Peace United Church of Christ

208 E Maurer Street Shawano, WI 54166



Sunday May 22, 2022 – 9:00 AM

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Peace United Church of Christ Order of Worship May 22, 2022

PRELUDE – "You Are My King (Amazing Love)/Love Divine All Loves Excelling" Foote, arr. Tornquist "Like a River Glorious/The River is Here" - Mountain arr. Tornquist

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTION

OPENING HYMN

"Enter, Rejoice, and Come In"

#73

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Many: Let the Creator be home among us One: In our hearts, may God be welcome

Many: May God's love shape our every thought

One: May our actions lead to God's justice Many: May our words be words of life

One: May God's Spirit lead us

Many: May God's peace dwell within us

All: Amen.

UNISON INVOCATION

God's love is our nourishment God's truth, our liberation God's words, our wisdom God's peace, our home Welcome to the love of God

HYMN "How Like a Gentle Spirit" #443

UNISON CONFESSION

We have not yet learned to love as you love We have spoken praise in our mouths When our hearts were far from you The gifts you gave for our peace

We have weaponized

Yet, even in our failings

Your love has never failed us

Even when we turned you away

You still choose to make your home among us

Our hearts are troubled

We are enmeshed in fear

Creation needs you

Our families need you

Our streets need you

Our cities need you

The soil needs you

Our souls need you

Heal us

Forgive us

Make us whole again

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

One: Beloved of God, hear the good news.

God's faithfulness is sure

God's love will not fail us

In accordance with God's loving kindness

You are forgiven

You are welcome

You are home

Many: Glory to love of God.

All: Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

NEW TESTAMENT: Acts 16:9-15

⁹During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." ¹⁰When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. ¹¹We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We

remained in this city for some days. ¹³On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. ¹⁴A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

GOSPEL: John 14:23-29

²³Jesus answered him, "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

²⁵"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

²⁸You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. ²⁹And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

MESSAGE

"Peace I Leave You"

PASTORAL 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 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.

HYMN

"When Peace, Like a River"

#438

UCC MOMENT

Moment explaining an aspect of the UCC and what that means for us.

CALL TO OFFERING

One: Our God does not give as the world gives

In the chaos, God is our peace

In our fear, God is our confidence

In our weakness, God is our strength

Let us offer our gifts to God

Many: Thanks be to God

All: Amen

DOXOLOGY #780

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

May these gifts be used to build the Beloved Community through our hands of service, in the power of the Holy Spirit, and in the name of Jesus, our Messiah. Amen.

BENEDICTION

May the love of God go with us. May God's love saturate our memories. May God's love overwhelm us. God is love. As we carry God's love within us, may we carry God's love to the world around us. Go forth in the love of God. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

"Part in Peace"

#78

Giving link for the UCC's Humanitarian effort in Ukraine.: <u>Ukraine Appeal - United Church of Christ (ucc.org)</u>

This week at Peace Church:

Sun., May 22: 9:00 AM Worship

7:00 PM AA Meeting

Mon., May 23: 5:30 PM Choir

Tues., May 24: 10:00 AM Missions

6:00 PM Finance

Wed., May 25: 6:00 PM Council Thurs., May 26: 1:30 PM Worship

Fri., May 27: 10:00 AM Don Olsen Visitation

11:00 AM Memorial Service 1:00 PM Quilting Group

Church Office Hours: Monday thru Friday 9:00 AM till 2:00 PM.

Prayer Concerns and Celebrations:

Call the church office (715.526.2916) if you would like to put yourself or a loved one on the prayer list.

<u>Joys</u>

<u>Birthdays</u>: 5/19: Richard Laehn; 5/21: Bonnie Dickelman Cannon, David Ruehle, Kelly Theis, Wyatt Theis; 5/23: Joyce Wockenfus; 5/24: Mike Dayton; 5/26: Patricia Anker, Larry Wynveen; 5/28: Clint Sumnicht

Anniversaries: 5/20: William & Rita Ecke; 5/22: Steve & Lisa Acra, Patti & Bob Francis

Concern

Jim NiesenAbby TumaClayton BlomKaren MandelLola KaczorJerry BucherPastor LewBarbara MinsterBob EngelLori MuellerMary Ellen SchererMarian Pauly

Theresa & Jim Timmer Leola Anderson Andrea Knickerbocker

Mary Peterson Sandy Laehn Gary Gurnee
Baby Helena Theis Brian Wescott Mike Winkler

Roland Dobratz

All our homebound members

Those serving in the military: Mike Hert, Shayne Lanou, Adam Larson, Ian McNerney and Ryan McNerney.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS: May 29: Acts 16:16-34, Psalm 97, Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21, John 17:20-26





June 5th, 2022 - Luncheon catered by Angie's starting around noon with the service itself starting at 1:30.

Greeters! Lets bring back greeters to the church.

Sensory Room! Check out our Amazon registry if you would like to support this project by purchasing any of the equipment yourself or if you would like to mark your offering envelopes specifically for this project, we will make sure your offering is utilized for this purpose.

New Member Course! - Course to be held in early June

Committee/Group Roster – Committee heads please send a list of current members, a short description of what the committee/group does, and the best contact info for the head of the group, we would be greatly appreciative!



Are you interested in joining a Peace Church Group in attending a Wisconsin Timber Rattlers baseball?

The last time as a church group we attended a game was in 2019, we had a fun time.

We would need at least 20 people to get a group discount on tickets. Box seats around home plate run \$15 – discounted to \$13 for group. Food and drinks would be on your own. Form your own carpools to ride to game.

A couple of dates have been suggested:

Thursday July 28th start time 6:40 PM

Or

Thursday August 11th start time 6:40 PM

Interested - please use the sign-up sheet on bulletin board or let Carol Fuqua know.

We would collect money in advance so once group agrees on date to hold your group discount.

Invite your family members, children, grandchildren, or baseball buddies.

Thank you,