

ORDER OF WORSHIP

June 14, 2026

10:00 A.M.

Welcome to Worship at the Ellington Congregational Church, United Church of Christ. We are 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 and place it in the offering plate during the Offertory time.

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



**CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY
GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

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

PRELUDE

Julie LaRocca

WELCOME

*All who are able, please stand.

GATHERING FOR THE WORD

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: We gather as God's beloved children.

ALL: However glad we are, however out of sorts we are.

One: We come together as a people whom Jesus calls into community.

ALL: So this becomes a place where all are welcome.

One: We have come to give thanks, to pray and sing, to be with each other.

ALL: Let us worship God.

***LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

***OPENING HYMN**

Chalice Hymnal #56

For the Beauty of the Earth

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Loving God, we confess that we have not lived as you wish. We strive for inner peace, yet we so easily create anxiety and division. We become consumed with our own affairs and ignore the needs of our neighbors. We hold onto grievances, harbor resentment, and fail to extend the grace we have so freely received. Forgive us. Cleanse us of our unfaithfulness and heal our broken relationships. By your Spirit, bind our hearts to you and grant us the courage to be peacemakers in a troubled world. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Friends, hear the good news: in Christ Jesus, we are forgiven, restored, and empowered to live in peace.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

One: The peace of Christ be with you always.

ALL: And also with you.

*All who are able, please stand.

***GREETING ONE ANOTHER WITH THE PEACE AND LOVE OF GOD THROUGH CHRIST JESUS**

ENGAGING THE WORD

ANTHEM

Yes, Jesus Loves Me

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

MUSICAL PARTICIPATION MOMENT

Children, Youth & Congregation

CELEBRATION OF FAITH FORMATION VOLUNTEERS

NEW TESTAMENT GOSPEL LESSON Pew Bible NT p #198

Philippians 4:4-9

MESSAGE

Irene Mosher

Promised Peace

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

IN OUR PRAYERS AND SILENT MEDITATION

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.**

*All who are able, please stand.

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.

RESPONSE

OFFERING: *Affirmation By Touch for Our Offerings to God*

Sentence

Offertory

I've Got Peace Like A River

Adam Geiger, Becky Hinckley, Julie LaRocca, Matt Ramos

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 God from whom all blessings flow;

praise him, all creatures here below;

praise him above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*All who are able, please stand.

GOING WITH THE WORD

***HYMN OF DEDICATION** Chalice Hymnal #677
Let There Be Peace on Earth

CHORAL BENEDICTION
Heartsong Blessing

EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES

POSTLUDE Julie LaRocca

~Please feel free to change wording referring to God to whatever language supports your faith.

Thank You to:
Adam Geiger, Becky Hinckley, and Matt Ramos

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For the Beauty of the Earth

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MUSIC: Conrad Kocher, 1838; arr. William Henry Monk, 1861
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I've Got Peace Like a River

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Let There Be Peace on Earth

WORDS: Sy Miller and Jill Jackson, 1955

MUSIC: Sy Miller and Jill Jackson, 1955; harm. Charles H. Webb, 1987

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