

UNITED CHURCH *of* CHAPEL HILL FESTIVAL WORSHIP



THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
JANUARY 21, 2024

*Please stand, as able

Bold text indicates congregational response or singing.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

O Mensch, beweine dein Sünde gross
(O Mankind, Mourn Your Great Sins) BWV 622

J.S. Bach

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 62

For God alone my soul waits in silence,

God is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

On God rests my deliverance and my honor; my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.

Trust in her at all times, O people; pour out your heart before her; God is a refuge for us.

Once God has spoken; twice have I heard this: that power belongs to God,

Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, you call us to proclaim your Word and to undertake shared labors in love and justice. Forgive us, Holy One, when we turn from the tasks we recognize in our hearts. As you sheltered Jonah in the storm, and as you provided him a hedge of protection from the sun, we put our hope in your safekeeping until our desires conform to your desires and our courage finds its faith in the immensity of your grace. Through Christ by whom we trust to follow in your way. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The mercy of God is so great that the rains fall on the just and the unjust alike. Even when our lives are not in order with the perfect love of God, still God gives us what we need. We give thanks to God who kept Jonah for three days in spite of his disobedience, the same God who spared a rebellious city. Do not be jealous or angry at God's mercy, but we open our hearts to receive the grace that God freely offers.

Thanks be to God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE 171

Jesus Calls Us, o'er the Tumult

ST. ANDREW

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

(Pew Bible page 753)

Mark 1:14-20

(Pew Bible page 812)

This is the word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

CHILDREN'S RESPONSE

Where Children Belong

RITCHIE

This, this is where chil-dren be-long, wel-comed as part of the wor-ship-ing throng.
Wa-ter, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where chil-dren be-long.

The musical notation is written on two staves in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes.

SERMON

How Many Times Do I Have To Ask?

Rev. Cameron Barr

*HYMN OF THE DAY 504

You Walk Along Our Shoreline

SALLEY GARDENS

CALL TO SHARING

ANTHEM

I Will Be a Child of Peace

Elaine Hagenberg

*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise Christ all crea-tures here be-
low; O, praise God! Al-le - lu - ia! Praise Ho-ly Spi-rit, Com-for-
ter; One, God, Tri-une whom we a - dore, O, praise God! O,
praise God! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia.

The musical notation is written on four staves in D major (two sharps) and 3/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes.

PASTORAL PRAYER

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, for ever. Amen.

*INVITATION TO AN OPEN TABLE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

... Together we lift our voices in thanksgiving and praise:

*SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

From *Festival Eucharist*

Craig Phillips

The musical score is written for Organ and Congregation. It is in the key of D major (two sharps) and 3/4 time. The Organ part is indicated by a treble clef and a key signature of two sharps. The Congregation part is indicated by a treble clef and a key signature of two sharps. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please come forward to receive the bread and cup. We offer a gluten-free option in the basket with purple linens and serve only non-alcoholic grape juice. Raise your hand if you would like a pastor to bring the elements to you. Communion cups may be left in the openings on the back of the pews. Healing prayer is offered in the back of the sanctuary during Communion.

COMMUNION MUSIC

“Verset One” (from *Heures mystiques*)

Léon Boëllmann

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We give thanks, gracious God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ. 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. Amen.

*HYMN OF BLESSING

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

HYMN TO JOY

1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, God of love;
2. All thy works with joy sur-round thee; earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays;
3. Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest,
4. Mor - tals, join the might-y cho - rus which the morn-ing stars be-gan;

hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, op'n - ing to the sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean depth of hap - py rest!
love di - vine is reign-ing o'er us, bind - ing all with - in its span.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the dark of doubt a - way.
Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, flow'r-y mead-ow, flash - ing sea,
Lov - ing Spi - rit, Fa - ther, Mo - ther, all who live in love are thine;
Ev - er sing - ing, march we on - ward, vic - tors in the midst of strife;

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day!
chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine.
joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward in the tri - umph song of life.

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“Prelude in C Major”
(from *Eight Little Preludes and Fugues*)

J.S. Bach

COMMUNITY FORUM TODAY

Fellowship Hall, following festival worship

This week's Community Forum will focus on UCCH's relationship with the Inter-Faith Council for Social Service (IFC). What can our church do to support the IFC in their mission to help our local community? Please bring your donations for the Donation Drive.

RACIAL JUSTICE COVENANT REVISION WORKSHOPS

TODAY at 12:15 p.m., and Sunday, January 28 at 11 a.m.

The Racial Justice Ministries committee wants your feedback on the Racial Justice Covenant revision, and your ideas on living out this covenant in our church. The first session will be a potluck lunch and workshop on Sunday, January 21 at 12:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Spanish interpretation will be available for the first session. The second session will be on Sunday, January 28 at 11 a.m. In addition to these group conversations, feedback and ideas from individuals are always welcome (please contact Ingrid Schmidt, ingridschmidt55@gmail.com).

MYSTERY PALS

Mystery Pals begins January 28! 3rd-5th graders and adults of any age are invited to sign up. Participants will be matched together to send each other letters using code names. Letters will be dropped off and exchanged each Sunday until the reveal party on Sunday, March 17. Contact Ron Johnson (rgj5823@yahoo.com) or Anitra Grove (agrove@unitedchurch.org) to sign up.

UCCH 101

Sunday, Jan. 28 at 12:30 p.m.

Interested in joining UCCH as a member, or just in learning more about this congregation or denomination? Join us for UCCH 101! An RSVP form is linked in our enews. Please contact Caleb (cwolf@unitedchurch.org) if you are interested in becoming a member but haven't talked to church leadership yet.

LIGHT UP YOUR WINTER

Join us on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m., Jan. 24 (karaoke night and chili cook-off) & Jan. 31 (game night and pancakes). There is an online sign-up form (linked in the enews) for those who want to enter into the cook-off. The best chili chef will win a prize! You're invited to bring bite-sized desserts to share if you're not bringing chili.

SEARCH FOR YOUTH MINISTER

United Church of Chapel Hill is searching for a specialized youth minister to build connections and lead engaging programming for youth and their families. To apply, send a résumé and cover letter to cbarr@unitedchurch.org by February 15, 2024. Read the full job description at unitedchurch.org/careers.

GOSPEL WORKSHOP WITH DR. RAYMOND WISE

Feb 3, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Feb 4, in worship 9:45 and 11 a.m., concert 2 p.m.

One Human Family Choir of Durham and UCCH are co-sponsoring a Gospel and Spirituals Workshop with Rev. Dr. Raymond Wise, composer and conductor. Dr. Wise is professor of African American and African Diaspora studies at Indiana University, Bloomington. Founder and director of the African American Choral Ensemble and Raise Productions' Center for the Gospel Arts, Dr. Wise holds a passion for sharing the gift Gospel and Spiritual music with communities around the country. Don't miss this opportunity for musical sharing and growth! All ages are invited! Register for the workshop at www.onehumanfamily.org

JUSTICE UNITED LISTENING SESSION AT UCCH

Sunday, February 11

Following joint worship on Feb. 11, there will be a potluck and Justice United listening session in the Fellowship Hall for all UCCH members and friends. Ten church members who attended the Justice United training in December will lead us through the listening session process which aims to illuminate community needs across Orange County. Justice United will use this insight from UCCH and other local listening sessions to help select their priorities for positive change beginning in February 2024.

FRIDAY MORNING YOGA CLASS

Fridays at 9 a.m. in the Assembly Hall

All levels welcome! Contact Melanie Joiner (melanie.spence@gmail.com) for more info.

FROM THE UCCH LIBRARY

- ★ Borg, M.J. The kingdom of God [and] The call to follow Jesus. In "Conversations with Scripture: The Gospel of Mark," p27-31. 226.7 Bor C
- ★ McKenna, M. The first calling. In "On Your Mark: Reading Mark in the Shadow of the Cross," p26-29. 226.7 McK O
- ★ Walker, A. The answer is yes. In "Hard Times Require Furious Dancing," p20. 811 Wal H
- ★ Taylor, B.B. The practice of living with purpose: Vocation. In "An Altar in the World," p107-120. 248.4 Tay A
- ★ Peterson, E.H. Finding the road to Nineveh. In "Under the Unpredictable Plant: An Exploration in Vocational Holiness," p117-153. 253 Pet U
- ★ Taylor, B.B. Ninevites and ne'er-do-wells. In "Gospel Medicine," p99-104. 252 Tay G

These items are on the small wooden rack in the center of the library. A volunteer, Karen Demby, will be in the library immediately following the 9:45 service, to assist you in finding library materials.

2024 United Church of Chapel Hill

CHILI COOK-OFF

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

6 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

REGISTER
HERE:



Prizes awarded to the “best”
chilis (meat & meatless
categories)! Please bring
bite-sized desserts to share
if you’re not bringing chili.



“Make a Joyful Noise”

Celebrating African American Sacred and Gospel Music

MUSIC WORKSHOP

with Rev. Raymond Wise, PhD

Feb. 3-4, 2024

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Saturday, 9am – 5pm Music Workshop

Sunday, 9:45 am Service

2:00 pm Concert



Hosted by The One Human Family Choir,
The Negro Spirituals Royalties Project & United
Church of Chapel Hill

\$35 per Adult. Children and youth free.

www.onehumanfamily.org

Register
online:



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Learn more about worship on the "Welcome to United Church" card in your pew.

SERVICE NOTES

MUSICIANS: Chancel Choir; Sophia Tellier, guest organist (communion music, closing voluntary)

DEACONS: Tom and Kay Williams

READER: Nanette de Andrade

SOUNDBOARD: Peter Schay

LIVESTREAM: Brian Moore

COFFEE HOST: Janet Flowers

COVER ART: *Jonah* by John August Swanson, 1983.

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