

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Woodland

Bulletin, February 20, 2022

(10:30 AM In-Person & Live Stream Worship Service)

(We welcome you. Whoever you are, wherever you are from, wherever you are in your faith journey, whomever you love, whatever your ethnicity or first language, whatever your past, regardless of your abilities and whether you are rich or poor or in between...you are welcome here.)

Musical Prelude—Jay Surdell

Our shared life together, aka, announcements

Here are some things our church is doing this week which just might help us grow in love and find the reconciliation with others that helps make us whole.

Call to Worship—Larry Love

Opening Song—“*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*” *Chalice Hymnal #2*
(Verses #1, 3, & 4)

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
drive our fear and doubt away;
giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.
3. Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
well-spring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.
4. Mortals, join the happy chorus;
stars of morning, take your part;
love divine is reigning o'er us,
binding those of tender heart.
Ever singing, move we onward,
victors in the midst of strife,
joyful music lifts us sunward
in the triumph song of life.

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Opening Prayer—Unison—Sue Tarleton

God of love,

take hold of us in this act of worship,
and do not let us go

until we have been blessed

by a vision of love,

infinitely generous, gentle and forgiving;
simple, wholesome, mysterious, profound;
in which all are accepted and no one rejected;
love that never ends.

Living God, Love itself, make us gracious, merciful
and loving like you our heavenly parent.

In the name of Jesus. Amen.

Response—“Weave” *Chalice Hymnal* #495

Weave, weave, weave us together,
Weave us together in unity and love,
Weave, weave, weave us together,
Weave us together, together in love.

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A Story for Children of All Ages—Marjorie Brown

Scripture Text—*Luke 6:27-38*—Sue Tarleton

Special Music—Jay Surdell

Sermon Text: —*Genesis 45:3-22*—Larry Love

Reader: *The message of God for the people of God.*

All: Thanks be to God.

Message—“*Blessed Are the Reconciled*”—Pastor Larry Love

Song of Commitment—“*Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*” *Chalice Hymnal* #589

1. Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart.
In-a my heart, (in-a my heart,) in my heart, (in-a my heart,)
Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart, (in-a my heart).
2. Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart.
In-a my heart, (in-a my heart,) in my heart, (in-a my heart,)
Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart, (in-a my heart).

3. Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart, in-a my heart,
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart.
In-a my heart, (in-a my heart,) in my heart, (in-a my heart,)
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart, (in-a my heart).

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Pastoral Prayer and 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 the evil:
for thine is the kingdom, and the power
and the glory, forever, and ever.
Amen. Amen.

Responsive Song—“*O Lord, Hear My Prayer*” *Chalice Praise #104*

O Lord, hear my prayer; O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

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Call to Stewardship—Sue Tarleton

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Communion Call and Prayer—John Chase

Words of Institution—Communion—Peace—Prayer—Larry Love

Closing Song—“*Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race*” *Chalice Hymnal #485* (Verses #1, 2, & 4)

1. Diverse in culture, nation, race, we come together by your grace.

God, let us be a meeting ground where hope and healing love are found.

2. God, let us be a bridge of care connecting people ev-'rywhere.
Help us confront all fear and hate and lust for pow'r that separate.
4. God, let us be a table spread with gifts of love and broken bread,
where all find welcome, grace attends, and enemies arise as friends.

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Benediction and Postlude

Announcements:

- Today—Zoom worship, 9 a.m.
- Today—In person worship, 10:30 a.m. There will also be a Zoom link sent out for this service.
- Today—Elders meeting after worship, 11:50 a.m. or so.
- Monday—Presidents Day, church office is closed.
- Monday—Fellowship in Parker Hall, 9:30 a.m.
- Tuesday—Deadline for newsletter articles, 9 a.m.
- Tuesday—Bible Study via Zoom, 10:30 a.m.
- Tuesday—Prayer Time via Zoom, 11:30 a.m.
- Tuesday—Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday—Book study, 6:45 p.m. in the Library. We are reading chapters 15-17 of **Nadia Bolz-Weber's book Accidental Saints**.
- Thursday—Choir practice, 6:15 p.m.
- Friday—Dominoes, 6:30 p.m. in Parker Hall
- Next Sunday—Welcome Table Worship, 8 a.m. Contact **Beja Springer** for Zoom link.
- Next Sunday—Zoom worship, 9:00 a.m.
- Next Sunday—In person worship, 10:30 a.m., which will also be Zoomed.
- Pastor's Class for anyone wishing to be baptized during the Easter Season begins today (about 11:50 a.m. for about an hour). The class will be offered for six Sundays until just before Easter.
- Larry's hours in the church office are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday-Thursday.
- Pastor Larry's days off are Friday and Saturday.

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Prayer Requests:

Thanks for:

- The Woodland Food Closet and its expanding mission here in Woodland.
- To the Spanish speaking woman who brought us six boxes (84 bouquets) of roses last Wednesday...which were distributed to a lot of people.
- **Becky Holland's nephew and family** safely back in Washington D. C. after being brought home from his embassy post in Kyiv, Ukraine.

Prayers of concern for:

- **Del Zeiger**— Gall bladder surgery on Tuesday, February 22nd
- Family of Emma, a young middle school girl who died tragically a few weeks ago.
- Peace between Russia and Ukraine.
- The Woodland Food Closet as they expand their mission and go through the process of moving to another site after 50+ years in our church building.
- **Jaime Gordon** as she does the taxing work of contact tracing for those testing positive for COVID.
- The family of **George Costa** who passed away recently and much too young.
- Marjorie Brown's cousins, **David** and **Kelly** on a missionary trip to Iraq.
- **Josue Garcia** and other homeless persons and especially those dealing with mental illness.
- **Sarah Tarleton, Dona Ostergaard, The Shull family, and Ana Mangandi**, all of whom have lost loved ones in recent weeks.
- **Neil Elder** asked for prayers for his **cousin, Jim Peterson**, whose wife just died. Jim lives in Wisconsin.
- **Mike Parker, the brother of Nancy Ramirez (who is the Love's neighbor)**. Mike is having surgery in the not too distant future for brain aneurysms.
- **Kam Arnold, younger brother of Alexa Love's boyfriend**. Kam is undergoing a regimen of chemotherapy.
- **Abby Wilmot's great-grandmother** in Oregon
- **Karen Garrison, Gloria Dewey's sister-in-law** struggling with ill health.

- Peace on the Russian/Ukraine border...and between China and Taiwan.
- **Heather Craig's** family members dealing with COVID
- **Grandson of Becky Holland's aunt.** This man in his forties is on hospice and very near the end of his life.
- Healthcare workers who continue to be under tremendous stress as a result of the COVID pandemic.
- New **friends of Barb Patterson, Kathy and Dick**, as Dick deals with Parkinson's Disease.
- **Alberta Bradley** dealing with some health concerns as well as concerns for **her husband, Phil**, whose Alzheimer's disease is progressing.
- **Laura Daggett's mother, Pauline**, who is dealing with Lupus. Also **Laura's stepfather, Roger**, concerned about an abnormal blood test result, **Laura's aunt, Sherry**, still recovering from a broken arm, and **brother, Paul**, suffering with mental illness...and Laura as she has begun her theological education.
- **Leigh Dieckmann** diagnosed with an eye disorder called solar retinopathy, extreme light sensitivity, and severe chronic pain.
- Prayers for the healing of our country in this deeply divided time.

Ongoing prayers for:

Joyce Henning, Chuck and Barbara Blaisdell, Ricardo Rico, Kevin Dooley, Beth Erickson, Ted Pitts and daughter (Margaret), Willie Paulucci, Flo Tinsley, Katharine (Patty Overfield's mother), Lisa Austin (friend of Megan Shull), Jim Craig (Heather Craig's uncle on hospice), Nancy Love's parents (Ellis and Gloria)

WHAT IS THE 24-HOUR PRAYER VIGIL?

Every year the Christian Church Disciples of Christ asks local congregations to pray every day

(24 hours a day) during Lent
(Ash Wednesday through Easter).

Woodland Christian Church traditionally participated on
ASH WEDNESDAY.

From 12:00AM-12:00AM
on March 2, 2022,

folks from our church will be praying.

This year we can pray at home or in the chapel at church.

You can sign up for ½ hour or an hour. You can pray for our church, our community, a friend or family member, yourself, our world or.....

You can sign up at church
on February 13, 20 or 27
or contact Gloria Dewey
at (530) 665-3815.

Lenten Devotionals are available!

RISE

an authentic Lenten devotional

by John Pavlovitz

The devotionals are available

at church or the church office.

Lent begins Wednesday, March 2nd.



Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday, March 2nd, 6:30 p.m.

Hopefully in the sanctuary...though perhaps online...or both.

All are welcome to this service

that includes the imposition of ashes upon our foreheads.

Lenten Study Series

Wednesday evenings, March 9th through April 13th, 6 p.m.

We will be using Judith Jones' book,

The Women in the Gospel of John: The Divine Feminine.

(As you may know, Judith is a new member of our congregation,
and is an ordained minister in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Hopefully this study series will include dinner together in Parker Hall
(the church social hall in the education building)...and a study time together.

The sermons and worship services for Lent will also be taken from the passages
in the Gospel of John that are the subject of the Wednesday night studies.

All are welcome to join us on these Wednesday evenings.

Lenten Lunches

Each Wednesday of Lent beginning March 9th, 12 noon, a different church in Woodland
Ecumenical and Multi-faith Ministries will host a luncheon and a brief service of worship.

(We will, of course, only do these if the COVID Omicron wave has ended by then.)

Watch the Sunday bulletins, and the February newsletter for more information and
for locations of the lunches.

GOOD FRIDAY—APRIL 15

Stations of the Cross

On Friday April 15 we will have Interactive Stations of the Cross

From 3-6 PM

What are Stations of the Cross?

There will be 10 stations which represent an event in the last week of Jesus' life.

The stations will be in the sanctuary and courtyard and will be self-guided.

You can come anytime during the 3-hour time period and stay as long as you would like. There will be a "quiet place" if you just want to simply be still or pray.