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“WELCOMING, LOVING, SERVING, WHERE GOD HAS NO LIMITS”

Please take a moment to sign the attendance pads, (located at the end of each pew) so that you know who is worshipping near you and you may greet them by name.

**Those who are able please stand*

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE “Above All” -arr. Phillip Keveren

Cathy Fafrak, Pianist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

*OPENING HYMN

“Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

Attrib. to Dorothy A. Thrupp (1779-1847)

BRADBURY 8.7.8.7.D.
William B. Bradbury, 1859



1 Sav-ior, like a shep-herd lead us, much we need your ten - der care;
2 We are yours, in love be - friend us, be the guard-ian of our way;
3 Let us al - ways seek your fa - vor; let us al - ways do your will;



in your pleas - ant pas-tures feed us, for our use your folds pre - pare.
keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.
Je - sus Christ our on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us, yours we are;
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear your chil - dren when we pray;
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***CALL TO WORSHIP** (posted on Facebook by the Rev. Amy Gopp from Kent UCC)

Leader: Please remember,

People: your job is the dream of the unemployed.

Leader: Your house is the dream of the homeless.

People: Your smile is the dream of the depressed.

Leader: Your health is the dream of those who are sick.

People: Beautiful things happen when you distance yourself from negativity

Leader: Help us rest together in gratefulness in this worship of you, our God.

People: Whose mercies are new every morning. Thanks be to God. Amen!

ANTHEM "Marching' On Up" – arr. Mark Hayes

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURES Isaiah 40:10-11, 28-31 and Matthew 9:35-38

Deb Waldron, Liturgist

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Stacie Yates

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Leader: Father, mother, parent God, so many of us do not know what to do in times like this.

People: We feel lost and anxious and sad and fearful. But you are not absent in our sorrow.

Leader: We come to you in our distress. Calm and quiet our souls as we enter your presence.

All: *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: You are the Great Physician, and as such we ask that you will heal those suffering from sickness right now.

People: **We pray that you will bring strength to their bodies and joy to their souls. Draw those who mourn into the warmth of your comfort. Open us up to welcome and draw others into grace.**

Leader: We pray over those reckoning with all kinds of diagnoses during this uncertain time.

All: *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: We ask that you will protect the most vulnerable, those so easily dismissed by others but loved deeply by yourself.

People: **We pray over your image-bearers living in jail cells, on streets, or in tents. Be gracious to those who have fled from violence, corruption, or poverty only to be rejected, abused, and ignored. Protect them and keep them. Forgive us for overlooking your children, because we're too busy looking at ourselves.**

People: Help us to see others, to love them, to serve them.

All: *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: Guard the elderly.

People: **Keep those who can't have visitors from discouragement and despair. Be their comfort. Be their friend, their counselor. Oh God, protect our nursing homes, care facilities, and retirement communities.**

Leader: Like the army of angels surrounding Elisha, we ask you to surround these places.

All: *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: We ask for wisdom for our leaders, our administration, our governors, and all those making hard decisions in this uncertain time.

People: **You promised if we ask for wisdom, you will give it.**

Leader: We plead for the wisdom of Solomon for each person you have put in positions of power and influence.

All: *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: We pray against the racism and xenophobia evident in our country, our leadership, and even ourselves. Heal the wounds of racial trauma and grant resilience to those who constantly bear the burden of racism.

People: **You, God, so loved the world. Help us to do the same.**

Leader: Draw us closer together, across any line that might divide us.

All: *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: Provide strength for those struggling with addiction.

People: During a time of stress and boredom, we can so easily turn to bottles or screens or patterns of behavior that only harm us more.

Leader: Deliver us from temptation.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: We pray for your Church, O God.

People: We have a chance now more than ever to speak truth and display love to a hurting world. Help us not to squander this opportunity, God. We've messed up time and time again, and we've led people to believe you're not as good as you truly are. Forgive us and move through us now.

Leader: Grant discernment to our pastors and strength to all your Church, that through this time we may declare your glory, offer your compassion, give of your goodness, work toward justice, and faithfully build your kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Amen.

RESPONSE

"Children of the Heavenly Father" (vs. 1-2)

Caroline V. Sandell-Berg, 1855;

TRYGGARE KAN INGEN VARA 88.88

Swedish melody



1. Children of the heaven-ly Fa-ther safe-ly in his bos-om gath-er;
2. God his own doth tend and nour-ish; in his ho-ly courts they flour-ish;
3. Nei-ther life nor death shall ev - er from the Lord his chil-dren sev - er;
4. Though he giv- eth or he tak- eth, God his chil-dren ne'er for- sak- eth;



nest-ling bird nor star in heav-en such a ref- uge e'er was giv - en.
from all e - vil things he spares them; in his might-y arms he bears them.
un - to them his grace he show-eth, and their sor-rows all he know-eth.
his the lov - ing pur-pose sole - ly to pre-serve them pure and ho - ly.

SERMON "PROJECT: Build"

Rev. Luke Lindon

RESPONSE

"Children of the Heavenly Father" (vs. 3-4)

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

There is an offering plate by the East Room and by the tower doors if you feel led to deposit your envelope or an offering there. You can also give through our Realm app or text-to-give by texting 73256 and following the prompts. Thank you for your prayerful consideration!

Offering Invitation

We offer our time, talent, and treasure to this community as an act of faith. May what we give bind us closer together and draw us closer to your kingdom. For you welcome us into this family of faith; Our God, our brother Christ, our Spirit who binds us together, one God in community forever! From you, all blessings flow!

*Doxology (*Thomas Ken, 1674; adapted*)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit, Comforter: One God, triune, whom we adore. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

Despite all the evidence to the contrary, we believe that your way of peace, justice, mercy, and compassion will ultimately prevail over the way of violence, exploitation, oppression, and fear. Keep us together, urging one another on, supporting each other all the way until we arrive in your beloved community. All thanks and praise to you, our rock and our redeemer. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. You do not need to be a member of the United Church of Christ to partake in the Holy Sacrament.

Invitation to the Table

Leader: Jesus said, I am the bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger; you who believe in me shall never thirst.

People: **In company with all believers in every time and beyond time, we come to this table to know the risen Christ in the breaking of the bread.**

Leader: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to God.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to God most high.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Prayer

People: **Holy God, our loving Creator,
close to us as breathing and distant as the farthest star,**

Leader: we thank you for your constant love

People: **for all you have made.**

Leader: We thank you for all that sustains life for all people of faith in every generation

People: who have given themselves to your will, and especially for Jesus Christ whom you have sent from your own being as our Savior.

Leader: We praise you for Christ's birth, life, teachings, death, and resurrection

People: and for calling forth your church for its mission in the world.

Leader: Gifted by the presence of your Holy Spirit,

People: we offer ourselves to you as we unite our voices with the entire family of your faithful people everywhere.

Response

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Text & music: Anon., Argentina

Choir sings 1st time, congregation joins in 2nd time

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My
heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, God.

The image shows two staves of musical notation. The first staff is for the choir and the second is for the congregation. The music is in 6/8 time and G major. The lyrics are written below the notes.

The Words of Institution

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Jesus our Christ, our brother, friend, and teacher. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, who binds us together as one, even though we depart from your table. Thank you, Gracious One, for all you do for us. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**

"How Firm a Foundation"

1. How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
2. "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,
is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!
for I am thy God and will still give thee aid;

The image shows two staves of musical notation. The music is in 2/2 time and B-flat major. The lyrics are written below the notes.



What more can he say than to you he hath said,
I'll strength-en and help thee, and cause thee to stand



to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
up - held by my righ-teous, om - ni - po - tent hand.

"K" in Rippon's Selection of Hymns, 1787

FOUNDATION 11.11.11.11
Early American melody

***BENEDICTION** ("Everyone Arrives" by the Rev. Dr. Lori Walke)

Leader: It feels like some things are missing from the prophecy given to Jeremiah about Your promised day, Holy One:

People: "See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here."

Leader: There's not a threshold for words-typed-per-minute.

People: **You do not ask for anyone's forty-yard dash time.**

Leader: There are no degree requirements or citizenship tests.

People: **No one has to show work history.**

Leader: It's like You're not even worried about keeping a particular pace, much less getting ahead.

People: **Quite the opposite, in fact. It sounds like no one arrives until everyone arrives.**

Leader: Your kingdom come, your will be done, Holy One.

People: **Help us to make it on earth as it is in heaven in our work this week
With resolve in our hearts, we pray until we gather here again. Amen.**

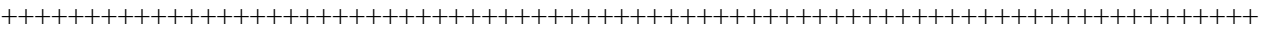
***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "God Be with You"**

**God be with you 'til we meet again; By His counsels guide uphold you;
With His sheep securely fold you; God be with you 'til we meet again.**

***POSTLUDE** "Jubilee" from Partita on "Foundation" - Alice Jordan

Cathy Fafrak, Organist

"MORE THAN CHURCH ON SUNDAY"



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THERE ARE NOW SEVERAL WAYS TO GIVE:

You can give of your treasure in the offering plates in the back of the sanctuary,
send your offering via mail
or online at uccmedina.org/give.

Or you can **text UCCMEDINA to 73256** and follow the prompts.

Thank You for your continued support!

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THE PILGRIM MESSENGER

NOVEMBER 7, 2021

**“WELCOMING, LOVING, SERVING, WHERE GOD HAS NO LIMITS.
MORE THAN CHURCH ON SUNDAY!”**

Live streaming of the Sanctuary service is available at www.uccmedina.org/live

November 7, 2021, thru November 14, 2021

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS
8:15 am	Chapel Service
9:00 am	Gathering Worship
9:15 am	Choir rehearsal
10:30 am	Traditional Worship
3:00 pm	Creggane – Irish Folk Music Concert
4:30 pm	Youth Group
Mon	6:30 pm Women’s Bible Study
Tues	7:00 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm Worship Tam
Wed	10:30 am Quilters 6:30 pm Bell Practice 7:00 pm Gathering Band Rehearsal

Thurs

Fri

Sat

Sun	STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY
8:15 am	Chapel Worship
9:00 am	Gathering Worship
9:30 am	Bell Choir Warm-up
10:30 am	Traditional Worship
11:45 am	Mission Team
3:00 pm	Confirmation Class

THE LAST MONTHLY BOOK DISCUSSION

We'll round out our Trinity of Book Studies with a book about SERVE on **November 15th at 7 p.m.** Sara Miles great book ***Take This Bread*** will be the subject of the night. These events are one night only. I hope you'll join us in Fellowship Hall for these events. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to register.

Worship Highlights: 8:15 am, 9:00, & 10:30 am

Scriptures: Isaiah 40:10-11, 28-31 and Matthew 9:35-38

Sermon: “PROJECT: Build” - Rev. Luke Lindon

Communion Table Flowers: The flowers today are given by Dennis & Allayne Reese “in celebration of the blessings God has bestowed upon our 58 years of marriage.”

COMMUNION

The communion bread being served today is all **100% gluten free. Please don't hesitate to partake if you need Gluten Free bread.**

“And though we are many, we all eat from one loaf of bread, showing that we are one body.”
Corinthians 10:17

CE CANDLELIGHT WALK BAKE SALE

Saturday, Nov. 20th 4:30-7 pm

Calling all bakers! The CE Board will once again be hosting a bake sale during the Candlelight Walk on Saturday, November 20th from 4:30 - 7:30 pm. If you would like to donate a yummy baked good for the bake sale, please sign up here <http://tinyurl.com/UCCCBakeSale> or sign up on the bulletin board in the East Room hallway and let us know what you are bringing.

All baked goods should be pre-wrapped for individual sale and dropped off at the church office on Friday, November 19th between 9 am - 3 pm. Funds collected from the bake sale will be used for supplies, equipment and help for mission for Christian Education and Youth programming. Thank you so much for your support.

ENDOWMENT FUND APPLICATIONS

The Endowment Fund Committee is pleased to announce that applications are available to apply for funding for worthy projects and improvements for operating year 2022. Each fall, Endowment provides financial support from the Endowment Fund assets to underwrite mission trips, property and grounds improvements, outreach efforts, etc. Copies of the application are available in the Church Office, East Room and Fellowship Hall. Deadline for submission: Monday, November 29, 2021. Questions? Contact Jane Langol at 330-813-1367.

IRISH MUSIC CONCERT

Creggane performs November 7th @ 3 pm

Are you a little bit Irish? Do you like Irish Folk Music? Joins us for a concert of traditional Irish music in our Sanctuary. *Creggane* will perform with fiddle, flute, tin whistle, harp, bouzouki, guitar and bodhran. Suggested offering is \$15. Kids are free. Help support gigging musicians!

HAVE YOU LOST YOUR GLASSES?

We have quite a collection of sunglasses & reading glasses (cheaters) in the church office. If you have lost any, please check out the office to see if any of them belong to you!

COIN JARS FOR SENIORS

Last year our Coin Collection Jars were cancelled because of Covid-19. This year we will be collecting your spare change again to purchase meat for seniors living in high rises in Medina County. Feeding Medina County will handle distribution. The jars will be in the East Room for pick-up. Please take a jar and add your name to the sign-up sheet. **Please feel free to turn in your jars early if they are filled!** We encourage all three services to help provide for our seniors during the Christmas holidays. **Jars will be collected on November 28th.**

“YOU GOT THIS” PERIOD PACKS

In order to mitigate financial instability and social stigmas around menstruation, we are going to build emergency “You Got This” period packs for Al Root & Claggett Middle Schools. If we can build enough, we will distribute to Black River Middle School, our most economically challenged district in the county. These kits will be built with our junior high youth, and any will parents/volunteers on Sunday, November 14th at 1 pm. at the church (inside/outside weather permitting).

These kits will contain pantliners, pads, tampons, Ziploc bags, body wipes, and & an encouraging card in a zipper bag. Church members who are interested in donating may do so by leaving items in the collection box in the Welcome Area, or church member Ellen Nolan’s front porch (607 S. Court St), or by direct mailing via this Amazon wish list. Amazon wish list (you can use this for guidance purposes only or direct ship donations) <http://tinyurl.com/PeriodPacks>

Preferred products: Always Radiant FlexFoam Teen Pads, Regular Absorbency; U by Kotex Click Compact Tampons, Regular Absorbency; U by Kotex Barely There Thin Panty Liners, Light Absorbency OR Always Radiant Pantyliners, Regular Unscented; Summer’s Eve Feminine Cleansing Wipes (OR ANY COMPARABLE **individually wrapped** product), & quart sized Ziploc bags.

FINANCIAL PEACE CLASSES COMING IN JANUARY VIA ZOOM!

Planning for the future is hard when you’re still paying for the past! Listen-there’s a better way! In *Financial Peace* University, you’ll learn how to beat debt, and make a plan for the future. Interested? Sign up for this class and start your 14-day free trial of Financial Peace at fpu.com/1141840. Class starts **Thursday, January 20, 2022.**

FINANCIAL UPDATE:

For those choosing to Give via Realm, you can now enter your 2022 Pledge towards Operating, Mission & Capital Funds.

- Step 1: Sign into your Realm Account
- Step 2: Click on Pledge
- Step 3: Select Operating / Mission and/or Capital
- Step 4: Enter Amount, Frequency and Start/End Dates

If you have not done so already, you can enter how you want to pay your pledge by following the below instructions

- Step 1: Click on Manage Account via the drop-down box by your name
- Step 2: Click on Payments
- Step 3: Click on Add Payment Method
- Step 4: Complete Payment Information. You can select Credit/Debit Card, Checking or Savings.
You can also enter more than 1-Payment form if you want to split it up

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

The Mission team is welcoming Tom O'Connell, the executive director of Habitat for Humanity to speak to our Church! He will be joining us on Nov. 14 at 11:40pm in Fellowship Hall. Come listen to him speak and learn how our Church can get involved with Habitat, how people can volunteer and how Habitat helps our community. The Mission team is excited to kick next year off by helping at a Habitat House! All are welcome to come hear Tom speak! Please join us!

**The deadline for submission of articles for NEXT Sunday's *Messenger* is this Sunday at 11:30 am
Please submit articles to the church office at office@uccmedina.org
CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm MONDAY THRU FRIDAY**

Pastor for Youth & Mission

PURPOSE:

This is a full-time pastoral position. The Pastor for Youth & Mission will serve as the staff member with primary responsibility and oversight for the ministries with High School youth, and young adults, engaging them in fellowship, worship, mission, and faith exploration. This position also engages the whole congregation in mission and justice ministries personally, locally and globally, as well as shares with the Senior Pastor in pastoral responsibilities for the congregation.

ACCOUNTABILITY:

The Pastor for Youth & Mission reports to the Senior Pastor and is accountable to the Congregation and its representation on Congregational Council. The Pastor for Youth & Mission works closely with the Director of Youth Ministries, Pastoral staff, and the other Purpose Focused Leadership Teams, especially DELTS and Mission Teams.

As Head of Staff the Senior Pastor will coordinate an Annual Performance Review with the Staffing Team and inviting participation of staff and church members who work closely with the Pastor for Youth & Mission.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Youth

Goals for youth and young adult ministries at Medina UCC, Congregational:

- *a safe space where youth and young adults develop their own spiritual lives and*
- *cultivate what it means to welcome, love, and serve as the Church in the world*
- Actively invites youth and young adults into the ministries of the Congregation.
- Provides for the planning, publicizing, and inviting of volunteers for leadership in the High School Youth Groups; includes activities such as faith exploration and prayer, fellowship opportunities and service projects.
- Facilitates youth participation and participates in special activities of the youth ministries (i.e.: retreats, conference and denominational events).
- Supports youth, parents, and congregation in fund raising for mission trips.
- Visions and implements outreach to young adults and integrates young adult participation in the life of the congregation.
- Nurtures and promotes spiritual growth, leadership development, and active participation in the broader community among the youth and young adults of the Congregation and the Medina community.
- Integrates youth and young adults ministries into the whole life of the Congregation.
- Attends worship regularly with youth.

Mission & Justice

- Communicates with the congregation the connection between faith and justice.
- Helps congregation engage justice issues through mind, spirit, and action.
- Works with community agencies connected with Medina UCC, C's mission and ministries (e.g.: Feeding Medina County, CUPS Café, Garfield Elementary, etc.)
- Coordinates mission trips.
- Regularly attends the Mission Team meetings and acts as ex-officio member.

Worship

- Negotiates a preaching schedule with Senior Pastor.
- Regularly shares in worship leadership and planning.

Pastoral Care

- Nurtures the spiritual development of the Congregation, individually and corporately.

- Shares on-call pastoral responsibilities with the Pastoral staff.
- Provides support for members and friends of the church in times of need.

Administration

- Meets weekly with other staff members.
- Provides support, as needed, to the Leadership Team: Moderator, Moderator Elect, Past Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer; as well as the Congregational Council, Boards, and Committees.
- Honors all staff members as colleagues, affirming each person's gifts, forgiving each person's faults and modeling the Gospel in order to work in partnership in ministry.

Denominational, Ecumenical, and Community Relationships

- Follows the UCC Ordained Minister's Code (including participation in the life of the denomination, if Ordained).
- Recognizes and promotes the Congregation's role with youth, young adults, and mission in the larger community.

Personal Responsibility

- Maintains time for personal growth, study and spiritual development.
- Develops a healthy balance between responsibilities to the congregation, family and self.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Could be ordained ministerial standing in The United Church of Christ (or approved for ordination pending call by a setting of the UCC or in process of receiving Privilege of Call by a setting of the UCC) and theological compatibility with Progressive Christianity
- Must demonstrate potential for leadership in a local church setting
- Strong communication skills
- Organizational and promotional skills
- Enthusiasm for justice and youth leadership development
- Willingness to support teamwork, collaboration and a collegial approach to work with others
- Willingness to learn Medina County

TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT:

- The Employee Policy Handbook contains detailed information on terms of employment.
- A Letter of Agreement for the position will specify the work hours and the compensation for the position.
- Hire is contingent on a background check (see Policy Handbook for details).

COMPENSATION PACKAGE:

Salary and benefits package is negotiable based on experience and education. Package to include salary, professional reimbursements, mileage, health and disability insurance, pension, and vacation. EEO employer.

Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17

Risk and Restoration

All Saints Day and All Souls Day are observances of the lives of ordinary people in creating and maintaining the reign of God. This week, we hear the story of generations - a grandmother Naomi, parents Ruth and Boaz, and a child named Obed (who was himself a grandfather and father).

As we celebrate the gifts of these generations, consider being in prayer with the generations this week, using this guide or another.

Monday: Pray for your ancestors in faith. Pray for those whose stories are told in scripture, and those who are known through other stories. Ask to be guided to knowledge by their wisdom, to gain understanding through their errors and to be strong in your faith as they were in theirs.

Tuesday: Pray for the ancestors in your church. Pray for those who founded your congregation, for those who built the building in which you worship, for those - both lay and ordained - who have sustained your congregation through the years.

Wednesday: Pray for the ancestors in your own family. Give thanks for the gifts you have been given by your family and pray to release any burdens you may carry that have been passed to you.

Thursday: Pray for the children in your life. Whether these are children in the church, in your own family or in your neighborhood, ask for God's guiding hand to move with and through them.

Friday: Pray for the children of the world who have no one to pray for them. Pray that God works in their lives and shows them that they are beloved.

Saturday: Pray for yourself as an ancestor. Ask to be given the courage and the wisdom to be a helpful and wholesome ancestor. Ask that you may be a blessing to future generations, as those who have blessed you have been.