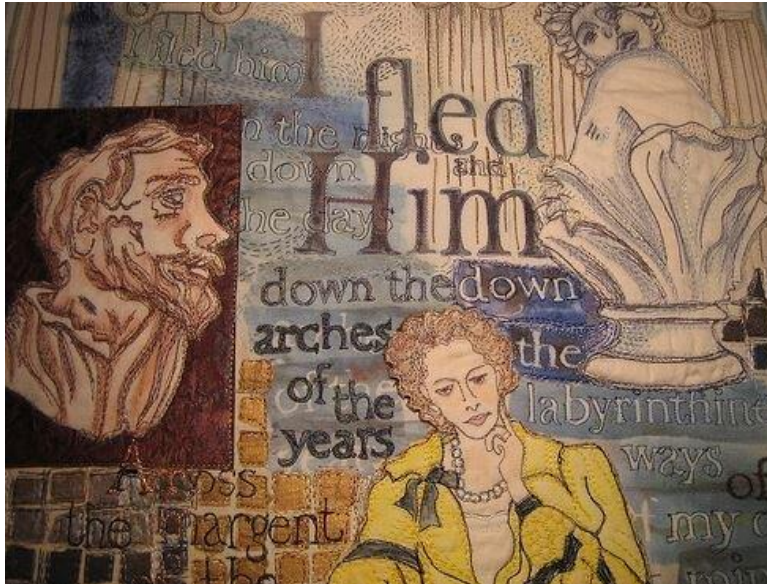


# Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Woodland

Bulletin, May 22, 2022  
(9:00 A.M. Zoom 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.)



## Sixth Sunday of Easter *"The Hound of Heaven"*

**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 experience more fully the amazing love that pursues humanity all through history, pursues us all through our lives.*

**Call to Worship**—Larry Love

**Opening Song**—*"I Am the Light of the World!"* Chalice Hymnal #469  
(Verses #2, 3, &4)

**Refrain:**

"I am the Light of the World!  
You people come and follow me."  
If you follow and love you'll learn the mystery  
of what you were meant to do and be.

2. To find the lost and lonely one,  
to heal the broken soul with love,  
to feed the hungry children with warmth and good food,  
to feel the earth below, the sky above!
3. To free the prisoner from his chains,  
to make the powerful care,  
to rebuild the nations with strength and goodwill,  
to see God's children everywhere!
4. To bring hope to every task you do,  
to dance at a baby's new birth,  
to make music in an old person's heart,  
and sing to the colors of the earth!

Words: Jim Strathdee, *in response to a Christmas poem by Howard Thurman*;

Music: Jim Strathdee

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### **Opening Prayer**—Unison—Larry Love

Loving God,

too often we play hide and seek with you.

We know you are always ready to receive us

but we often run and hide unwilling

to be caught up in your life-giving love.

And yet, you are the seeking one, the hound of heaven who tenaciously pursues us in love.

We come to you this day

because you have already come to us;

you have sought us out in your gracious love. Grant us, in this time of worship, a renewed sense of your presence.

Tell us again of your great love and amazing grace. Confident of your love,

help us to move forward with the great work

you have given us to do,

loving you with all our heart, soul, mind and

strength and loving our neighbors

with as much energy as we love ourselves.

In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

### **Response**—“*Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!*” *Chalice Praise #30*

Praise, praise, praise the Lord!

Praise God's holy name, Alleluia!

Praise, praise, praise the Lord!

Praise God's holy name, Alleluia!

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Praise God's holy name, Alleluia!

Words and Music: Cameroon processional song,  
Collected by Elaine Hanson

**Scripture Text**—*Psalm 105:1-15, 23-27, 37-39, 43-45*—Larry Love

**Special Music**—Jay Surdell

**Sermon Text**—*Genesis 11:27—12:3*—Pastor Larry Love

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

**All:** Thanks be to God.

**Message**—“*The Hound of Heaven*”—Pastor Larry Love

**Song of Commitment**—“*All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*” *Chalice Hymnal #419*  
(Verses #1 & 2)

1. All who hunger gather gladly;  
holy manna is our bread.  
Come from wilderness and wand’ring.  
Here, in truth, we will be fed.  
You that yearn for days of fullness,  
all around us is our food.  
Taste and see the grace eternal.  
Taste and see that God is good.

2. All who hunger, never strangers;  
seeker, be a welcome guest.  
Come from restlessness and roaming.  
Here, in joy, we keep the feast.  
We that once were lost and scattered  
in communion’s love have stood.  
Taste and see the grace eternal.  
Taste and see that God is good.

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Music: Columbian Harmony

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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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**Communion Call and Prayer**—Larry Love

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

**Closing Song**—“*Hallelujah (Your Love Is Amazing)*” *Chalice Praise #21*

Your love is amazing, steady and unchanging.  
Your love is a mountain firm beneath my feet.  
Your love is a mystery, how you gently lift me.  
When I am surrounded, your love carries me

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,  
your love makes me sing.  
And hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,  
your love makes me sing.

Your love is surprising; I can feel it rising,  
All the joy that's growing deep inside of me.  
And ev'ry time I see you, all your goodness shines through,  
and I can feel this God song rising up in me.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,  
your love makes me sing.  
And hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,  
your love makes me sing.

Your love is amazing, steady and unchanging.  
Your love is a mountain firm beneath my feet.  
Your love is a mystery, how you gently lift me.  
When I am surrounded, your love carries me

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,  
your love makes me sing.  
And hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,  
your love makes me sing.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,  
your love makes me sing.  
And hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,  
your love makes me sing.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,  
your love makes me sing.  
And hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,  
your love makes me sing.

Lord, you make me sing.  
How you make me sing.

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## **Benediction**

## **Announcements**

- Today—Welcome Table Worship, 8 a.m. Contact **Beja Springer** for Zoom link.
- Zoom worship, 9 a.m.
- Today—Sunday School, 10 a.m.
- Today—In person worship, 10:30 a.m. There will also be a Zoom link sent out for this service. The service is also livestreamed to Facebook and is linked to our website for viewing at a later time.
- Monday—Fellowship time in the library, 9:30 a.m.
- Tuesday—Bible Study—“God’s Story, Our Story: A Dash Through the Bible, 10:30 a.m. via Zoom.
- Tuesday—Prayer time via Zoom, 11:30 a.m.
- Tuesday—Protocols team meeting, 1 p.m.
- Tuesday—Board meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday—Study of **“God’s Story, Our Story: A Dash Through the Bible.”**  
If you would like a copy of the materials, please contact Larry at 530-662-9356.

- Thursday—Choir practice, 6:15 p.m.
- Next Sunday—Zoom worship, 9:00 a.m.
- Next Sunday—Sunday School, 10 a.m.
- Next Sunday—In person worship, 10:30 a.m., which will also be livestreamed.
- 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:

- **Linda Tuman** returning safely to Woodland after her time in Southern California visiting relatives and attending memorial services for Doyle and her uncle.
- The life of **Judith Jones** who died last Wednesday.
- For **Patty Overfield** and the wonderful vendor fair she put together yesterday here at our church.
- **Penny**, neighbor of the Sosas and Loves, who is doing well with her thyroid cancer treatment.

Prayers of concern for:

- The people of **Ukraine, Russia, and the whole world** in face of the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Prayers for peace.
- Those suffering from recent gun violence in Buffalo, Orange County, Chicago, and elsewhere.
- Our church as we seek to be led by God into the life-giving future God has for us.
- All of those families who have lost someone to COVID as this week in the U. S. we experienced our 1 millionth COVID death.
- **Alice Schoner** as she has a procedure on her voice box this Thursday.
- **Dale Stiles** as he continues to deal with health issues.

- **Delane Edwards** as he recovers at home following a hospital stay.
- **Skip Slaymaker** who is dealing with congestive heart failure.
- Those with recent losses of loved ones including **Fred Jones and Mary Atchison, Marjorie Brown and Sam, Heather, Saige, Ivy and Judah Morgan, Linda Tuman** and family, and **Karen Webber** and family.
- **Marj Hansen and Carolyn Bennett** who are both in Alderson's Convalescent Hospitalization.
- **Susie Hardman** as she still is not feeling well.
- **Laura Daggett's mother** dealing with Lupis, **brother** dealing with mental health issues...and **the brother of Laura's neighbor** who is dying of cancer.
- **Leigh Dieckmann** diagnosed with an eye disorder called solar retinopathy, extreme light sensitivity, and severe chronic pain.
- Four members of **John Chase's** family dealing with COVID.
- Prayers for the healing of our country in this deeply divided time.

Ongoing prayers for:

**Joyce Henning, Jim Craig (*Heather Craig's uncle*), Ricardo Rico, Kevin Dooley, Katharine (*Patty Overfield's mother*), Alberta and Phil Bradley**