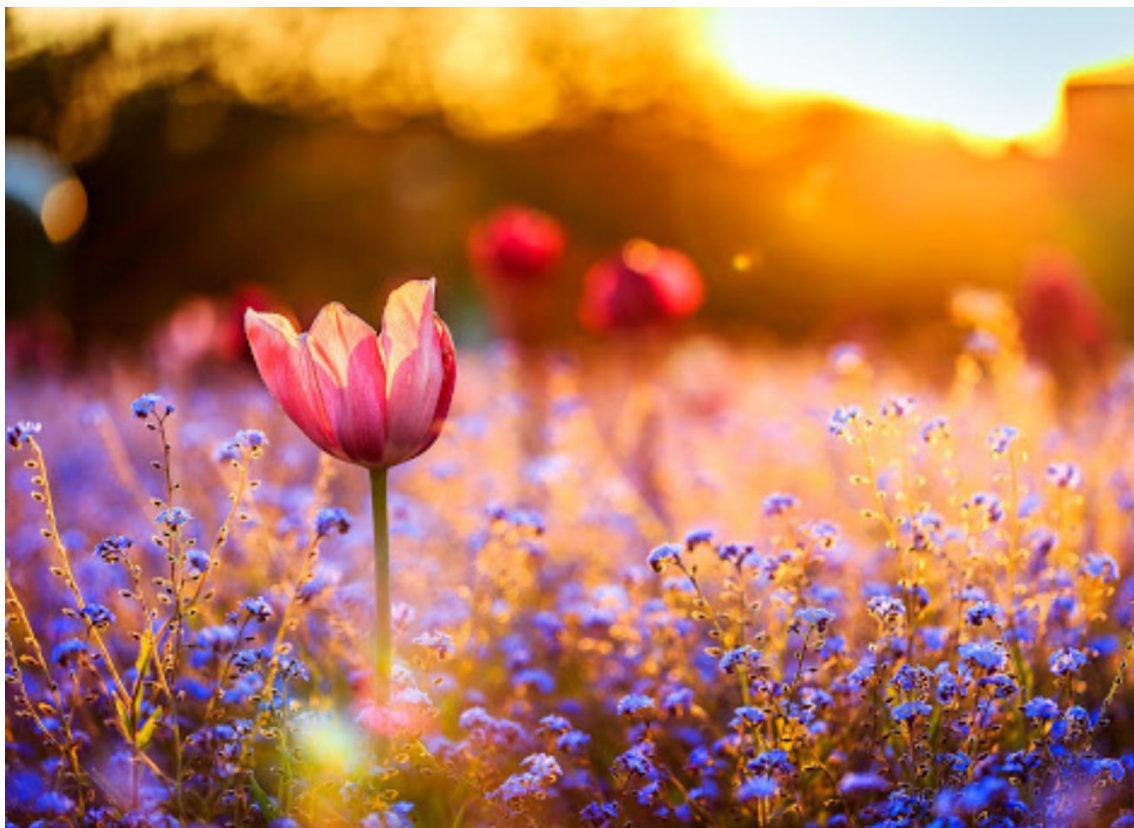


The Federated Church

United Church of Christ + Unitarian Universalist Association



Finding God in
'Ordinary Time'

October 3, 2021 | 10:00am

Order of Worship

*All music is from the **Black New Century Hymnal** in your pew back, unless noted otherwise.*

Prelude

Welcome & Passing the Peace

Gathering Hymns “Gather Us In” vv. 1, 2, 4 (p.5)

Centering Moment

Silent Prayer of Confession & Repentance

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 forever. Amen.

Sung Response “In Solitude” vs. 1-3 (p.6)

Scripture [Isaiah 1:10-18](#); [Hebrews 1:1-3, 2:10-12](#); [Mark 10:2-16](#)

Sermon “Let Us Argue It Out,’ Says the Lord”

Musical Meditation

Holy Communion

Invitation & Sung Response “Gather Us In” *verse 3* (p.5)

Words of Institution & Sharing Bread & Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Our Shared Life & Offering

Announcements

Offertory

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God for all that Love has done.

Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Sending Hymns “God of Love, We’ve Known Division” (p.7)

Benediction

Postlude

While the postlude plays, ushers will release you one row at a time, beginning in the back.

WORSHIP NOTES

Those serving us this morning are:

Pastor: Rev. Eric J. Ogi | **Ministers:** All of us! | **Director of Music:** Gary Mattin
Liturgist: Sharon McKee | **Ushers:** Dave Wood, Pam Wagener, Chris Borresen & Bev Whildin. *Those scheduled to usher next Sunday: Roger Jacobson, Gip Seaver, Judy Winter & Ruth Olle.*

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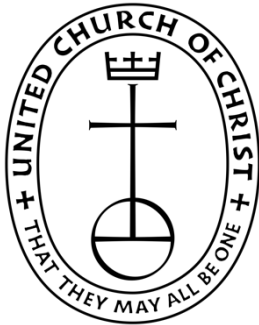
YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!

Federated Church is an Open & Affirming Community. In a time of deep division and vitriolic rhetoric around issues of race, ethnicity, gender, and sexuality, and where the dignity of people living with disabilities or mental health issues are often ignored, demonized, or turned into a joke, we promise to: Welcome all people of every age, gender, race, national origin, faith expression, marital status & family structure, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, physical ability, mental or emotional condition, economic and social status, and educational background to share in the life, leadership, ministry, fellowship, worship, sacraments, responsibilities, blessings, and joys of our church family.

The Rainbow Flag: We proudly display a rainbow flag at the front of our sanctuary as a visual declaration of God's extravagant and inclusive love, as well as of our own "promise of welcome" to all people. Our prayer is that all can be their truest selves here. This flag serves as a particular signal that our church is a safe and affirming space for LGBTQ+ persons to be, to belong, to lead, to question, and to grow in faith.

“Welcoming Any, Loving All”

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Gather Us In



1. Here in this place — new light is stream-ing, now are the shad - ows
 2. We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old, who
 3. Here we will take the wine and the wat - er, here we will take the
 4. Not in the space of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van-ished a - way, see in this space, our fears and our dream-ings,
 yearn for your face, we have been sung through-out all of his - t'ry,
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your chil-dren to - ge - ther
 light years a - way, but here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day. — Gath-er us in, the
 called to be light to the whole hu-man race. — Gath-er us in, the
 call us a-new to be salt for the earth. — Give us to drink the
 now is the kin-dom, now is the day. — Gath-er us in, and



lost and for - sak - en, gath-er us in, and free us from shame; call to us now, and
 rich and the haught-y, gath-er us in, the proud and the strong; give us a heart so
 wine of com pas - sion, give us to eat the bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and
 hold us for - ev - er, gath-er us in, and make us your own, gath-er us in, all



we shall a-wak-en, we shall a-rise at the sound of our name. —
 meek and so low-ly, give us the cour-age to en - ter the song. —
 teach us to fash-ion lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true. —
 peop-les to-geth-er, fire — of love in our flesh and our bone. —

In Solitude

1 In sol - i - tude, in sol - i - tude, I come to God in prayer.
2 When-e'er the world is troub-ling me, and stress is all a - round,
3 In sea - sons of per - plex - i - ty, in times of deep de - spair,
4 And when my heart is bur - dened down with cares for those I love,
5 With psalms and hymns and songs of praise be - fore my God I'll come,

In si - lence and sim - plic - i - ty, my spir - it blos - soms there.
I seek the pres - ence of my God, and heal - ing light is found.
I light a can - dle in the night and turn to God in prayer.
too deep for words, with groans and sighs, de - scends the ho - ly dove.
till death it - self is past and gone, and I ar - rive at home.

God of Love, We've Known Division

1. God of love, we've known di - vi - sion and we've seen its aw-ful cost.
2. Turn us, Lord, from what di - vides us— fear that drives us far a - part,
3. May we all, in con-ver - sa - tion, speak the truth and lis-ten well.
4. You have chal-lenged us to good-ness; you have shown a kind-er way.

We have strug-gled as a na - tion, and there's much that we have lost.
greed that leads to great in - jus - tice, ra - cist ways that break your heart.
May we hear, a - cross this na - tion, sto - ries oth - ers have to tell.
It's your love that now in - spires us as we seek a bet - ter day.

We have been a house di - vi - ded— and, di - vi - ded, we can't stand.
May we seek what brings to - ge - ther— hearts that bear each oth - er's pain,
May we learn from oth - er cul - tures and be blessed by their world - view;
May we end our harsh di - vi - sion; may we stop the hate and fear.

May our na - tion be u - ni - ted; give us peace through - out this land.
care and mer - cy toward our neigh - bors, love that wel - comes stran - gers in.
May we serve with one a - noth - er— lov - ing oth - ers, lov - ing you.
Make us one, Lord, as a na - tion; may we be u - ni - ted here.