

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
Seventh Sunday of Easter**

May 29, 2022

10A.M.

* please stand in body and/or spirit

WELCOMING THE INWARD LIGHT OF CHRIST

PRELUDE *Native American Prelude* Joy G. Barr

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

MINDFULNESS & PEACE

SABBATH POEM *Dirge Without Music* Edna St. Vincent Millay

HYMN *Alleluia (Rest in God's Peace/Let God's Love In)* J. Sinclair

MINDFUL QUIET (3 minutes)

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.

PASSING THE PEACE / BOW OF PEACE

SPECIAL MUSIC *God's Eye is On the Sparrow* Charles Gabriel

LOVE & JUSTICE

OUR OPEN & AFFIRMING WAY (in unison)

Looking into the eyes of our fellow human beings, we see in each one a uniquely created child of God. We welcome and celebrate all the different gifts each one brings to our community of faith. We recognize and affirm the many ways in which we differ from one another - age, race, cultural background, economic status, family structure, religious tradition, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, physical, intellectual, and developmental differences. Our desire is to welcome and affirm all those who come together to live out the vision God has for us, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit at work in our midst; to create a community of faith; to share in the worship of God and in making God's will dominant in the lives of all people, individually and collectively; to realize Christian community and unity within this Church and the Church Universal; to render loving service to the whole of creation; to educate seekers, through Scripture and witness; and to strive for righteousness, justice and peace, as set forth in the life, teachings, death and living presence of Jesus. Amen.

MESSAGE OF CHRISTIAN CONCERN

Lynette Astolfi

WISDOM & TRUTH

*HYMN

How Beautiful, Our Spacious Skies

NCH #594

GOD-TALK FOR YOUNG ONES

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

Jesus Loves the Little Children

All the children of the world.

Native, Asian, Black and White

They are precious in his sight.

Jesus loves the little children of the world.

PSALM READING

Psalm 97

*GLORIA PATRI (alternate)

Glory be to Divine Love,

To the Loving One, and to the Breath of Love.

As it was in the beginning

is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.

GOSPEL READING

John 17:20-26

REFLECTION

“What God Do We Worship?”

*HYMN

Immortal Love, Forever Full

see insert

RESPONDING TO THE EXPANSIVE LOVE OF GOD

JOYS, SORROWS OR CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

INVITATION TO SHARE & PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

*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.*

*CLOSING WORDS

POSTLUDE

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Mark Albrecht

*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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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 ~ Gospel Song Study
Thursday	7:15 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal

Today's Deacon in Charge:

Barbara McClellan

In our Prayers this week, we remember:

Marianne Wright, Sue Piercy, Charlotte Karabin, Donna Zapatka, Walter and Jackson (Robin Anderson's sons), Tommy McCormack (Bev Letendre's cousin), Ray Bellamy (Beth Fraychak's friend), Diane, Gail Boyea (Ruthe Boiczuk's sister-in-law), Jessie Carlson & family, Cassandra, Kaara Koplowitz, Frank Hoxie, Peggy Walton (Dave Ryan's mother), Katie Zenuh (Marilyn Ronewicz's niece), Students & Educators, Healthcare Workers, Essential Workers, Charlene Archambault, Marilyn Borry, Sandy Dombroski, Fran Rose, Gabriel Smykla, Bobbi & Norm Turcottte, Leslie Urbanski

The families and friends of: Annaliese Sabonis, Tom Kozlak, Chris Smith (Sue Piercy's Grandson's Dad), Mark Ouellette (Michael Fraychak's cousin), Beulah Robinson (Beth Fraychak's aunt), Jean Haltner (Russ Drachenberg's aunt), Walter Shelton (Herve Letendre's friend)

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.

Announcements

Strengthen the church

The Strengthen the Church (STC) Offering reflects the shared commitment of people across the United Church of Christ to cooperatively build up the UCC. Conferences and the national setting equally share the gifts given by members and friends through their local congregations. The funds raised support leadership development, new churches, youth ministry, and innovation in existing congregations. By your generosity to this offering, you build up the Body of Christ.

Our Strengthen the Church offering will be collected on **June 5th**. Contributions can be made online at any time.

Chair Yoga:

We are pleased to be offering an upcoming 4 week Chair Yoga session on Mondays beginning June 6th to June 27th from 6:15 to 7:15 PM. Sign up and payment required to hold spot.

Interested.. Questions? Contact Bonnie Soucy at dodowndog@gmail.com