



First Congregational

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost



October 20, 2024

Worship Leader

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Mini Message

Brandyn Miller

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Hudson Lourenço-Feld

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Michelle Wolfe

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

Prelude *Arioso* from Cantata 156 - J S Bach Hudson Lourenço-Feld

Welcome and Announcements Craig Driver

***Call to Worship** Craig Driver

Leader: We gather today, called to seek God's righteousness in all that we do—in our relationships, in our work, and in our communities.

People: As the prophet Amos reminds us, we are to seek good and not evil, that we may live; to establish justice and righteousness in our lives.

Leader: God calls us to plant gardens, build homes, and seek the welfare of the cities where we live, knowing that in their well-being, we will find peace.

People: In our everyday work, in our homes, and among our neighbors, we seek the righteousness of God's kingdom.

Leader: Come, let us worship the One who leads us into justice, who guides us in love, and calls us to pursue peace for all.

All: We come to worship our God, seeking righteousness in our lives, our relationships, and our communities. Amen.

***Opening Hymn** *Let Justice Flow like Streams* #588 (NCH - Black)

***Prayer of Invocation** (unison) Brandyn Miller

God of justice and mercy, We come before You today, desiring to live as Your people in a world that needs Your righteousness. As we gather in worship, fill us with Your Spirit, guiding us to seek justice and love in our relationships, our work, and our communities. Open our hearts to Your Word, that we may hear Your call to do good, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with You.

Help us to live out Your will in all that we do, building peace and seeking the well-being of those around us. May Your presence shape us into faithful servants of Your kingdom. We ask this in Your holy name. Amen.

Choral Anthem *O Grant Us, God, A Little Space* Chancel Choir

Mini-Message Brandyn Miller

Invitation to Offertory Craig Driver

** Please bring your canned goods forward.

Offertory Hymn Improvisation Hudson Lourenço-Feld

***Doxology** #515 (Pilgrim - Red)

***Prayer of Dedication** Craig Driver

Scripture Reading Amos 5:10-15 Craig Driver
Leader: This is the word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God!

Message “*Seeking God in Work*” Brandyn Miller

***Hymn of Response** *We Plow the Fields and Scatter* #460 (Pilgrim - Red)

Joys & Concerns Craig Driver
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** *For the Healing of the Nations* #576 (NCH - Black)

***Benediction** Brandyn Miller

Postlude *Preambulam in F* - Vicent Lübeck Hudson Lourenço-Feld

* Please Rise in Body or Spirit

*Sunday School for students up to 6th grade is provided after the Mini-Message.
We welcome your child(ren) to follow our Sunday School leaders to the
youth director's office at the conclusion of the Mini-Message.*