

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-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 14, 2021

10A.M.

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

PRELUDE *Improvisation on "Come Teach Us Spirit of Our God"*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

OPENING HYMN *Come, Teach Us, Spirit of Our God* NCH #287

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come into this time of worship by the new and living way in Christ Jesus.

We come with true hearts in full assurance of our faith.

Come with joyful expectation.

We gather in full confidence of the gospel's promise.

Let us praise God together and open ourselves to the power of the Holy Spirit

That we may encourage and support each other to love our neighbors as ourselves and to be God's instruments of grace.

PRAYER OF SELF-INSIGHT (CONFESSION) *Dorothy McRae-McMahon*

We own our humanness, O God.

We know that there have been many moments when we have failed to be true to the hope of the reign of God and the unity we know is found in you.

We have not always received the gifts which lie within our differing human journeys or in the insights which we could share.

We have been tempted by the power and realities of our own stories rather than the wonder of new life with each other.

Forgive us, loving God, and call us on to truly walk with you.

This we pray in hope and faith. Amen. *(followed by silence)*

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

God, in Christ Jesus, holds us in love
and will lead us into a new journey together
and a future filled with hope. We are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

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.

ANTHEM *The Gift of Love* Hal Hopson
MESSAGE OF CHRISTIAN CONCERN Ruthe Boiczuk

TEACHING THE CHILDREN

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

* 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

HYMN *How Firm a Foundation* NCH #407
OLD TESTAMENT *1 Samuel 1:4-20*
PSALM *Psalms 16*
GOSPEL *Mark 13:1-8*
SERMON "Always End Time"

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE *Amen* Hal Hopson

RESPONDING TO GOD'S LOVE

CLOSING HYMN *I Would Be True* NCH #492

BENEDICTION

What endures is not the edifices we build, but the work of God that we accomplish through our ministries in the name of Christ Jesus. Let us go forth from here empowered by the Holy Spirit to be God's instruments of justice rooted in love to further the work of Jesus and to move us closer to God's reign of peace.

INVITATION TO SHARE

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.

POSTLUDE *Postlude from Sacred Suite* Robin Dinda

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:

Henry Mazurek, Ray Bellamy, Cindy Potter, Joan (Ed Boiczuk's cousin), Gabriel Smykla, Martha (Russ Drachenberg's cousin), Annalise (Jackie Harris-Stone's friend's daughter), Jason Guglietta, Paul Hawes (Sue Piercy's brother), Brian Gorneault (Sandy Dombrowski's son), Amanda, Students & Educators, Healthcare Workers, Essential Workers, Charlene Archambault, Marilyn Borry, Cliff Carlson, John Dombroski, Sandy Dombroski, Charlotte Karabin, Tommy McCormack, Bobbi & Norm Turcotte, Leslie Urbanski

The families and friends of: Byron Treado (Bonnie Mazurek's friend), Bruce Bull, Chuck Hoover (Mariann Wright's friend), Nancy Merrow

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

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## 2021 CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

We are please to announce that we will once again be offering Christmas Poinsettias! Participants will have the opportunity to donate Poinsettias in honor or remembrance of someone special in our lives. The plants will then be given to those members that need to be remembered by our Church during this season. The beautiful plants are purchased through Karabin Farms in Southington CT. They are delivered to the church and displayed in the sanctuary during the Christmas week services, with the names of the donors and those they are honoring or remembering listed in the bulletin. **There will be one line for each donated plant.**

This year, once again, we will also take orders for plants that may be wanted for personal use. You will be asked to pick the plants up at the church on Saturday, December 18th. These plants **will not** be noted in the bulletin.

The plants are \$10 each. Please use the order form below to indicate your contact information and how many donated plants and/or how many personal plants you wish to purchase. You may attach multiple forms together if needed. **The order deadline is Sunday, December 12th, 2021. No order will be accepted without payment.**

Checks (made out to C.C.P.) or Cash will be accepted. Orders and payment may be sent to the Church office. This floral ministry of the church is coordinated through the Diaconate, the Minister, and the Church Office.

Thank you for participating in this beautiful ministry.

### 2021 Poinsettia Order Form

**Order Deadline: Sunday, Dec. 12, 2021**

**Price: \$10.00 each (All orders require prepayment)**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

- A. I would like to donate \_\_\_\_ (# of plants) in honor/memory of the following people. These plants are donated to the church for distribution to persons to be determined by the Minister and Diaconate. Please circle Honor or Memory in each notation. (This is a tax-deductible contribution)

In Loving Honor/Memory (circle one) of \_\_\_\_\_

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In Loving Honor/Memory (circle one) of \_\_\_\_\_

- B. I would like to order \_\_\_\_ (# of plants) for personal use. I will pick up at church on Saturday, Dec 18th. These will not be noted in the bulletin. (\$2.25 of the cost of each plant is a tax-deductible contribution to the church.)

Total # plants (A+B) \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to:

The Congregational Church of Plainville, UCC

Send checks and completed forms:

The Congregational Church of Plainville, UCC

130 West Main Street

Plainville, CT 06062

Office use:

Cash

Check # \_\_\_\_\_