



**The Congregational
Church of Plainville**
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

*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
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 22, 2024

10 A.M.

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

* please stand in body and/or spirit

PRELUDE

Concerto in E, Mvt 3

P. Diero

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*WORSHIP COVENANT

O God, we covenant to worship you with our true selves, selves created in your divine image and for relationship with you. We place before you our vulnerabilities and humanness. Encompass us with the light of your Grace. We look to your perfect Love, O Beautiful God. Fill our emptiness with your Love as we lift our hearts to you in word, in song, and in truth. Show us your wisdom and compassion. Amen.

SELAH

(a moment of pause & preparation)

*HYMN

God Is Truly with Us

NCH #68

OPENING PRAYER

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.*

ANTHEM

Amazing Grace

arr. D. Moore

MESSAGE OF CHRISTIAN CONCERN

Ruthe Boiczuk

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

the children depart to their classroom

JOYS, SORROWS OR CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN *Blessed Assurance* NCH #473

SCRIPTURE READINGS *Mark 9:30-37*

PASTOR'S MEDITATION "The Gospel of Presence"

*HYMN *Lord, I Want To Be a Christian* NCH #454

*INVITATION TO GIVE

*PRAYER OF GRATITUDE (in unison)

Gracious God, we give you thanks for all the gifts we receive from you and pray you receive our gifts for your kingdom. May they be a blessing and gift in our extended community and the world. 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.*

*SELAH *(a moment of pause & preparation)*

*CLOSING PRAYER

POSTLUDE *Hornpipe* S. Wesley

Please Join Us for Coffee Hour in Kelsey Hall after Worship

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday	9:15 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		<i>~In-person Worship will be live-streamed via Facebook~</i>
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship at Panera, Bristol
	7:00 p.m.	God Talk @ C.C.P.
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal

Today's GCT Member in Charge: Jocelyn Michaud & Robin Anderson

In our Prayers this week, we remember: The Ryan Family, Savannah Cote, The Zakrzewski Family, Eileen (Abby Zakrzewski's godmother), Susie (Julie Zaleski's friend), Ronnie Planz (Beth Fraychek's brother-in-law), John DiCastro (Bill Calder's friend), Robert Ross, Mary Lafountain & family, Darrell Theriault (Beth Fraychak's cousin), Sebby Berarducci, Stormi Morrison (Donna Zapatka's cousin), Sharon Erickson (Rev. Don's mother), Elizabeth Farnum (Teresa Talarico's mother), Joie-Marie Mazurek, Marilyn Borry, Barbara McClellan, Claranne Parker, Sue Piercy, Gabriel Smykla, Bobbi Turcotte

The families and friends of: Hans David Shmigelsky (Teresa Talarico's cousin), Rosemary McNally, Linda (Jocelyn Michaud's friend), Regan Martins, Keith Granger (Barbara McClellan's nephew), Norm Turcotte

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.

The Rev. Don Erickson, Senior Minister
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C.C.P. presents... Fall Lights Paint Night

Light up the Fall Nights with a beautiful *Glass Votive Candle Holder*! Join us for a fun night of creativity and Fall-themed refreshments while producing a personal work of art to take home! \$15 for adults, FREE for kids (*fee includes all supplies and a votive candle; a portion of the proceeds benefits the Save Our Steeple Fund*). Please RSVP to the Church Office for this event by **October 4th** - Call 860-747-1901 or via email at churchoffice@uccplainville.org or sign-up in the Narthex.

6 WEEK CHAIR (OR) FLOW YOGA SESSIONS

Mondays: September 23rd & 30th, October 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
6:15 to 7:15 p.m. *Chair* / 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. *Flow*

Please contact Bonnie to register! *fair pricing is attendance based as usual. sign up and we will work thru the fees* Contact Bonnie Soucy RTY-500 at dodowndog@gmail.com or call/txt 860-573-1186

SAVE OUR STEEPLE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Our *Save Our Steeple Capital Campaign* is under way! There are many ways **YOU** can help us reach our goal.

Our next event to promote the *Save Our Steeple Capital Campaign* to the community will be **October 19, 2024** at the *Plainville PumpkinFest*. C.C.P. will once again have a booth at the Plainville Pumpkinfest. We will need volunteers to help man the booth by passing out info about Save Our Steeple and handing out treats & running the games for the young & young at heart. This is always a very fun event with lots of ghouls & goblins. ***Sign-up sheets will be in the Narthex beginning October 1st.***

Save the Date!!

November 9, 2024 - Snowflake Fair - We will need volunteers to help out for our biggest event of the year! Very excited to say we will be running with a full slate of Crafters & Vendors for the 2024 Snowflake Fair! PELC will be supplying our Luncheon from 11am -2pm. **New** this year we will be having Selfies with Santa, Children's Mini-Games, Make & Take Ornaments (\$2 donation towards the SOS Fund) and a Historical Display in the library!