

ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 25, 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



TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST CONSECRATION SUNDAY

*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: The Lord has been our dwelling place in all generations.

All: From everlasting to everlasting, God is God; and so we come to worship.

One: God satisfies us every morning with steadfast love;

All: Let us rejoice and be glad all our days.

One: Tell of God’s glorious power and praise God’s holy name.

All: We will offer God the work of our hands and praise from the depths of our hearts.

***THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

***OPENING HYMN**

Chalice Hymnal #602

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All: Merciful God,
you know our hearts, the times we truly loved one another
and the times we merely tolerated each other.
You know our minds, the times we focused on you
and the times we pursued our own purposes.
You know our bodies, the times we have served you
and the times we have served only ourselves.
Forgive us those times we went our own way,
and renew our commitment to live lives marked by
your grace.**

*All who are able, please stand.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Friends in Christ, we are forgiven people, set free from past failures, to make a fresh start this day and every day. The Holy Spirit empowers us to love God and to love others. Thanks be to God for such everlasting grace!

***GLORIA PATRI** Chalice Hymnal #35

Glory Be to the Father

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 without end. Amen. Amen.

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

ENGAGING THE WORD

ANTHEM Senior Choir

God Bless Our Homes

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Lee Carman

Children may leave for Church School

NEW TESTAMENT GOSPEL LESSON

Large Print Pew Bible NT p. #97

John 6:1-14

MESSAGE Pastor Craig

"The Abundance of God"

*All who are able, please stand.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Bryan Forst,
Wade Overgaard

RECEIVING AND CONSECRATING OUR PLEDGES

***UNISON PRAYER**

All: Gracious and generous God, Creator and Giver of all that is good, we thank you for our many blessings. We acknowledge that all that we have is from you. We offer you thanks and praise for the beauty of the earth, our work, our family, our loved ones, and all the gifts we have been given.

You are with us always. In each dark hour, you are here. In each bright hour, you are here. Blessed by your grace, may we show gratitude by sharing what we have been given.

By serving our brothers and sisters, we serve you.

We remain ever grateful for your constant love, the gift of your Son Jesus, and the presence of your Holy Spirit with us.

Protect and guide us on our journey, and guide those who are involved in Diocesan, and parish stewardship leadership.

We seek to be your faithful stewards.
Amen

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

*All who are able, please stand.

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.**

RESPONSE

OFFERING

Sentence

Offertory

Julie LaRocca

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!*

*All who are able, please stand.

***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.***

***UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**All: Generous God, you are both faithful and fruitful as
you embrace each new generation. Bless our gifts and
make them fruitful beyond our imagining. Keep us
faithful in this generation so that the inheritance we
have received in Christ will continue in generations yet
to come. Amen.**

GOING WITH THE WORD

***HYMN OF DEDICATION**

Chalice Hymnal #717

Let All Things Now Living

THE EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Julie LaRocca

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