



First Congregational

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost



October 27, 2024

Worship Leader

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Mini Message

Brandyn Miller

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Michelle Wolfe

Custodian

Kyle Lindaman

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

Prelude	<i>Be Thou My Vision</i> - Melody Sober	Diane Highnam
Welcome and Announcements		Kay Leary
*Call to Worship		Kay Leary
Leader:	We gather to worship the God of justice, mercy, and peace, who calls us to live in harmony with one another and to seek the well-being of all.	
People:	God has shown us what is good: to act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God.	
Leader:	We are called to cultivate God-given order, to create space for all people to flourish, and to seek peace in our communities.	
People:	In our lives, in our relationships, and in our world, we seek to reflect God's justice and righteousness.	
Leader:	Come, let us worship the One who orders our steps and leads us in the way of truth and grace.	
All:	We worship You, O God, and seek to build Your kingdom where justice, mercy, and peace abound. Amen.	
*Opening Hymn	<i>O for a World</i>	#575 (NCH - Black)
*Prayer of Invocation (unison)		Brandyn Miller
	Gracious and Sovereign God, we come before You, recognizing that all authority and order come from You. As we gather in worship, we ask that Your Spirit would guide us into a deeper understanding of what it means to cultivate justice and peace in our world.	
	Help us to walk humbly with You, acting justly and loving mercy in all we do. May this time of worship renew our commitment to be Your servants, working for the flourishing of all people. Bless our hearts, open our minds, and draw us closer to Your will. In Your holy name, we pray. Amen.	
Choral Anthem	<i>The Majesty & Glory of Your Name</i>	Chancel Choir
Mini-Message		Brandyn Miller
Invitation to Offertory		Kay Leary
Offertory	<i>The Family Prayer Song</i> - Morris Chapman	Diane Highnam
*Doxology		#515 (Pilgrim - Red)
*Prayer of Dedication		Kay Leary

Scripture Reading	Romans 13:1-7	Kay Leary
Leader: This is the word of the Lord		
All: Thanks be to God!		
Message	<i>“Cultivated Order”</i>	Brandyn Miller
*Hymn of Response	<i>God the Omnipotent!</i>	#577 (NCH - Black)
Joys & Concerns		Kay Leary
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	<i>Christ is Made the Sure Foundation</i>	#400 (NCH - Black)
*Benediction		Brandyn Miller
Postlude	<i>Zadok the Priest</i> - George Frideric Handel	Craig Mahood

* 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.*