



UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 12, 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**

Centering Music "God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens" arr. D. Wood
Allow the music to help focus your soul for worship as you listen in silence.

***Call to Worship** (Exodus 20:12, Isaiah 66:13, Luke 2:18-19)
Cong'l Response: "Happy Mother's Day!"

***Gathering Song** (see insert) "This Is Our Father's World" TERRA BEATA

Opening Prayer

Silent Reflection

Readings from the Bible

Psalm 146 (p. 715 in the OT of your pew Bible)

Acts 16:16-34 (p. 166 in the NT of your pew Bibles)

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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 first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the second line. The melody is simple and repetitive, using quarter and eighth notes.

Children's Message

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.

Offering of Gifts

“Be Thou My Vision”
Men of the Chancel Choir

arr. Robert Hunt

***Sung Response**

“Joy Dawned Again On Easter Day”

O Sov - ereign One, with us a - bide in this our
joy - ful Eas - ter - tide; That we may give you
all our days the will - ing trib - ute of our praise.

***Prayer of Dedication**

The gift of resurrection reminds us that all we possess comes to us by the grace of God. May these gifts and offerings serve as a token of our love and gratefulness. May they be used to further God’s justice and love in the world. May we live in new life and share that life with others. Amen.

***Song NCH #502**

“Dear God Embracing Humankind”

REST

Sermon

“The Delusion of the Dollar”

Jonathan Page

***Closing Song (see insert)**

“Parting Hand”

***Sending Blessing**

Parting Music

Today's Worship Leaders

Liturgist: Sharron Slinger

Preacher: Jonathan Page

Minister to Children & Youth: Hannah Hannover

Youth Director: Emily Kenneke

Music Director: Lesley Lackore

Organist: Karen Stewart

Next Week of May 19 Pentecost and Confirmation Sunday:

9:30 a.m. - Children's Sunday School: Pre-K (ages 3-5) & Rotation (grades K-6)

Youth Group: Meet in the Youth Room with Emily

Learning Center: Potluck and brainstorming ideas for autumn Learning Center programs

Sermon: "Sealed by the Holy Spirit" Jonathan Page

Texts: Ephesians 1:13-23; Genesis 11:1-19

Announcements:

Please join us after worship in the parlor for cake in honor of Nancy Brown who is moving to Grinnell at the end of the month.

Flowers on the communion table are from Jonathan Page in honor of his mother, Nancy Page.

Movie Night: May 16 at 7 p.m. - *Gas Land*, a documentary about fracking

Attic to Basement Sale: We are now accepting donations for our annual Attic to Basement rummage sale that will happen August 23rd and 24th. Please bring donated items upstairs to Rooms 209-211. Note: we are not accepting TV's.

Food for MICA: During the month of May, we are collecting non-perishable, not-expired, food and personal items for the pantry. Please bring your donations, anytime, to the church parlor. Specific needs are: tuna, cereal, peanut butter, canned fruit, pasta sauces, Ramen noodles, mac & cheese, toilet paper, soap, shampoo, toothpaste, diapers (especially sizes 5-6), and feminine hygiene products. Money is always welcome!

UCC Book Club May 15 at 2:00 p.m.: The author, Fern Kupfer, will be joining us to discuss her book *Leaving Long Island*. Join the lively discussion.

Strengthen the Church offering Sunday, May 19.

On May 26, worship service shifts to 9:30 a.m.