



First Congregational

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Fifth Sunday after Epiphany



February 9, 2025

Worship Leader

Nancy Mahood

Children's Message

Brandyn Miller

Director of Music

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Brandyn Miller

Organist

Hudson Lourenço-Feld

Office Manager

Michelle Wolfe

Custodian

Kyle Lindaman

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Prelude	Hymn Improvisation	Hudson Lourenço-Feld
Welcome and Announcements		Nancy Mahood
*Call to Worship		Nancy Mahood
Leader: Come, all who seek the peace of Christ.		
People: We gather to worship the One who breaks down dividing walls.		
Leader: In Christ, we are no longer strangers, but members of God's household.		
People: Together, we are built into a holy temple, where God's Spirit dwells.		
Leader: Let us worship the Prince of Peace, who has reconciled us to God and one another.		
People: With joy and thanksgiving, we lift our hearts in praise!		
*Opening Hymn	<i>The Church's One Foundation</i>	#260 (Pilgrim - Red)
*Prayer of Invocation (unison)		Brandyn Miller
Holy God, You are our peace and our unity. In You, the walls that divide us crumble, and the bonds of love are strengthened. As we worship today, open our hearts to Your presence. Teach us to walk in Your ways and to embrace the peace You have given us in Christ. Let Your Spirit guide us so that we may live as one people, glorifying You in all we do. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.		
Choral Anthem	<i>In the Stillness of Grace</i> - Joel Raney	Chancel Choir
Invitation to Offertory		Nancy Mahood
Offertory	Hymn Improvisation	Hudson Lourenço-Feld
*Doxology		#515 (Pilgrim - Red)
*Prayer of Dedication		Nancy Mahood
Children's Message		Brandyn Miller
Scripture Reading	Ephesians 2:14-18	Nancy Mahood
Leader: This is the word of the Lord		
All: Thanks be to God!		
Message	<i>"He is our peace"</i>	Brandyn Miller
*Hymn of Response	<i>It is Well</i>	(See Screen)

Joys & Concerns

Nancy Mahood

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (unison)

Brandyn Miller

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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

***Parting Hymn**

In Christ There Is No East or West

#394 (NCH - Black)

***Benediction**

Brandyn Miller

Postlude

Hymn Improvisation

Hudson Lourenço-Feld

* Please Rise in Body or Spirit

Sunday School for students up to 6th grade is provided after the Children's Message.

We welcome your child(ren) to follow our Sunday School leaders to the youth director's office at the conclusion of the Children's Message.