



LET US
WORK

FOR THE
GOOD
OF ALL

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

July 3, 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:

"When the solution is simple, God is answering." ~ Albert Einstein

ANNOUNCEMENTS RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELLS PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: The realm of God has come near.

Enter this time of worship with joyous expectation.

**ALL: We will extol you, O God, for you have drawn us up.
You rescued us from the pit and restored us to life.**

ONE: Sing praises to God, all faithful ones.

Give thanks to God's holy name.

ALL: We have known your favor, O God, in many ways.

You have healed us and turned our morning to dancing.

ONE: Rejoice in the work you are given to do.

Give thanks that your names are known to God.

ALL: We will praise you, O God, and not be silent.

We will give thanks to you forever.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Gentle God, angry God, gracious God, we know we have let you down in many ways. We have not lived up to your high intentions for us. You send us out as ambassadors of peace, and instead we pick fights with our sisters and brothers. You commission us to travel light, and we become bogged down with our possessions. You ask us to help ease the burdens others carry, but we add to them. You call us to joy in your inclusive realm, but instead we create our own ghettos. Patient God, will you forgive us again? 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:

2 Kings 5:1-14

Psalm 30

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

HYMN

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

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SERMON

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*)

With gratitude for your gracious favor, we dedicate these gifts. May they help others as we have been helped. May they reach out in spirit of gentleness to restore to community those who are alienated. May they announce to the world that the realm of God is among us, waiting to be claimed. By these resources, may your name be praised here and in many other places. Amen.

HYMN

One Bread, One Body

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SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

ONE: Jesus said: I am the bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger;
you who believe in me shall never thirst.

**ALL: In company with all who hunger for spiritual food, we come to this
table to know the risen Christ in the sharing of this life-giving bread.**

COMMUNION PRAYER

ONE: God be with you

ALL: And also with you

ONE: Lift up your hearts

ALL: We lift them to God.

ONE: Let us give thanks to the God Most High.

ALL: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

ONE: Holy God, our loving Creator, close to us as breathing and distant as the
farthest star, we thank you for your constant love for all you have made.
We thank you for all that sustains life, for all people of faith around the
world and of every generation who have given themselves to your will, and
especially for Jesus Christ, who you sent from your own being as our Savior.
We praise you for Christ's birth, life, death, and resurrection, and for the
calling forth of your church for its mission in the world.
Gifted by the presence of your Holy Spirit, we offer ourselves to you as we
unite our prayers with the entire family of your faithful people, everywhere
and in every time:

ALL: Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the Highest!

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the Highest!

ONE: Merciful God, as sisters and brothers in faith, we recall anew these words and acts of Jesus Christ.

At his final meal with his disciples, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Jesus did the same with the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Therefore, let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

ALL: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

ONE: Pour out your Holy Spirit on this bread and cup, and on us, your children. Bless all of us in our eating and drinking at this table that our eyes may be opened, and we may recognize the risen Christ in our midst, in each other, and in all for whom Christ died.

ALL: Through Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND POURING OF THE WINE

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (unison)

Bountiful God, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

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

Sent Forth By God's Blessing

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Contemporary Worship 4: Hymns for Baptism and Holy Communion (Admin. Augsburg Fortress)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

SERVING YOU TODAY

Council Person

John Zweck

Accompanist

Melissa Taylor

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

St. John's: Ella Boggy, Nancy McCaw, and Cindy 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

-Pana United in Faith, Rev. Leon (Kay) Goff

-Pinckneyville St. Paul UCC, Rev. Jason (Petrice) Eisele

Retired Pastor

- Rev. Jean Carmean, O'Fallon, IL

CHURCH ATTENDANCE Sunday, June 26, 2022

St. John's – 14

St. Jacob – 52

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Jane Schmidt, July 4

Carol Prange, July 5

Sandy & Nancy Autry, 50 years, July 6

Thomas & Nancy McCaw, 66 years, July 7

BEST CHOICE LABEL COLLECTION

The ELF's organization is collecting Best Choice labels/UPC portion (proof of purchase). There is a box on the table in the Narthx to place the labels.

HALO PROGRAM NEEDS GIFT CARD DONATIONS

Hoyelton's HALO program (Healing and Loving Oneself) is in need of gift card donations. HALO provides resources, counseling and mentoring to high-risk youth and young adults ages 11 to 25. Youth are at-risk or confirmed survivors of human trafficking and sexual exploitation. Gift cards should be in denominations of \$10 and can be from Wal-Mart or Dollar General. You may leave the gift cards in the offering plate, drop them in the basket on the table in the St. Jacob Narthx, or drop them off at the church office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTEERS, DESSERTS NEEDED FOR SOS SOUP KITCHEN

Volunteers are needed to help cook and serve meals July 7 at SOS Soup Kitchen, Collinsville, IL. Volunteers will meet at Collinsville UCC at 4 p.m., and start serving at 5:30 p.m. Also, we need people to donate homemade desserts too. For more information, or to volunteer to help, contact Dawn Mersinger, 618-792-4316.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SET FOR JULY 12

St. Jacob UCC Vacation Bible School will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., July 12. All are welcome -- learning and activities for youth ages 3 (potty trained) to 11 years; and opportunities to serve for ages 12 and older. The theme is "*Making a Big Splash with Jesus.*"

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

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

2022 CHURCH DIRECTORY

We are planning on printing 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 your appointment, you can choose your timeslot on the appointment book located on the table in the Narthx following service, or you may call the office at 618-644-2142.

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

FIRST LESSON. 2 Kings 5:1-14

SECOND LESSON. Galatians 6:(1-6), 7-16

(My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads. Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.) Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

GOSPEL. Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

