

THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF PLAINVILLE

Founded in 1840

A Congregation of the United Church of Christ

An Open & Affirming and “God is Still Speaking” Church

*The Congregational Church of Plainville serves the community
in the Spirit of Christ.*

All Welcomed. All Valued. All Loved.



**The Order of Morning Worship
Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost**

October 17, 2021

10A.M.

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

Pastorale

Wilbur Held

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please take this opportunity to silence your phones. Thank you.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bless us in your divine grace. Bless us in your divine grace, bless us in your love, and bless the bread on the tables, the hands of those who work, the dreams of those who resist, who still sing and hope. Bless us as we walk in your ways, give us your strength and vision, may your peace give an end to death, to hate, and to all injustice; bless us as we seek an abundant life. Bless us.

PREPARATION OF THE HEART AND LORD'S PRAYER

(a minute of meditative prayer to prepare hearts for worship)

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.

ANTHEM

Sing For Joy

Henry Purcell, arr. Hal Hopson

MESSAGE OF CHRISTIAN CONCERN

Holly Glenzer

OPENING HYMN

For the Beauty of the Earth

NCH #28

TEACHING THE CHILDREN

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Nicole Guglietta

* the children depart to their classrooms to "traveling music" of:

Jesus Loves the Little Children

(using "Native, Asian" instead of "Red and Yellow")

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

PSALM READING

Psalms 104:1-9, 24

GOSPEL READING

Mark 10:35-45

SERMON

A Culture of Grace, pt. 1

JOYS & CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

(Please go to the In Our Prayers This Week section as we silently and prayerfully read each name, holding each person that name represents in the Light of God. Rev Don will close the time of silence with some words of prayer.)

RESPONDING TO GOD'S LOVE

INVITATION TO SHARE

THE OFFERTORY

How Great Thou Art

arr. Jason Tonelli

DOXOLOGY

NCH #780

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all Creatures here below. Praise God above ye heavenly hosts, Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Parent God, may this offering assist us in continuing Christ's work in the world to heal the grief, transgressions, and illnesses that oppress and harm your creation.
Amen.

SCATTERED TO SERVE*Carrying Out the Light of Christ into the World*

BENEDICTION

**Somewhere there is a home
A place of return
Of reunion
Safety and security
Of peace
A communion of friends,
equals
Not only in God's eyes
But ours too
Believing in that home
Gives us hope and strength

I will work to make that home
A house for you, for me**

**For us
I want to live there
With you
My children and yours
My parents and yours
My ancestors and yours

I will work to make that home
Today, tomorrow,
And in the days to come
Join me when you can

(Claudio Carvalhaes)**

POSTLUDE

With One Acord

Dan Locklair

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service <i>~In-person Worship will be live-streamed via Facebook~</i>
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Theology Book Club
Thursday	7:15 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal

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*We hope you received God's comfort, insight and inspiration through worship, prayer and song that carries with you through the week.*

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In our Prayers this week, we remember:

Brian Gorneault (Sandy Dombrowski's son), Amanda, Ellen Muccino (Dave Mazurek's sister), Emily Christiansen, Lisa Torres (Pam Christiansen's friend), Students & Educators, Healthcare Workers, Essential Workers, Charlene Archambault, Marilyn Borry, Cliff Carlson, John Dombroski, Sandy Dombroski, Ronnie Greco, Charlotte Karabin, Tommy McCormack, Bobbi & Norm Turcottte, Leslie Urbanski

The families and friends of: Nancy Merrow, Martin Grabeck, Sr., Ron McClellan, Gloria Prelli (Raegan Armata-Wazorko's friend), John Borry, Andrew Nowak (Beth Fraychak's brother-in-law)

Members and friends serving in the military: Renny Astolfi Sr., Thomas Heslin, Beth Smith, Mark Joseloff, Adam Smith, Spencer Pelletier, James Palmer, Mark Terrill, Ryan Steikers, Shawn Ellis

For peace, wisdom, and compassion in our communities, state, nation, and world and in the leaders therein.

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**The Rev. Don Erickson, Senior Minister**

Jackie Harris-Stone, Director of Music Ministries

Teresa Talarico, Church Administrator

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