

INFINITE
POSSIBILITIES

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. We extend a special welcome to our guests.

For Children: We have trained nursery staff (paid nursery attendant as well as adult volunteers) for ages 0-4. The nursery is located on the first floor outside of the Community Room. (Accessible by the stairs from the Church Street Entrance or via the elevator). Children ages 5 and above are invited to stay and worship with their families. Children's programs, books, and crayons are located in the rear of the sanctuary near the welcome table.

Hymn selections can be found in the black hymnals in the pew racks or printed in the bulletin. If you are visiting and did not stop at the welcome desk in the downstairs lobby please stop by after the service they would love to meet you or, please feel free to reach out to someone sitting near you and ask them questions about the service or church. Many of our visitors ask us about the time of offering. This is a time in our service when we respond to God's gifts of love by offering the gifts of our lives. For many of us, this is when we make a financial gift towards the ministries and programs of our church. We also use this time to ask God how we might use the gifts of our hands and hearts in sharing God's love. If you are visiting, there is no obligation to give a financial gift. We are just glad you are worshipping with us. At this time, we are taking offering at the end of the service. Plates for offering will be placed at the doors as you exit the sanctuary. Thank you.

We ask that you please silence your cell phones during our worship service. We also ask that you refrain from applause after our choirs sing and allow the music to resonate in the quiet of the sanctuary and in your hearts. Our musicians are playing and singing for the glory of God. They know you appreciate their efforts and their gift.

Rest rooms (equipped with changing stations) are located on the first floor of the church building and outside the Community Room and the Nursery.

There is much information about the church in this bulletin and our website: www.erucc.org.

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United Church of Christ
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November 13, 2022 Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 am

The numbered hymns are from The New Century Hymnal
*All who are able may stand

Chimes Concert at 10:00 am from Trinity Chapel's steeple

Greetings and Announcements

Prelude *Here I Am Lord*

- arr. A.B. Sherman
Cambridge Handbell Choir

***Call to Worship**

The God of new beginnings,
begins with us here in this place.
The God of re-creation,
re-creates dead-ends into new living.
The God of dreams,
dreams in us a new world.
The God of wholeness,
brings a new kind of harmony into this world.
The God of vision,
envisions new possibilities in us.
The God of love,
loves our lives and yet makes them new.
Come, let us worship our wondrous God.

***Opening Prayer**

God, you are creating a new heaven and a new earth, and you call us to be part of that re-creation. So here we gather to hear again your good news for this world and for ourselves. Open our eyes to see what you are doing, open our ears to hear your words that create this new thing, and open our hearts to the re-creation that begins for us, here in this community. Bless us in hearing your promises today as we offer ourselves in worship and trust in your good news here among us. Amen.

***Opening Hymn** *This Is a Day of New Beginnings*

#417

Unison

1 This is a day of new be - gin - nings, time to re -
2 For by the life and death of Je - sus, God's might - y
3 Then let us, with the Spir - it's dar - ing, step from the
4 Christ is a - live, and goes be - fore us to show and
* In faith we'll gath - er 'round the ta - ble to taste and

mem - ber and move on, time to be - lieve what love is
Spir - it, now as then, can make for us a world of
past and leave be - hind our dis - ap - point - ment, guilt, and
share what love can do. This is a day of new be -
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bring - ing, lay - ing to rest the pain that's gone.
dif - ference, as faith and hope are born a - gain.
griev - ing, seek - ing new paths, and sure to find.
gin - nings— our God is mak - ing all things new.
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***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

Creator God, sometimes we struggle to see ourselves as creators made in your image.

Sometimes we forget that you made us in love, and that you call us to love you in return.

Sometimes we remember too clearly the pains and heartaches of the past.

Sometimes we cling to them, and even re-create those painful times.

Sometimes we ignore your promise for our future.

Sometimes we forget to turn to you in prayer.

We forget to call on your name.

Forgive us, gracious God. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

God says: I am renewing heaven and Earth and I shall be with you.

Even now, I forgive.

Even now, I re-create.

Even now, I call you into something new.

I am renewing heaven and Earth and I am beginning with you, today.

Anthem *I'm So Glad*

- arr. S.T. Nelson
Chancel Handbell Choir

Thought for the Day

Tricia Coffey

The Lord's Prayer

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.

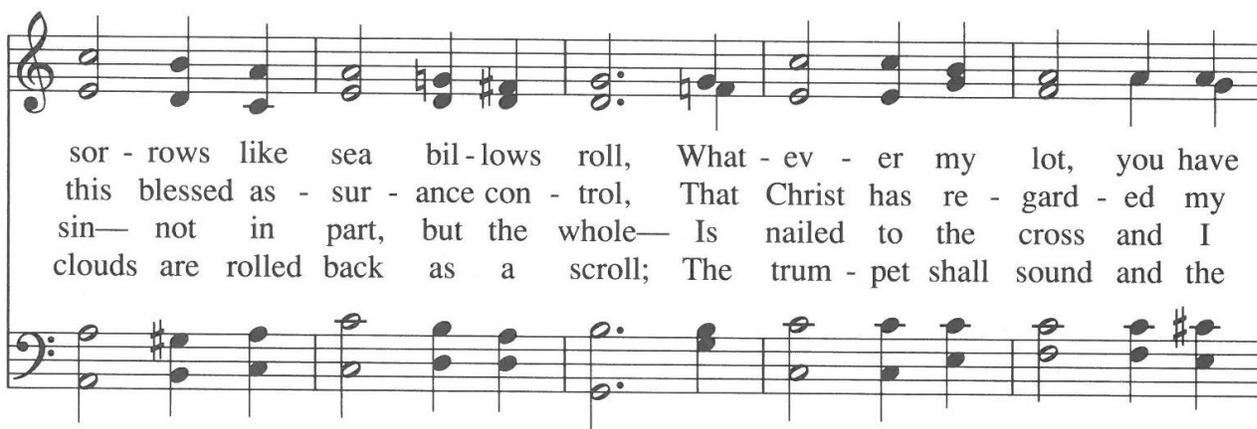
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

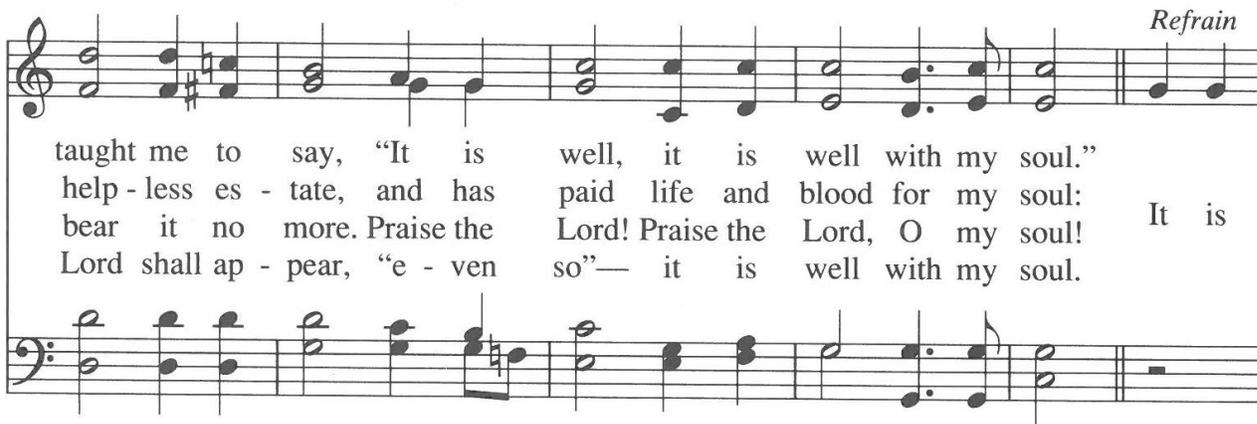
*Children ages 5 through 5th grade may be dismissed for Junior Church, located in the **Community Room** today, during the singing of the hymn.*



1 When peace, like a riv - er, up - holds me each day, when
2 Though e - vil should tempt me, though tri - als should come, let
3 My sin— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought— my
4 O God, speed the day that is filled with your light, when

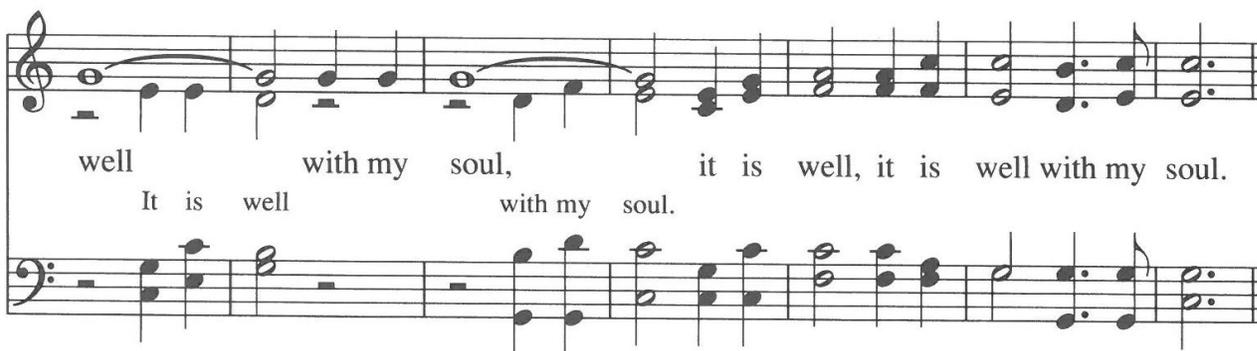


sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, What - ev - er my lot, you have
this blessed as - sur - ance con - trol, That Christ has re - gard - ed my
sin— not in part, but the whole— Is nailed to the cross and I
clouds are rolled back as a scroll; The trum - pet shall sound and the



Refrain

taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."
help - less es - tate, and has paid life and blood for my soul: It is
bear it no more. Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!
Lord shall ap - pear, "e - ven so"— it is well with my soul.



well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.
It is well with my soul.

The Scripture

Isaiah 65: 17-25

OT page 696

Luke 21: 5-19

NT page 85

Reader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Morning Prayers

Offering of Tithes, Gifts and Lives to Christ's Service

Offertory *You Do Not Walk Alone*

- E. Hagenberg
Spirit

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn** *We Shall Overcome*

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see next page

***Benediction**

We have no reason to fear the storms within nor the storms without
for we are bound together in a strong community of love.

And wherever there is love, there is God.

May we be a people of enduring vision and hope,
renewing the Earth with transforming love.

***An Old Irish Blessing**

- T. Jennings

May the road rise to meet you.

May the wind be always at your back.

**May the sun shine warm upon your face;
and the rains fall soft upon your fields.**

**And until we meet again, until we meet again,
may God hold you in the palm of God's hand until we meet again.**

Postlude *Celebrate with Joy*
(please be seated)

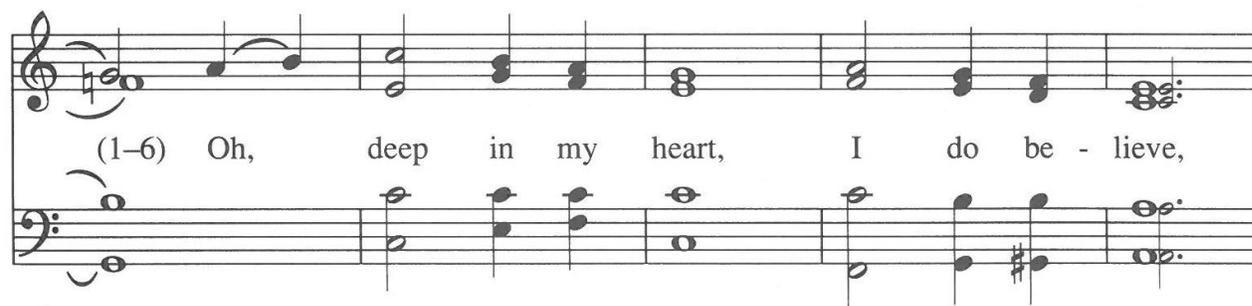
- C. Dobrinski
Cambridge Handbell Choir



1 We shall o - ver - come, we shall o - ver -
 2 We'll go hand in hand, we'll go hand in
 3 We are not a - fraid, we are not a -
 4 Our God will see us through, our God will see us



come, we shall o - ver - come some day;
 hand, we'll go hand in hand some day;
 fraid, we are not a - fraid to - day;
 through, our God will see us through some day;



(1-6) Oh, deep in my heart, I do be - lieve,



we shall o - ver - come some day.
 we'll go hand in hand some day.
 we are not a - fraid to - day.
 our God will see us through some day.

- 5 The truth shall make us free . . . some day.
- 6 We shall live in peace . . . some day.

The flowers on the altar this morning are in loving memory of my father, William B. Kreh from Susan E. Kreh.

The yellow rose bud is presented by Peter Brehm and Jack Day.

Attendance Last Sunday: 25 at 8:30 am, 129 at 10:30 am, and 59 online.

Watch
Worship
Live



Watch worship live every Sunday at 10:30 am or on-demand:
<https://sundaystreams.com/go/ERUCC>

Today: November 13, 2022

Scripture Reader: Jim Weitz
Deacons: Chuck Baldree, Matt Pomeroy
Elder: Tyler L. York
Greeters: Cathie Duncan, Eliza Stitely
Sue Pinner
Welcome: Jeanellen Kallevang
Audio/Visual: Kelly Esslinger, Jeff Schaeberle
Jeff Baker
Fellowship: Starr Schaeberle
Saturday Chimer: Dick Williams
Sunday Chimer: Kelly Esslinger

Next Week: November 20, 2022

Peg Stahler
Matt Davis, Harrison Fisher
Gerry Blessing
Tom and Rachel Ford
Cliff Barr
Julie Clark, Holly Davis
Rodney Martin, Jeff Schaeberle
Kendra Sampson
volunteers needed
Suzanne Morris
Robin and David Cooney

FELLOWSHIP

Please join us for fellowship in the Community Room after worship to chat with friends, welcome our visitors, and enjoy a time of refreshment.

The Community Room, located on the 1st floor, is accessible by stairs or elevator.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship Next Week: Christ the King / Reign of Christ Sunday

The reign of God, observed on this Christ the King/Reign of Christ Sunday. The Apostle Paul proclaims the reign of Christ in Colossians 1: 11-20. In our Gospel lesson, Luke 23: 33-43, at the place of the Skull, Jesus is crucified. This morning we will share in healing prayers.

Senior Choir will be singing.

Today, we welcome CH (LTC) Craig M. Johnson, Fort Detrick Garrison Chaplain, a minister of the United Church of Christ as our preacher this morning.

HOSPITAL AND PRAYER LIST

Your pastor wants to be available when members of ERUCC are in the hospital. Please let us know so that we can visit with you and your family and provide support. We always ask permission before adding a name to be included in the prayer list or in the verbal announcements on a Sunday morning. There are many for whom we pray and visit whose names are not listed in the bulletin by their request.

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Marcia Eisenstein, Bob Shafer, Lucas Putnam Conway, Joyce Kallevang (sister-in-law of Jeanellen Kallevang), Derek C. Hupp (grandson of Beanie and Gaylon Cornell), Barbara Rhoads, Barbara and Wayne Kolb (friends of Stefan and Judi Mach and Tony and Linda LaFianza), John Ewing (grandfather of Tyler York), Conway Barnes (brother-in-law of George and Linda Kline), Mary Ellen Baker, Pat Hevner, Jeannette Johnson, Starr Schaeberle, Jackie Keyser (sister-in-law of Betsy and Phil Selby), Tamara Tamas, Barbara Lee Crutchley (sister of Milt Crutchley), Marcy Channell (daughter of JoAnn Fritz), Paige Coffey, Jane Doll, Peggy Githerman, Emogene Wyand, Fran Wenner, Neremiah Castillo (niece of Andrew Beadle), Bonnie Devilbiss, The McCarty family, Tina Prescott (daughter in law of Barbara and Bill Prescott), Mary Remsberg, Heleen (sister of Karin Mens), Kathy Blue Shores (friend of Jean Fish and Barb Biser), Gretchen Manuel (niece of Audrey Rayfield), Ann and Cal Theiss (parents of Katharine Alley), Debra Reedy (friend of Jean Fish and Barb Biser).

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**LORD, LISTEN TO YOUR
CHILDREN PRAYING**

Sunday Education Opportunities for Adults

LET'S STUDY THE BIBLE with The Reverends John & Rebecca Shillingburg

North Room / Zoom

9:00 – 10:20 am

Zoom: bit.ly/3QSB77N

Meeting ID: 833 1890 5798

Passcode: 891524

He told them a parable ... Whenever we hear this in a reading from the gospels, be prepared to **DUCK!** While they may appear to be simple stories telling a moral, there's often a lot more going on in the parables. And Jesus' real meaning may be at odds with the simple moral we have heard so many times. Join us as we delve into these enigmatic stories told by Jesus ... stories that often left even the disciples scratching their heads in confusion.

LET'S TALK

Community Room

9:30 – 10:15 am

Today: Congregational Profile and Reflection: Marc Kline and Richard Leslie will share a draft congregational profile that identifies how we see ourselves, what we think our strengths and weaknesses are and what our vision is for the future. The elders and consistory created the draft, but it's a work in progress. Your voices and insights are needed for it to be truly reflective of who we are. Come join the discussion!

Next Week: Chill out day. This has been a busy fall, so we are taking a week to chill out before heading into the Advent season. Meet up in the Community Room for a relaxed morning of coffee and conversation before the 10:30 am service. All are welcome!

Weekly Education Opportunities for Adults

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY with The Rev. Barbara Kershner Daniel

Faithful and True: A Study Guide to the Book of Revelation

Tuesdays, October 11 – November 22

North Room / Zoom

11:00 am – Noon

Zoom: bit.ly/3TdUnOy

Meeting ID: 875 1423 3398

Passcode: 973365

"What in the world are we to make of the dizzying array of grand and grotesque images 'revealed' to an early Christ-follower named John? Enter the expert scholar-teacher Greg Carey as the perfect docent through Revelation's stunning gallery. Carey orients us to a 'faithful and true' focus on the 'faithful and true' Christ - a vital corrective to fanciful and false readings of Revelation that remain wildly popular." (F. Scott Spencer, author of *Salty Wives*, *Spirited Mothers*, and *Savvy Widows*).

What should modern readers make of the wildly fantastical Revelation to John? New Testament scholar Greg Carey offers an accessible guide to the daunting Book of Revelation, inviting us not to decode every symbol or tame every dragon, but rather to engage the urgent questions of power and loyalty.

This Week at ERUCC

TRINITY CHAPEL RESTORATION UPDATE

Sunday, November 13

Community Room / Zoom

11:30 am

Zoom: bit.ly/TC13Nov

Meeting ID: 857 7622 3982

Passcode: 706555



The necessary scope of work on the Trinity Chapel restoration project is more extensive than originally planned due to limitations imposed on us by the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC). Our original proposal did not meet their requirements. Because of the added cost resulting from this ruling and the prior suggestion at our public meeting that we completely reshingle the spire, we now have a decision to make.

Please join us on Sunday, November 13, following service in the Community Room or by Zoom to review the current scope of work needed and the options before us. This important discussion will inform the Property Committee's formal proposal to the congregation, which will be presented at the congregational meeting in December.

Upcoming at ERUCC

GREETERS MEETING

Sunday, November 20

Community Room

during Fellowship

Get some coffee, tea, and refreshments and join Pastor Barbara and Sue Pinner for a meeting of the Greeters Team. If you want to learn about or join our team, you are welcome!

NEW CHORAL MUSIC FOR ALISON E. SHAFER TO DEBUT NOVEMBER 20

During worship on Sunday, November 20, the new anthem commissioned in honor of Alison E. Shafer's 40th anniversary as ERUCC's Organist, Choir Master, and Music Director will have its debut performance. We look forward to sharing *Filled With Hallelujahs*, composed by Pepper Choplin, with you!

HANGING OF THE GREENS AND ADVENT WREATH MAKING

Sunday, November 27

12:00 – 2:00 pm

The more hands the merrier, and the quicker we get things done. Join us after morning worship to help prepare the church for Christmas.

Families of all ages are invited to make or "spruce up" your advent wreath! Supplies of votive candles, rings, artificial greens, ribbons and more will be provided as well as short take home advent readings. You may also bring bells, buttons, live greens, pompoms or other such bric-a-brac to use in your creation or share with others

ERUCC BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, November 29

Liz Coffey Room / Zoom

7:00 pm

Zoom: bit.ly/ER0821

Meeting ID: 824 9521 1145

Passcode: 343455

Fever by Mary Beth Keane. Read a book synopsis in the November Trinity Chimes at bit.ly/Nov22Chimes.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, December 18

Community Room

following 10:30 am service

The Consistory invites you to attend ERUCC's annual congregational meeting on Sunday, December 18, following the 10:30 am service. Agenda items will include reports on Consecration Sunday outcomes, Property Committee capital projects, and sharing and approval of the proposed 2023 ERUCC mission spending plan. A light lunch will be served. We are the church, and everyone's participation is encouraged.

Children and Family Ministry

SUPPER AND PACKING CARE PACKAGES

God's Kids Club and Youth Group

Sunday, November 20

Community Room

5:00 – 6:30 pm

We will share supper and pack care packages for our college students and those serving in the military. Members and friends of ERUCC are invited to share donations to put in the care packages such as prepackaged snacks, instant soup, popcorn, cocoa, tea, candy and raisins. Leftover Halloween candy is also a great donation! Donations can be put in the box in the entrances to both the chapel and main building.

Monetary donations are welcome and will be used to defray the cost of postage. Cash and checks can be placed in the offering plate and dropped off at the church office. You can also give online at erucc.org. Please mark your donation, "care packages."

Questions: contact Pastor Daniel at bkdaniel@erucc.org.

In search of addresses: We need current addresses for all our young adults between the ages of 18 to 25 years old. Addresses can be emailed to the church office at erucc@erucc.org.

HANGING OF THE GREENS AND ADVENT WREATH MAKING

Sunday, November 27

12:00 – 2:00 pm

Families of all ages are invited to make or "spruce up" your advent wreath during Hanging of the Greens. See details in the Upcoming at ERUCC announcements.

SAFE CHURCH TRAINING

Volunteers & Staff Working with Children & Youth

Adults and teen volunteers (7th grade or above) who will be working with children and/or youth should plan to attend one of three training sessions:

Saturday, December 3	9:00 – 11:00 am	Liz Coffey Room
Monday, December 5	6:00 – 8:00 pm	Community Room
Sunday, December 11	4:00 – 6:00 pm	Zoom

JUNIOR CHURCH

On all Sundays except the first Sunday of each month, children aged 5 – 5th grade may go to Junior Church after the Thought for the Day. Junior Church, a space to join in creative spiritual formation activities, will take place in the Thomas Room most weeks. Parents should pick up children from Junior Church following service.

Volunteer leaders needed! Contact Pastor Kirstin for more information and to express interest.

Youth Group

SUPPER AND PACKING CARE PACKAGES **God's Kids Club and Youth Group**
Sunday, November 20 **Community Room** **5:00 – 6:30 pm**

See details in Children and Family Ministry announcements.

DRESS-UP CHRISTMAS DINNER

Sunday, December 4 **Community Room** **6:00 – 7:30 pm**

Put on your finest and come for a special dinner. Renae Kline is organizing this evening on behalf of the parents.

Food donations are welcome! Sign up to donate needed grocery items: bit.ly/3DV9spZ



Additional Announcements

ERUCC HISTORY BOOK AVAILABLE



To commemorate the 275th Anniversary of ERUCC, the history book *Unto Us* has been updated to reflect our church history through 2020. The 8x11 hard backed history book, with color photo sections is available through the church office or on Sunday mornings.

Thanks to a generous donor, the cost of the book for purchase is \$20 per book.

If you are interested in purchasing a book, please call the church at (301) 662-2762 or email the church at erucc@erucc.org. We have plenty available for Christmas gift giving.

INTERFAITH PRAYER WALK FOR THE HUNGRY & HOMELESS

Sunday, November 13

100 South Street

6:30 pm

Join Frederick Interfaith for the 19th Annual Interfaith Prayer Walk for the Hungry and Homeless. The walk will begin and end at the Community Table, located at the Frederick Community Action Agency, 100 South Street, and will go to places that are significant to those in our community who are unhoused or food insecure. Prayers from a diversity of faiths will be offered. Following the Walk, there will be reflections and warm drinks inside The Community Table. A vision for solving the housing crisis will be shared.

For more information, contact frederickinterfaith@gmail.com.

A LITTLE SONG, A LITTLE DANCE – THE FREDERICK CENTER

Saturday, November 19

Community Room

7:00 – 11:30 pm

A Little Song, A Little Dance is a fundraiser for World Aids Day and benefits programs like the Frederick HIV Coalition, which provides free HIV testing, support services, fights stigma, and more for the Frederick community.

This year's show features some incredible performers and is family friendly! Come out and have a blast with us at the ERUCC Community Room while we raise funds for World AIDS Day!

Tickets: bit.ly/3G5vTTC

DAY TRIP TO NYC WITH GRACE UCC

Wednesday, November 30

Join Grace UCC for a bus trip to New York City on Wednesday, November 30. Cost is \$60/person. Drop off and pick up in NYC with the day on your own to see a Broadway matinee, visit the Rockefeller Center Christmas tree or just enjoy the holiday season in the city! For more information or to register call (301) 662-3312 or email admin@grucc.com.

Opportunities to Use Your Gifts at ERUCC

FELLOWSHIP

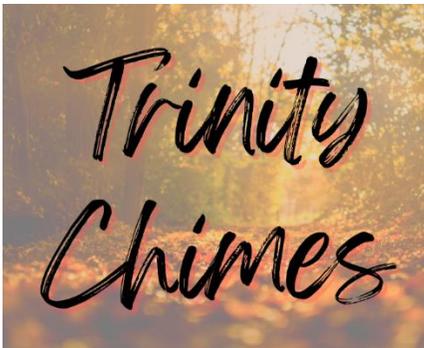
Consider helping with Fellowship! Helping with fellowship can be as easy as helping set up before worship, helping to serve during Fellowship after service, or bringing a special treat to share.

Contact Laura Rhoderick or Starr Schaeberle or sign up to share your gifts of hospitality at bit.ly/ERUCC_fellowship.

AUDIO/VISUAL TEAM

We are looking for volunteers to join our AV team. No special skills or experience is required. We rotate duty Sundays so you don't need to be there every Sunday. We each typically work about 2 Sundays each month. Schedules are set 3 months at a time, and we work together to cover shifts when someone's plans change. There are three people there each Sunday so you will always be with someone experienced. We will provide training on both audio and video consoles. If you are interested, please contact Jeff Schaeberle, jeff@erucc.org. You are also welcome to come up to the balcony on any Sunday to observe and learn more.

Stay Informed



Read our Trinity Chimes monthly newsletter for more information about ERUCC activities, opportunities, and updates. You can find the Trinity Chimes in the back of the sanctuary and online at bit.ly/Nov22Chimes.

If you have an announcement for the bulletin, Thursday Thoughts, or Trinity Chimes, please send to erucc@erucc.org. Submissions for Trinity Chimes must be received by the 15th to be considered for inclusion.

God is still speaking,
UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST

Sunday Morning Schedule

8:30 – 9:15 am	Worship , Trinity Chapel
9:30 am – 12:00 pm	Nursery Care , Main Building
9:30 – 10:15 am	Adult Education , Main Building <i>Let's Talk (9:30 am) and Let's Study the Bible (9:00 am)</i>
9:30 – 10:10 am	Children's Sunday School , Trinity Chapel <i>Ages 3 – 2nd Grade, 3rd – 6th Grade, Confirmation Class</i>
10:10 – 10:25 am	Children's Music & Movement , Trinity Chapel <i>Pre-K through high school</i>
10:30 – 11:30 am	Worship , Main Sanctuary
11:30 am	Fellowship , Community Room
11:30 am – 12:00 pm	Cambridge Handbell Choir Rehearsal , Flora Room <i>Pre-K through high school</i>

Committee and Team Meetings

Monday, November 14	Green Team	4:30 pm
	Spiritual Council	7:00 pm
Tuesday, November 15	Finance	6:00 pm
Sunday, November 20	Property	11:30 am
Monday, November 21	Stewardship / Generosity	7:00 pm
Monday, November 28	Consistory	7:00 pm

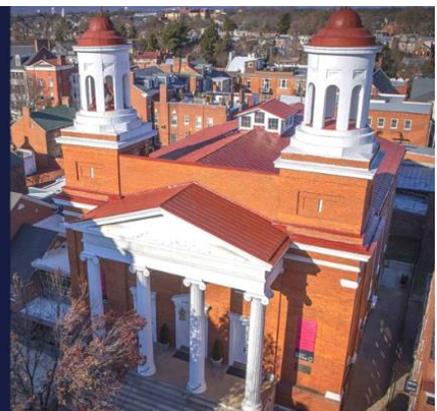
If you are interested in more information about these or other ERUCC committees and teams, please contact the church office at erucc@erucc.org or (301) 662-2762. Meeting dates and times are subject to change; Committee and team members should refer to their Chairs for the most up-to-date meeting information.

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of this congregation, seek to celebrate in word and deed the gospel of Jesus Christ, by nurturing spiritual growth through worship, study and prayer; by caring for one another as God cares for us; and by proclaiming God's love for all people as we work to help our neighbors near and far. We commit ourselves to develop and implement specific programs to fulfill our mission.



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Poinsettias



We will be ordering poinsettias from Frederick High School this year. All funds will benefit the horticultural program and Frederick High FFA Chapter. Each plant will have 4-6 blooms and will cost \$10. Plants will be placed in the Main Sanctuary and Trinity Chapel.

To order, please fill out the form and return with payment to the Church Office by December 1.

Plants can be picked up after the Christmas Eve Services; however, we would appreciate having some left in our buildings for the Candlelight Historic Houses of Worship Tour on Monday, December 26.

I would like to place _____ poinsettias in the church for Christmas.

Enclosed is \$_____ (\$10 per plant).

If you wish for your poinsettias to be listed in memory of, in honor of, or placed by the donor, please indicate which and PRINT the names below.

In memory of:

In honor of:

Placed by:

Donor Name:

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 13, 2022

Isaiah 65:17-25

Infinite Possibilities Stewardship Sunday

On this Stewardship Sunday, we look ahead with hope and make promises for how we as individuals will contribute to the health of the whole of the body of Christ in the year to come.

Our theme this year, *From Bread and Cup to Faith and Giving*, is a reminder that we give out of the goodness and abundance that we have received from a loving God. Of course, we don't just need this message and reminder at Stewardship time. At all times of year, through scripture, study, prayer and connection with our community and the wider world, we can be recalled back to the God whose love for us overflows. If you would like more resources to encourage your generous response to a gracious God, check out the books and brochures available at uccresources.com.

Everyone in the church would appreciate a copy of the brochure, "What Scripture Says About Giving," a quick and thoughtful guide to how and why to give to the work of the church.

Inspiring Generosity: A Stewardship Resource for the Local Church is a comprehensive guide to year-round stewardship. This 118-page manual is available in either book form or PDF download and features 4 fundraising methods for the local church, including "Consecrating Stewards," as well as chapters on the theological background on the motivation for giving and understanding mission.

The Gifting God: Change the Way You Look at Giving is a small group study that invites you and your small group into an exploration of what scripture has to say about giving, over the course of several weeks or sessions.

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