



*All Welcomed. All Valued. All Loved.
An Open & Affirming and “God is Still Speaking” Church*

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



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

July 6, 2025

10 A.M.

May you receive God's comfort, insight & inspiration through worship, prayer & song.

** please stand in body and/or spirit*

PRELUDE

For the Beauty of the Earth

Conrad Kocher

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

NCH #286

OPENING PRAYER

COMMUNION

(via intinction)

SACRED SILENCE *(for personal reflection and centering)*

With reverence and faith and love, stay near, O God. Amen.

COMMUNION LITANY

"The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body broken for you"

O God, just as this broken loaf was scattered over the hill as grain, and, having been gathered together, became one; in like fashion, may your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

Because yours is the glory and the power through Jesus Christ forever.

The Body of Christ, the Bread of Life...

In remembrance of our Lord Jesus, Our Way, Truth, and Life

"In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant effected by my lifeblood poured out for you."

O God, just as this juice comes from a gathering of grapes grown on a vine rooted deep, in like fashion, may we be rooted in the Vine that is Christ, and bear good fruit together as we look to your kingdom.

Because yours is the glory and the power through Jesus Christ forever.

The Lifeblood of the New Covenant, the Cup of Wholeness...

In remembrance of our Lord Jesus, Our Way, Truth, and Life

RECEIVING OF ELEMENTS *(walk to Communion table, take bread, intinct bread in juice in chalice, partake, and return to seat)*

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.

*GLORIA PATRI

***Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
World without end, Amen, Amen.***

JOYS, SORROWS OR CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN	<i>O Love That Will Not Let Me Go</i>	NCH #485
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SCRIPTURE READING	2 Corinthians 4:13-18
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MINDFUL MINUTE

MEDITATION	"Faith Through My Lens"	Savannah Cote
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*HYMN	<i>How Beautiful, Our Spacious Skies</i>	NCH #594
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*INVITATION TO GIVE

*PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

We give you thanks, Wise God, for cultivating generosity within us and alerting us to the needs around us. Use these gifts for the expansion of your will on earth and the blessing of your beloved. In your name and in hope, we give these gifts. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY

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

*PREPARING FOR THE WEEK	<i>Prelude in G Minor</i>	JS Bach
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Join Us for Beloved Community & Coffee in Kelsey Hall after Worship

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday 10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Wednesday 10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship at Panera, Bristol

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Today's GCT Member in Charge:

Jocelyn Michaud  
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In our Prayers this week, we remember: Anne Cormier (Beth Fraychak's sister-in-law), Silver Lake Summer Staff, Jenna (Jocelyn Michaud's daughter), Savannah Cote, Lenny & Jane, The Erickson Family, Susan Davis (Beth Fraychak's friend), Bill Calder's friend Dave's wife, Mickey Mastrianni (Bonnie Mazurek's friend), Jason Zakrzewski, John Borry, Jr., Donna Allen, Oscar Hernandez, First Responders, Marilyn Borry, Sharon Erickson (Rev. Don's mother), Joie-Marie Mazurek, Melissa Mazurek, Barbara McClellan, Jocelyn Michaud, Stormi Morrison (Donna Zapatka's cousin), Claranne Parker, Sue Piercy, Gabriel Smykla, Bobbi Turcotte, Linda Valeri

The families and friends of: MN State Rep. Melissa Hortman & Mark Hortman, Shirley Parziale, Erika Turgeon

Members and friends serving in the military: Noah Westkott, Jason Guglietta, Bryant J. Cruz, Aiden, Jady, Isaiah, Rayne, 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**  
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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### C.C.P. PRESENTS... A CHILDREN'S SUMMER SERIES!

The Congregational Church of Plainville, UCC and Plainville Early Learning Center are excited to be teaming up for a three-part **Children's Summer Series**. The series kicks off with a performance of *Puppets & Music with Jumpin' Jamie* on Sunday, **July 13th at 3:00 p.m.!** Jumpin' Jamie was named one of "New Jersey's Top Kids Rock Acts" by Mommy Poppins. Jamie performs high energy "kindie rock" music for kids of all ages.

### GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

A *Grief Support Group* will begin on Tuesday, **August 12 at 7 pm** in Parlor. This first session will be more of a get to know you and an introduction to the 12 bi-monthly sessions that will follow. Please *RSVP* by contacting Rev Don or the church office.

### BACKPACK COLLECTION

We will once again be collecting backpacks and supplies for children in need over the summer months. There is a collection bin in the narthex, and the Community Care Team asks all of us to put this on our radar as the sales on back-to-school supplies begin. Those of you with school-age children might want to involve them as you make choices. We expect the need to collect for about 20 children. More information to follow as it becomes available. This collection will conclude **August 17th**. Thank you.

### SAVE THE DATE

**Saturday, September 6th**, the church will host a *Pasta Dinner* from 4:30 - 7pm. For \$10 per person (*children under 7 free*), attendees will receive a complete pasta dinner and be able to view historical items spanning 175 Years or more displayed in the sanctuary. *Dinner will be available for Dine-In or To-Go.*

**Sunday, September 7th**, the church will host a special 175th Anniversary Service at 3 p.m., followed by a *Plainville's Got Talent Concert & Ice Cream Social*. For \$8 per person, guests receive an ice cream sandwich provided by *The Wheely Cool* & a concert highlighting a variety of local talent.



## CELEBRATING 175 YEARS!

As of July 31<sup>st</sup>, The Congregational Church of Plainville, UCC's historic building and steeple will have defined Plainville's skyline for 175 years!

To commemorate the 175th Anniversary of the church building, we will be inviting the local community to join us for several events we will be hosting the first weekend of September. On Saturday, **September 6<sup>th</sup>**, the church will host a ***Pasta Dinner*** and a chance to view historical items spanning 175 years or more, including Florence Trumbull Coolidge's wedding dress. On Sunday, **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, the church will host a special ***175th Anniversary Service*** followed by a ***Plainville's Got Talent Concert & Ice Cream Social*** on the front lawn.

### ***"Many Hands Make Light Work"***

In order to make our **Historic Celebratory Weekend** a great success we need all the help we can get. We will have many opportunities to volunteer between now and September. Please keep an eye out for sign-up sheets and announcements. For now, here are a few ***very important and time sensitive volunteering opportunities*** to prayerfully consider.

#### **Advertising Team**

In honor of our celebration, we are planning to publish a commemorative program book that includes interesting information from our church's history as well as advertisements from local businesses. We are looking for a team of volunteers to approach local businesses to ask if they would like to purchase *Advertising Space* in our commemorative program. An introductory letter and order form will be provided to hand out to the businesses you approach. We also have a list of suggested businesses to talk to if you are looking for ideas. Ads are due to the office by August 1<sup>st</sup>, so the ideal time to approach businesses will be early in the month of July. If you are interested in being a part of this very important team, please either sign up on the sheets in Kelsey Hall or contact the office.

#### **Celebration Sponsorship**

Another highlight of our commemorative program will be the listing of ***Celebration Sponsors***. We are looking for individuals and families who would like to be a part of the celebration by purchasing a *Celebration Sponsorship*. Celebration Sponsors will have their names listed in the program and their donation helps to offset the costs of our celebratory weekend. This will allow us to make a larger investment to the Save Our Steeple Fund as all proceeds from the weekend will go to the Fund. Please complete a Sponsorship form and return it to the office by August 1<sup>st</sup>. Forms are available in the Narthex, Kelsey Hall and in the office. A form can also be sent to you via email, just let the office know.

#### **Canopy Tents**

Our Concert & Ice Cream Social on September 7<sup>th</sup> will be on the front lawn. We are looking for any members who have pop-up canopy tents that they can let us borrow and help set up for the event. If you have one available, please either sign up on the sheet in Kelsey Hall or let the office know.

**Thank you so much for your consideration!**