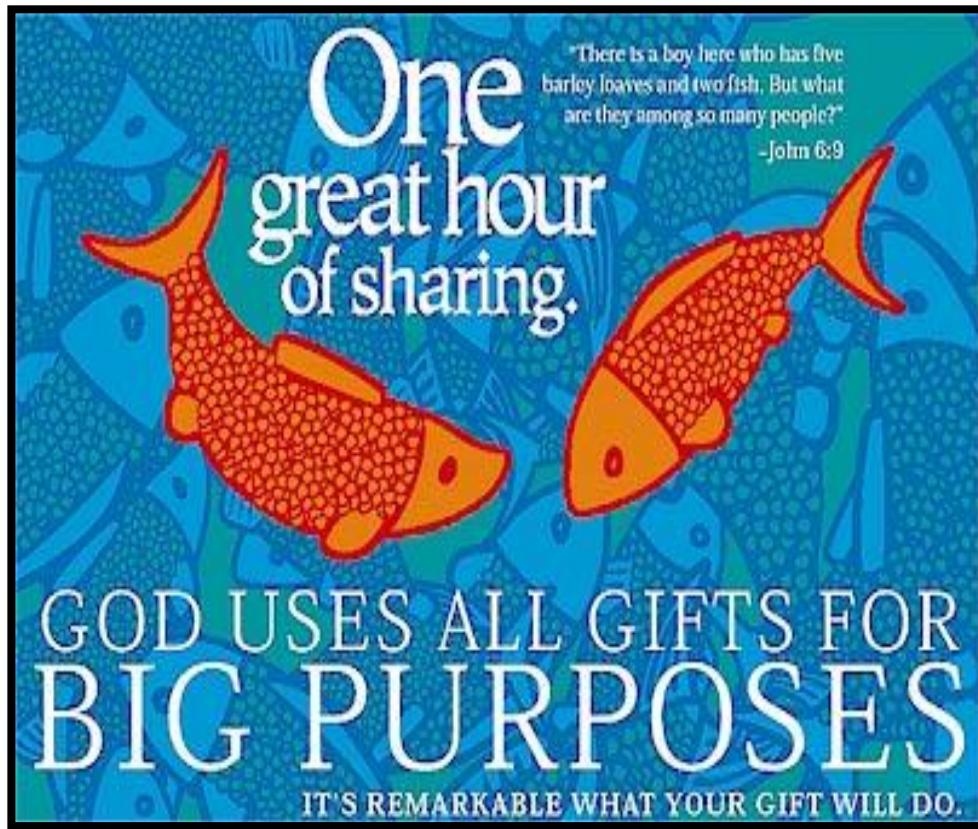


March 11, 2017



UNION CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

March 11, 2018

Sunday Morning Worship

10:00 AM



Welcome

in Christ's name to all who are visiting.

We are an Open and Affirming congregation of the United Church of Christ. Please let us know you were here by filling out one of the guest cards provided by the ushers. We are blessed by having you here. May you also be blessed because you worshipped God with us.

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GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Music for Quiet Reflection

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude:

CALLING EACH OTHER TO WORSHIP:

L: Brothers and sisters in Christ, why have you come to worship this morning?

All: We come to celebrate the love of God in the form of Jesus Christ.

L: This love reaches through the shadows of our lives to embrace us. Our challenge is to trust the light of God's love in the midst of our struggles.

All: We come to celebrate the light of God in Jesus who offers love and acceptance, not judgment and rejection.

L: If only we will trust, Jesus leads us in the way of light and love.

All: We come to celebrate our God who loved and loves us so much!

Opening Hymn: "God is Here! As We Your People" #280 Chalice hymnal

Calling God Into Our Hearts, Minds, and Spirits (Unison as in One Voice)

O God of Comfort and God of Challenge, we come to you this morning, as the Israelites did, full of complaints and dissatisfaction. Nothing is enough; we do not recognize your blessing at work in our day to day lives. Forgive us when we become so comfortable that we moan and groan about the most insignificant details of our lives. In our complaints, challenge us as you did the Israelites, to consider the bigger picture of oppression, injustice, and inequality around us. Forgive us when we close our eyes for fear of what you might show us; keep sending loving and compassionate leaders to open our eyes until we see what you see in our world. Amen

GOD'S PEOPLE LISTEN

Anthem "My Hands" by Hannibal & Nolan

Girl Scout Sunday Moment

A Time for the Child In Us All (Children leave for Sunday School through the Fellowship Room afterwards)

***Fellowship Hymn:** "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" #292 green hymnal

We Pass Peace of Our Still Speaking and Present God

Scripture Reading: Numbers 21:4-9 John 3:14-21

L: God is still speaking to us through the Living Word.

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Treatment For Snake Venom"

Anthem "It Was His Best" by Dennis & Nan Allen

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Responding in Prayer

Sharing Celebrations & Concerns

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

Response

Responding through Giving

Invitation to Giving and Receiving of Gifts

Offertory:

Hymn of Praise: "The Doxology"

*** Prayer of Dedication**

Consider the steadfast love of God in every breath you breathe. May that steadfast love inspire you to give generously so that we may live into God's Reign of peace and compassion brought the offerings of our own church.

GOD'S PEOPLE LEAVE TO SERVE

***Closing Hymn** "God Will Take Care of You " #293 green hymnal

***Benediction**

***Response**

Organ Postlude:

***Congregation:** Please rise in body or in spirit.