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Thank you for worshiping with us today!

Please make sure you have registered your attendance with us on the sign-in sheet in the hallway. If you are a guest or visitor with us, be sure to pick up our newsletter, The OPCC Scene, or see our website for current event, activity, opportunity, and contact information here at OPCC.

COVID-19 Protocols

Please social distance from people who are not in your household. Face masks must be worn the entire time you are at OPCC, except for when actively taking communion. Our worship leaders are permitted to sing and speak without masks. Our complete "Returning to OPCC Covenant" is available in the church entryway and on our website at www.bit.ly/opccInPerson



For those with children...

We welcome the sounds and movements of little ones that remind us God is moving in our midst! Please make yourself comfortable in the Sanctuary, and/or in our family-friendly worship space in the Overflow Room. For a more engaging worship, there are family activity boxes available for each household. If you do not find a box with your family name on it, please feel free to use a guest box.

Children of all ages are always welcome in Sanctuary worship, however we also have available our staffed Nursery for children through 3 years old, as well as Children Worship & Wonder which children 3 years through 6th grade may go to following the Worship & Wonder Scripture. The Nursery and the Children Worship & Wonder room are located in the northeast hallway.

Sing the Faith

We celebrate who we are as the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), and using scripture and song, explore our Affirmation of faith found in the Preamble to The Design.

Words of Welcome

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips, Rev. Chuck Pickrel, and Rev. Mark Harmon

THE GATHERING – We Fnter into God's Presence

Sharing Christ's Peace & Gathering in the Light I

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips and Rev. Chuck Pickrel

Prelude to Worship

"It Is Well with My Soul" arr. Jerry Ray

Julie Dean, piano

Invitation to Worship

Roy Nickum

one: Who are we?

all: We are Disciples of Christ.

one: What is our purpose?

all: We are a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.

one: Who is welcome here?

all: As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table...

one: Why do we do that?

all: God has welcomed us. Let us worship our welcoming God!

Opening Hymn

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

Chalice Hymnal #100; vv 1 & 4

Sabbatical Welcome and Transition of Leadership

Invocation Rev. Chuck Pickrel

Response "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Chalice Hymnal #585; v 1

THE WORD – We Receive God's Word

Introduction Rev. Laura Ann Phillips, Rev. Chuck Pickrel, and Rev. Mark Harmon

Scripture Philippians 2:8-11 (Common English Bible) Judy Nickum

Disciples Affirmation Judy Nickum

leader: Together, let us affirm our faith:

all: As members of the Christian Church, We confess that Jesus is the Christ,

the Son of the living God,

and proclaim him Lord and Savior of the world.

Hymn "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" Chalice Hymnal #91; vv 1 & 4

Scripture Matthew 28:18-20 (Common English Bible) Lois Wimpey

Disciples Affirmation Lois Wimpey

leader: Together, let us affirm our faith:
all: In Christ's name and by his grace
we accept our mission of witness

and service to all people.

Hymn "Here I Am, Lord" Chalice Hymnal #452; vv 1 & 3

Scripture Psalm 100 (Common English Bible) Rev. Mark Harmon

Disciples Affirmation Rev. Mark Harmon

leader: Together, let us affirm our faith:

all: We rejoice in God,

maker of heaven and earth, and in God's covenant of love

which binds us to God and to one another.

Hymn "How Great Thou Art" Chalice Hymnal #33; v 1

Scripture "The Disciples' Baptism" Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

a Children Worship and Wonder Story by Kaye Edwards, based on Galatians 3:26-28

Disciples Affirmation Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

leader: Together, let us affirm our faith: all: Through baptism into Christ we enter into newness of life

and are made one with the whole people of God.

Hymn "We Call Ourselves Disciples" Chalice Hymnal #357; v 3

Scripture John 13:34; 14:26 (Common English Bible) Roy Nickum

Disciples Affirmation Roy Nickum

leader: Together, let us affirm our faith:

all: In the communion of the Holy Spirit

we are joined together in discipleship

and in obedience to Christ.

Hymn "By Our Love"

THE RESPONSE – We Respond in Worship

Prayers of the People Rev. Chuck Pickrel

Our 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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Response "It Is Well with My Soul" Chalice Hymnal #561; v 1

Invitation to Stewardship

Judy Nickum

If you are so moved by the covenant we hold with one another, our denomination, and Christians around the world... if you are invested in the amazing things God is doing in covenant community, then we would be so grateful for your support. You may give on our website www.opccdoc.org, by scanning this QR code, or by dropping a check or cash in the glass-paneled box in the entry hallway.



Doxology "Now Thank We All Our God" Chalice Hymnal #715, v 3

Prayer of Dedication

Invitation to Communion Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Disciples Affirmation Rev. Chuck Pickrel

leader: Together, let us affirm our faith: all: At the Table of the Lord

we celebrate with thanksgiving

the saving acts and presence of Christ.

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution Rev. Mark Harmon

Hymn "Let Us Break Bread Together" Chalice Hymnal #425; vv 1 & 2

SENDING FORTH – We Go Out into the World

Sabbatical Pastor Sending Forth

Invitation to Discipleship Rev. Chuck Pickrel

Disciples Affirmation Rev. Chuck Pickrel

leader: Together, let us affirm our faith:
all: Within the universal church
we receive the gift of ministry
and the light of scripture.
In the bonds of Christian faith
we yield ourselves to God
that we may serve the One
whose kingdom has no end.

Blessing, glory, and honor be to God forever. Amen.

Sharing the Light

Blessing and Benediction

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Postlude

"Holy, Holy, Holy" arr. Victor Labenske

Julie Dean, piano

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https://youtu.be/3vwt3b5W1A8 - Inspiration for this Service

https://disciples.org/our-identity/our-confession/

This confession is the opening paragraph in the Preamble to the <u>Design of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)</u>.

It is used by many Disciples congregations in worship as an affirmation of the faith of the church throughout the ages – not as a "test of fellowship," but as a statement of faith that identifies the Disciples' commitment to and place within the universal and ecumenical church.

As members of the Christian Church, We confess that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, and proclaim him Lord and Savior of the world. In Christ's name and by his grace we accept our mission of witness and service to all people. We rejoice in God, maker of heaven and earth, and in God's covenant of love which binds us to God and to one another. Through baptism into Christ we enter into newness of life and are made one with the whole people of God. *In the communion of the Holy Spirit* we are joined together in discipleship and in obedience to Christ. At the Table of the Lord we celebrate with thanksgiving the saving acts and presence of Christ. Within the universal church we receive the gift of ministry and the light of scripture. In the bonds of Christian faith we yield ourselves to God that we may serve the One whose kingdom has no end. Blessing, glory, and honor be to God forever. Amen.