



ames UCC
United Church of Christ

Just Peace Open & Affirming

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**No Matter Who You Are Or Where You Are
On Life's Journey, You Are Welcome Here!**

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 22, 2013

*Means those who are able please stand

Songs: SP & P - Sing, Prayer & Praise; NCH - New Century Hymnal

Bold face indicates where the congregation is invited to join in saying the words

Ring the Bell

***Greeting One Another**

Opening Prayer

***Opening Sentences** (Genesis 32:30, Isaiah 11:6, Luke 1:46-47)

Cong'l Response: "Surprise us, O Lord!"

***Gathering Song** SPP #12 "Come, My People"

Silent Reflection

Readings from the Bible

1 Kings 17:17-24 (p. 402 in the OT of your pew Bible)

Luke 7:11-17 (p. 79-80 in the NT of your pew Bible)

Sung Response

“Be Still and Know I Am God”

Be still and know that I am God.

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The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the response, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Children's Message

“Is It Magic?”

Hannah Hannover

Prayers of the People

You are invited to offer joys and concerns aloud for which the whole congregation will pray. If you have something to share, simply raise your hand and a deacon will bring the microphone to you.

Pastoral Prayer

The minister will offer a series of prayers each followed by “Amen,” concluding with “The Lord’s Prayer.”

The Lord’s Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer comes from Matthew 6:9-13. Here is a traditional translation, which we will all pray together.

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.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Mission Moment

AMOS

Offering of Gifts

“The Name of Jesus”

Craig Courtney

Jenny Ladd, soprano, David White, baritone, Bradley Duckstein, tenor

Prayer of Dedication

We thank you, O God, for all the goodness of this life. Now we offer to you our gifts of music, of money, and of praise. Sanctify them for your good work and embolden us to be your servants, now and always. Amen.

***Song** NCH #553 “There Is a Balm in Gilead” BALM IN GILEAD

Sermon “Did Jesus Perform Miracles?” Rev. Jonathan Page

***Closing Song** (insert) “How Great Thou Art”

***Sending Blessing**

Parting Music

Today's Worship Leaders

Liturgist: Terry Potter

Preacher: Jonathan Page

Minister to Children & Youth: Hannah Hannover

Youth Director: Ella Taggart

Music Director: Lesley Lackore

Keyboardist: Karen Stewart

Today's Ministers of Worship & Hospitality:

Deacon in Charge: Diane Birt

Property Supervisor: Roger Parmenter

Ushers: Lance Noe, Paul Clark & Donna Starck

Greeters: Linda & Bruce Hanson, Dick & Shirley Warren

Coffee Fellowship: Jan Brietman, Ellen Barnhart, Emily Kenneke, Lori Coyle

Welcome Table: Paul Lasley

Next Week September 29:

9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages:

Children's Sunday School: Pre-K (ages 3-5) & Rotation (grades K-6)

Youth Group: Meet in the Youth Room with Ella

Learning Center (FH): Sharing the World: How People Learn to Share

Prophets Course (Rm 104): Led by Charles Kniker

10:45 a.m. - Worship

Sermon: “The Great Debate: Jesus and the Second Coming” - Rev. Jonathan Page

Texts: Mark 13:14-27, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-5:3

4-8:00 p.m. - Fall Potluck Picnic at Inis Grove, Walnut Shelter

Welcome! We welcome all who worship here today. Whether you are passing through, attending with a friend or relative, searching for a church home, or seeking answers to life's questions, we are glad you are with us today. Please introduce yourself to the minister following the service and stay for refreshments so others in our fellowship may meet you. If you want to know more about our church, please tell the minister or indicate this on our fellowship pads.

In keeping with the life and teaching of Jesus Christ, we joyfully and unconditionally welcome all people of any age, gender, race, culture, ability, sexual orientation, or gender identity into our community of faith and affirm the worth of all people as unique individuals made in God's image. We are open to the special gifts that each person brings and invite each one to participate in the life of our church.

Nursery Care: We welcome children to stay during our worship service...in fact, we enjoy it! However, if you or your child(ren) would like to use our nursery, there are qualified child care providers during worship for infants and children through Kindergarten. Our nursery is located on the second floor on the east side of the church building. A parent or guardian will be required to sign their child in and out. Please feel free to use this service.

Bell Ringing for Peace every Wednesday: Join us at 12:10 p.m. in the UCC bell tower to ring the bell for peace and pray for worldwide peace. The Ames UCC is a just peace church.

To Contact The Reverend Jonathan C. Page:

During regular office hours or at any time, if the matter is not urgent, call the church. Please leave a message if The Reverend Jonathan C. Page is not available. If it is an emergency, don't hesitate to call his cell phone at 203-815-3816.

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