

Church of Christ, Congregational

United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming Congregation

Our Mission

We seek to be a Christian community
by worshiping God through prayer, music, and the proclaimed Word.

Following Christ's example,
we enthusiastically reach out to everyone with compassion, respect and love
so that we may grow in faith and commitment together.



October 26, 2025

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Worship God, Serve our neighbors, Share God's love

Sunday October 26, 2025 at 10:00am

*Indicates standing if you are able

B = Black Hymnal R=Red Hymnal

Prelude / Exalt Thee

arr. Victor Labenske

Welcome/Announcements

Gathering Music: *All Are Welcome*

***Call To Worship**

One: Lions, Tigers, and Bears, oh my!

All: Monsters of the deep and creatures that fly!

One: Seraphim, Spirits, and She-Bears, oh my!

All: All of creation bows before God's throne on high!

One: This is God's house – not the valley of the bones-dry!

All: We won't let Heaven on Earth pass us by!

***Opening Prayer (together)**

Loving God, as we gather on this Sunday before Halloween, we take a moment to acknowledge the monsters that lurk in our lives – those insidious forces of oppression that can haunt our communities and hearts. As we acknowledge this time of year when the veil between our world and the spirit realm is believed to thin, we find ourselves drawing closer to You and the saints who have gone before us. Empower us to confront the shadow that seek to divide and instill fear within us. Help us face these beasts with courage and resolve. May we lean on each other for support in this journey. As we embrace the Spirit of Halloween, we ask for Your presence and guidance to illuminate our paths like a fierce Jack-O-Lantern, frightening systems that destroy, and inspiring us to act with love and justice. Amen.

Hymn B#423 *Great Is Your Faithfulness

Passing the Peace of Christ

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Scripture Reading Job 41: 1-34

Sermon Lessons from the Leviathan

***Hymn B#292** *Breathe On Me, Breath of God*

The Church at Prayer

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Our Personal Prayers in Silence

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (please use the wording with which you are most familiar.)

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

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

Amen.

Prayer Response *Jesus, Name Above All Names*

A Time of Offering

Invitation

Offertory Anthem *Wayfaring Stranger* arr. Tom Fetke

***Doxology** "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below

Praise God above your heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication (together)**

Gracious and Mysterious God, as we gather our gifts this Halloween-tide, we lift them up to you with joyful hearts and open spirits. We ask that you bless and multiply these offerings, transforming them into tools for service and seeds of hope in a world often filled with fear. Like the luminescent flow of a candle in a carved pumpkin, may our love and generosity shine brightly. Bless each one of us with a spirit of generosity, and let our collective offering become a source of transformation, reflecting the mystery and majesty of Your divine presence. Amen.

***Hymn B#600** *How Lovely Is Your Dwelling*

***Benediction**

Postlude: *How He Loves*

by John Mark McMillan

Liturgy adapted from UCC Worship Ways.

Please stay for fellowship following the service.

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Have a prayer request?
Please contact Mary Jensen to add it to the prayer chain at mejensen7@verizon.net



ANNOUNCEMENTS

M&M's (Monday Morning Needlework Group)

Join us from 10am-12pm in the parlor. Bring your handwork or just come to socialize, we'd love to see you there!

Pastoral Emergencies

If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Pastor James via phone

Call or text (774)-993-9407

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, October 26

10:00 am ~ Worship

11:00 am ~ Refreshments

11:30 am ~ Trunk or Treat

Monday, October 27 ~ M& M's

10:00am-12:00pm in the Parlor

Sunday, November 2

Daylight Savings!!! Change clocks back 1HR.

10:00 am ~ Worship & Communion

11:00 am ~ Refreshments

UPCOMING EVENTS

