

THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF PLAINVILLE
Founded in 1840

A Congregation of the United Church of Christ

A “God is Still Speaking” Church

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**The Order of Morning Worship
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

October 15, 2017

10A.M.

We offer a warm welcome to all who have come here today. May you receive God's comfort, insight and inspiration through worship, prayer and song.

** All who are able may stand*

Announcements and Celebrations

Extravagant Welcome

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We Prepare to Hear God's Word

Prelude

Simple Gifts

Widmor

(Silent preparation for worship begins with the appreciation of this music offering)

Call to Worship

One: You invite us to worship, O God, and we rejoice

All: We set the anxieties of our daily lives aside

One: You invite us to worship, O God, and we give thanks

All: We realize the full extent of your wonderful gifts

One: You invite us to worship, O God, and we open ourselves

All: We experience your love so graciously shown in Jesus

One: You invite us to worship, O God, and we respond

All: Let us praise God with our lips and our lives!

***Opening Hymn**

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

NCH #472

Unison Prayer of Invocation

Gracious God, like a parent you nurture and encourage us. Through your word and spirit you show us new possibilities. Strengthen us through our worship and reflection, to grow in understanding and in love, that we may be agents of your love, in all the world as we join our voices together in saying the prayer Jesus taught his disciples...

The Lord's Prayer

Our father, 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

A Story for All Ages

* the children arrive to the Chancel to the “traveling music” of:
Jesus Loves Me! NCH #327

* the children depart to their classrooms to “traveling music” of:
In the Bulb There Is a Flower NCH #433

Anthem *The Summons ~ Chancel Choir* Bell

Prayer of Confession

There are so many obstacles to our faithfulness O God: We like our comfortable and routine existence, and it is hard to change. The invitation comes to try out new skills, to risk faithfully, but we turn it down. Family and friends and social commitments take up so much of our time, that we are not open to new possibilities. Forgive us God when we miss your call your invitation to new adventures in faith to partake in new experiences and dreams for your world.

Words of Assurance and Grace

God daily offers us new beginnings. All we have to do is accept the invitation. So rejoice! Step out and move on, filled with courage and God’s love.

***Gloria Patri** PH #513
Glory be to the Father [Creator], and to the Son [Christ], and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

We Hear God’s Word

Centering Hymn *Be Not Dismayed* NCH #460

The Scripture Reading **Matthew 22:1-14** p. 24

Sermon *Are You Coming?*

We Respond to God’s Word

**Sharing our Joys and Concerns with God and each other
Pastoral Prayer**

Message of Christian Concern Mary Fuller
Invitation to Share

The Offertory *Orgelstuck* Knecht

*** The Doxology**

NCH #780

Praise God for whom all blessings flow. Praise [God] all Creatures here below. Praise God above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father [Creator], Son [Christ], and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

For food in a world where many walk in hunger; for faith in a world where many walk in fear; for friends in a world where many walk alone, we give you humble thanks, O God. Amen.

***Closing Hymn**

Holy, Holy, Holy

NCH #277

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction**

We Are the Church ~ Congregation & Choir

see insert

Postlude

Voluntary

Taylor

Thank you this morning to:

Deacon in charge: Al Valeri

Trustee in charge: Ken Hodge

Greeters: Deanna & Frank Hoxie

Ushers: Diana Drachenberg and Ken Hodge

Nursery caregiver coordinated by: Donna Blanchard

This morning's Coffee Hour provided by The Thrift Shop

Please remember to help yourself to a line on the sign-up sheets for Ushers, Greeters, Coffee Hour! As a matter of courtesy and welcome to those who may be visiting, please take a moment to pick up your name tag on the wall in the narthex....and put it on.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sun (10/15)	9:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship
	11:30 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal
	11:30 a.m.	Scrip Order Available (Kelsey Hall)
	11:30 a.m.	EVCG Committee Meeting (Library)
	7:00 p.m.	NA
Mon (10/16)	10:00 a.m.	Al-Anon
	6:00 p.m.	Worship Team Meeting (Library)
	6:30 p.m.	Zumba (Kelsey Hall)
Tues (10/17)	10:30 a.m.	AA
	7:00 p.m.	Church Council Meeting (Library)
	7:00 p.m.	AA
Wed (10/18)	6:15 p.m.	Yoga (Kelsey Hall)
	7:00 p.m.	NA
	7:30 p.m.	Chair Yoga (Kelsey Hall)
Thurs (10/19)	1:00 p.m.	Coffee Hours (Dunkin' Donuts)
	6:00 p.m.	Amadeus Ringers
	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scout Leader Meeting (Library)
	7:00 p.m.	NA
	7:00 p.m.	Plainville Wind Ensemble (Kelsey Hall)
	7:15 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Fri (10/20)	7:00 p.m.	NA
Sat (10/21)	4:00 p.m.	CCP at the Plainville PumpkinFest
	6:30 p.m.	NA
	7:00 p.m.	A Showcase of Talent (Kelsey Hall)
Sun (10/22)	9:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship
	11:30 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal
	11:30 a.m.	Short & Sweet Stewardship Kick-off & All-Church Meeting (Kelsey Hall)
	5:00 p.m.	RI
	7:00 p.m.	NA

Rev. Barbara McClellan, Deacon

Peter Peluso, Interim Director of Chancel Choir & Organist

Karen Hodge, Bell Choir and Children's Choir Director

Teresa Talarico, Church Administrator

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In our Prayers this week, we remember: Ense Vastola (Steve Vastola's mom), Steve Vastola, Shirlee and Tommy McCormack (Bev Letendre's cousins), victims of the Las Vegas shooting, those affected by Hurricane Nate, Breast Cancer Patients & Survivors, John Dombroski (Sandy Dombroski's brother), Ross Whitman (Marianne Wright's father's cousin), Anna Mae Vaillant (Eleanor Kordes's sister), Julie Zaleski, Ron McClellan, Vern (Rinette Yanez's brother-in-law), Maria (Thrift Shop Customer), Steve Best (Brian & Becky Silvernale's friend), Ann Campbell, those affected by Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico and the Caribbean and the latest Earthquakes in Mexico, the Wazorko and Manafort families, Lauralee Colella, Jocelyn Michaud's sister-in-law and children in Texas, Cassie Proctor, Marie (Rinette Yanez's friend), Kenji Holmgren and parents, Ed (Ann Campbell's friend), Bob Shove (Annie Vastola's friend's grandfather), Joe (Lisa D'Urso's brother), Geraldine and Diane (Eleanor Kordes's daughters), Steve Vastola's Mom and all those affected by Hurricane Irma, those affected by the Fires in the West and the Earthquake in Mexico, Justin (Richard Carsey's friend), Maria (Yuki Palmer's friend), Diane & her Aunt Janice (Ann Campbell's friend), those affected by Hurricane Harvey, Mark Nappiani & residents of Katy, TX (friend of Steve Vastola), Doreen (Frank Hoxie's sister), Frank Hoxie, Jim Parker, Marcia (Ann Campbell's neighbor), Maria's son Dan (Becky Silvernale's friend), Dennis and Brenda, Diane (Eleanor Kordes's niece), Marie, Alan Therriault, Paul & Anne Cormier (Beth Fraychek's brother-in-law and wife), Dennis Fox (Joyce Lagana's brother), John Dombroski (Sandy Dombroski's brother), Asa Jagger Letendre (Bev & Herve's grandson), Danielle & Michael Letendre and families, Diana Drachenberg, Lyndon Philpot (Diana Drachenberg's brother), Gail Coté, Chris Edge, Lance (Lauralee's boss), Pat (Beth Fraychek's sister-in-law), Axel Sundberg (Kyle Wright's friend), Victims of Barcelona terror attack, Victims and 1st Responders of fires in Eureka & Lolo, Montana, Aaron Gudema (Eleanor Kordes's brother-in-law), Jackson Anderson, Alana Devich, Leslie Urbanski, ***and the families and friends of:*** Kathy Donahue, Ted Christopher, Dolores Kelley, Jennie Violette, ***as well as members and friends serving in the military:*** Justin Meyers, Spencer Pelletier, Renny Astolfi Sr., James Palmer, Mark Terrill, Ryan Steikers, Shawn Ellis, Cody Temple & Quinn Coughlin.