Church of Christ, Congregational United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming Congregation

Our Mission

We seek to be a Christian community

by worshiping God through prayer, music, and the proclaimed Word.

Following Christ's example,

we enthusiastically reach out to everyone with compassion, respect and love so that we may grow in faith and commitment together.



April 6, 2025

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Worship God, Serve our neighbors, Share God's love

Sunday April 6, 2025 at 10:00am

*Indicates standing if you are able B = Black Hymnal R=Red Hymnal

Prelude: Be Thou My Vision

Trad. Irish

Welcome/Announcements

Gathering Music: When Jesus Wept

*Call To Worship

One: Called by God, we have come to worship.
All: Called by Christ, we have come to follow.
One: Called by the Spirit, we have come to rejoice.
All: Called together, we will listen and pray.
One: Let us worship God!

*Opening Prayer (together)

Holy One, help us to center ourselves in the beauty of this place, in the gift of this day, in the blessing of one another those with whom we walk and share the road of life. Open our hearts to your loving presence as we come together to worship you in Christ's name. Amen.

*Hymn B#224 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Passing the Peace of Christ

One: May the peace of Christ be with you. All: And also with you.

Scripture Reading Matthew 5:1-11 "The Beatitudes" **Sermon** "Journeying Amid Confusion" by Howard MacMullen

*Hymn B#202 O God How We Have Wandered

The Church at Prayer Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Our Personal Prayers in Silence Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (please use the wording with which you are most familiar.) 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Prayer Response Be Still And Know

A Time of Offering

Offertory Anthem The Upper Room

By Pepper Choplin

*Sung Presentation "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below Praise God above your heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

*Prayer of Dedication (together)

God of new life, out of the abundance of our lives we offer these gifts to you. May they become a source for hope and love in this church family, and in the community beyond us, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Hymn B#43 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

*Benediction

May the Lord bless you and keep you, may he make his sunshine upon you and be gracious unto you. May he lift his countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen.

Postlude Power of the Cross

arr. Tornquist

Please stay for fellowship following the service.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

M&M's (Monday Morning Needlework Group)

Join us from 10am-12pm in the parlor. Bring your handwork or just come to socialize, we'd love to see you there!

Pastoral Emergencies

If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Pastor James via phone Call or text (774)-993-9407

Christian Origins Book Club

Next meeting, April 13th at 11:15am, in the Parlor Please read chapter 5 & Conclusion

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, April 6

10:00 am ~ Worship 11:00 ~ Refreshments

Monday, April 7 ~ M& M's

10:00am-12:00pm in the Parlor

Saturday, April 12

6:00pm Community Dinner & Movie

Sunday, April 13 Palm Sunday

10:00 am ~ Worship & Communion
11:00am ~ Refreshments
11:15am ~ Christian Origins Book Club
Meets in the Parlor

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, April 17 ~ 6:00 pm Maundy Thursday Potluck Dinner & Service

Friday, April 18th ~ 7:00pm Good Friday Meditative Service

Easter Sunday, April 20

6:30 pm Sunrise Service 7:00 am Community Breakfast 10:00 am Worship

Saturday, April 26 ~ 7:00 pm Talent Show