Supplies



