

ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 23, 2022

10:00 A.M.

Welcome to Worship at the Ellington Congregational Church, United Church of Christ. We're happy to have you with us this morning. If you are visiting and would like to receive more information about our church, please fill out an "I Wish" card found in the pew rack.

Our Church Mission Statement

*To be a dynamic and nurturing community
called by God's grace
to know Christ and make Him known
through worship, love, and service.*

Adopted September 15, 2019



THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

ECUMENICAL SUNDAY

BCE SPONSORED

SWEATS AND SLIPPERS SUNDAY

*As the prelude begins, let the music help you enter into the
spirit of worship and prayer.*

PRELUDE

*All who are able, please stand.

WELCOME

GATHERING FOR THE WORD

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 19

One: The heavens proclaim the glory of God. The skies display his craftsmanship.

All: Day after day they continue to speak; night after night, they make him known.

One: God has made a home in the heavens for the sun.

All: The sun rises at one end of the heavens and follows its course to the other end. Nothing can hide from its heat.

One: The commandments of the LORD are right, bringing joy to the heart.

**All: The commands of the LORD are clear, giving insight for living. May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.
Let us worship God with joy!**

*OPENING HYMN

Chalice Hymnal #278

Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather

*THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Loving God, through Christ you called the church to be one body with parts working together to make it function. Sometimes, we sever that one body through suspicion,

*All who are able, please stand.

hostility, and other negative thoughts. When we sever the parts of Christ's body, we make it impossible to dine around one common table. Instead, we divide into separate bodies and then are not the church God desires. We take from one another the beauty of a unified church with Christ as the head. By your graciousness, we ask that you help us continue to strive to be one in Christ Jesus. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Pastor: As the Gospel reminds us, "The very stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing and it is amazing in our eyes." God has declared that Christ is our foundation; he is God's beloved. Our redemption is sure; we are forgiven!

***GLORIA PATRI**

Chalice Hymnal #35

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever-shall be,
world with-out end. A-men. A-men.*

ENGAGING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*(Children will be dismissed to accompany Lee Carman for
Sunday School.)*

GOSPEL LESSON

Pew Bible NT p. 174

LP Pew Bible NT p. 250

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

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MESSAGE

Pastor Joanne/Julie LaRocca

“Them and Us and We Mus – I – Cally!”

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (Prayer of St. Francis)

Julie LaRocca

O Church of God, United (vs. 1, 2, & 4)

Insert
Congregation

Lord of the Dance (vs. 1, 4, & 5)

Julie LaRocca

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

Chalice Hymnal #113

Jesus Loves Me!

***Jesus loves me still today, walking with me on my way,
wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live.***

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

SILENT MEDITATION

PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD’S PRAYER (debts)

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.

ORGAN RESPONSE

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OFFERING

Sentence

Offertory

Julie LaRocca

Jesus Loves Me

Presentation of Offerings

The Shopping Cart is used during the offering to collect your gifts of food for Ellington and Tri-Town residents in need. The food is distributed by the Ellington Food Bank, Crystal Lake Community Food Pantry, the HVCC Food Pantry and The Cornerstone Cupboard. Your generosity is a blessing to all who receive and a witness to Christ's love for the world. Thank you!

***DOXOLOGY**

Chalice Hymnal #46

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men.

***UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

All: God of Graciousness, we bow our heads in prayer to give you honor. We worship your name with praise and thanksgiving. In Christ you bless us and call us your own. Full of joy in belonging to Christ's holy family, we join with brothers and sisters everywhere in presenting our gifts to you. Amen.

GOING WITH THE WORD

***HYMN OF DEDICATION**

Chalice Hymnal #436 (2X)

Shalom to You Now

*All who are able, please stand.

RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION

Adapted from *We Are One in Christ Jesus*

One: We are one body and one spirit in Christ Jesus.

All: Along with Christians everywhere, we are grateful that we share one God and one abiding faith.

One: Let us enter our week and everyday knowing that we are all bound together with God's love through Christ Jesus.

All: We will spread the Good News that God, Christ, and Holy Spirit unite us all. Amen.

From Latin America comes this corito – a short, lively folk song based on Scripture. This one draws on Ephesians 4:4-6 and manages to reproduce faithfully the repeated emphasis on the unity of revelation continued by the unity of discipleship under the care of the Holy Spirit.

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CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (seated)

Chalice Hymnal #677

Let There Be Peace on Earth

THE EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES

POSTLUDE



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Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (Prayer of St. Francis)

Though popular opinion credits this prayer to Francis of Assisi, the earliest known printing was in a French religious magazine in 1912. Yet that gentle saint's spirit seems evident in these words, a quality that has spurred many paraphrases and musical settings such as this one.

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Shalom to You Now

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