"The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched – they must be felt with the heart." ~ Helen Keller



Sunday, February 16, 2025

Music Prelude

Bell Tolling - Welcome to Worship (* = all who are able, please stand)

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Let us trust in the Lord,

and we will be protected.

Let us delight in the Lord,

and we will have the desires of our hearts.

Let us commit our way to the Lord,

and the Lord will act. Let us worship God!

*Hymn of Gathering "All Hail the Power" Black Hymnal, #304

Prayer cards are collected during the Hymn.

*Gathering Prayer (unison)

Merciful God, in Jesus Christ you have shown us the way to live and how to treat others with love. May your Holy Spirit cleanse our minds, thoughts, and actions so that we may love others as you have loved us. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

*Sharing the Peace
The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

Scripture Reading Psalm 1

Luke 6: 17-26

Children's Moment

Song of Reflection "You Are My King (Amazing Love)"

Sermon "Honoring Who?" Rev. Tracey Harris

*Song of Response "Be Now My Vision" Black Hymnal, #451

Offertory

Let us examine our hearts and minds, for God loves a cheerful giver. Let us give our gifts and treasures to the Lord.

Offering Song "Give Us Clean Hands"

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below,

Praise God above, you heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Amen. Amen. Prayer of Dedication (unison)

God of wisdom and discernment, we offer these gifts with trust in you, knowing that those who place their hope in you are like trees planted by the water, bearing fruit in every season. Bless these offerings that they may grow and flourish to bring life, healing, and renewal to others. May our giving reflect hearts rooted in faith and lives guided by your grace. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

Community Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Faith in Action

*Song of Sending "Lord, Reign in Me"

*Commission and Blessing

Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Benediction

Music Postlude

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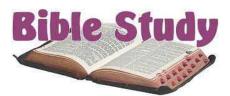


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Toilet Tissue Kleenex Men's and Women's Deodorant

Shampoo and Conditioner Laundry Detergent Dish Liquid



Tuesday evening at 7 pm and Wednesday morning at 9 am. Bible Study is held in the Conference room. Please bring your bibles.

Sunday mornings after Worship Sunday School is held in the Hospitality Room



Emergency Warming Center at St. John UCC-St. Charles. They are looking for both men and women's boots. "Last night it was heartbreaking to see the conditions of these individuals shoes and the bags they have tied around their feet in an attempt to keep them warm. While we are grateful the roads are clear, the sidewalks are not... which makes for soggy toes and no one likes soggy toes!" If you have any adult boots you are willing to donate they would be appreciated. They are also always appreciative for any other donations of hats, gloves, socks, pants, coats, etc. Thank you in advance!!

You can drop them off at John UCC-St. Charles or drop them off in the Well of Hope in the Narthex at Friedens.

Celebration Center Dedication & Open House ~ February 23 Dedication in the Fellowship Hall after Worship with Open House tours in the Celebration Center.

Easter Ensemble

I'd like to invite everyone who loves to sing to join our Easter Ensemble. Rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, February 26, at 6:30 PM (no rehearsal March 5). We'll prepare special music for Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday. If you're interested, please come see me after the service or email lilyannrice@gmail.com.





March 5, Worship @ 7:00 pm

Lenten Dinner & Devotion

@ 5:30 pm

Wednesday, March 12

Wednesday, March 19

Wednesday, March 26

Wednesday, April 2

Wednesday, April 9





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ROCK n ROLL BINGO - FRIDAY, APRIL 11

Doors open @ 6:00 pm. ~ Bingo begins @ 6:30 pm.

Tickets are on sale now. Please contact the Church Office email to purchase tickets OR sign up on the church office window. A flyer with details is located on the Church Office window.