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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

Live Sundays 9:30am
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CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE

Stream Sundays
YouTube 9:30am
Facebook

MINISTER'S NOTES....

Sunday in Traditional worship, if you were listening closely, you heard me give a shout out “to the church that meets at Christi’s house.” I saw the puzzled looks on the faces of many of you in the sanctuary, “What do you mean the church the meets...?”

With COVID-19 hanging around, all bets are off. The way we have always done things is only partially relevant. Our staff realized that while being with our church family is important, so is being safe. We envisioned households who may not feel comfortable coming to worship in-person, but who may wish to get together in their homes to worship online—smaller numbers (less risk), while still having some sense of “Church family” while they worship.

Well, unbeknownst to me, that very thing has been happening. This group (I am leaving out their names because I have not asked permission) of 4 women has been gathering in one home around a TV screen for the past few months for worship each Sunday. “Sunday School” for them is their continued discussion of the message.

I lift them up as a means of encouraging others of you who are not quite comfortable with returning to campus for worship. Perhaps you, too, would like to join with a few others to worship. Just a thought!

We are still a church family! We are still connected through the Holy Spirit and through our common beliefs as the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Want to bolster that connection? Consider gathering with some others to worship... together.

Your Friend and Pastor,
Chris Pulliam



TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Prelude	“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” Tricia Anderson, organist	C. Glaser
Welcome		Dr. Chris Pulliam
*Passing of the Peace		
*Opening Hymn	“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”	
*Invocation and Lord’s Prayer		Richard Perryman
*Gloria Patri		
Giving Moment		
Scripture Reading	Mark :1-11	Larry Gilliam
Time of Prayer		
Special Music	“Since Jesus Came into My Heart”	Trica Anderson Jean Worden
Sermon	DECREASE	Dr. Pulliam
Communion Hymn	“Take Our Bread”	
Celebration of the Lord’s Supper		Dr. Pulliam Richard Perryman
Spoken Affirmation	“We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God, and accept Him as Lord and Savior.”	
Invitation		
*Invitation Hymn	“Open My Eyes”	
If you would like to commit your life to Jesus Christ, or if you are a Christian and would like to become a member by transfer of membership, you may come forward as we sing or speak to one of our pastors following the service.		
*Benediction		Dr. Pulliam
*Benediction Song	“Blest Be the Tie”	
*Postlude	“Postlude on Old Hundredth” Tricia Anderson, organist	F. Bock



The flowers in the sanctuary are given by the Forum Class in memory of Ann Russell on her birthday, Aug 7.



CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

MESSAGE

The Songs We Sing - Music as Modern-Day Psalms, Part 2

SCRIPTURES

Psalm 46:10

MESSENGER

Lisa Pulliam

MUSIC

Mike Hazeltine, Chris Pulliam

HELPERS

Kyle Graham, Marilyn Lacy

DID YOU KNOW...

For the third time in the last 5 years, FCC has been approached by a private school in need of space to begin their school year. Revolution Academy began two years ago as a group of home-school families. Last year, they moved to the Unitarian Universalist Church on Old Omen Road. This year, they have acquired the former CBI campus. During the renovation of their new facilities, they will lease a portion of our Christian Life Center for the next 2-3 months.

During this time when many campus activities have been postponed or cancelled, we are thankful to act as both blessing and the blessed to host Revolution Academy.

WORSHIPING CARING SERV

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SUMMARY

After 50+ years of wonderful ministry, our Mother's Day Out Ministry has felt the full impact of COVID-19. We had hoped to run MDO thru May of 2021, then begin the transition to a new full day program, but with very few children attending, we are not able to sustain this ministry any longer.

The Board decided to close MDO at the end of their Summer Session (Thursday, Aug 13).

Separately, our Board (July 28), then Congregation (August 2) approved the request for \$57,710 as seed money for our new FCC full day Preschool and after care (we don't have a name for this new ministry yet). Amy Anderson will be our new Director. She is working with Dr. Pulliam and an Ad Hoc Committee to form a plan and proposal to the Board later this fall. Our hopeful plans are to begin this new Preschool in January, 2021, but all this is dependent on when the "fog" of COVID-19 lifts.

The Board approved the following people to serve on our Children's Week-day Ministry Ad Hoc Committee: Marilyn Covey, Anne DeWitt, Megan Jones, Kaye Kraus, Cynthia Nance, Laura Rackley, and Susan Soward.

DRIVE BY APPRECIATION FOR MDO STAFF

We are all saddened by the situation that has caused our MDO to close after all these years. However, after 50+ years, there is so much to celebrate. Join your church family and families from our community in thanking Carolyn Wallace for her 45 years as MDO Director, Susy Mendolia for her 40+ years as Assistant Director, and their dedicated teachers for all they have done, by "driving by" on Thursday, August 13 @ 2:30 p.m. under the covered main entry.

Sometime in the future, we will honor Carolyn in worship and have a reception for her, but unfortunately, that time is not now. Thus, the "drive by!"



IVING GROWING TOGETHER

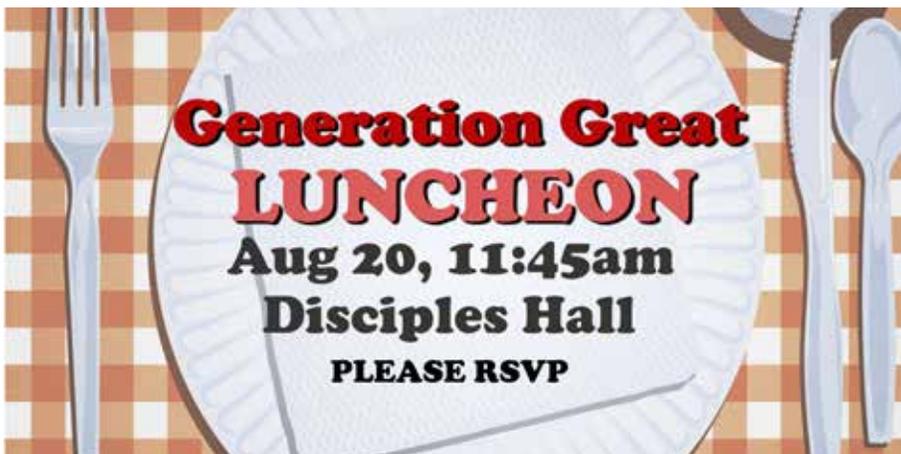


JOIN US FOR...

NEW SERMON SERIES IN CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP: This month in Contemporary Worship, our series of messages will be “The Songs We Sing” based on the Psalms. Growing out of our “Faith and Film” Series from years past, our preaching will connect the Psalms with modern day music and connect some of our favorite music from today with ancient words of wisdom. Check it out on YouTube or Facebook.



GENERATION GREAT LUNCHEON, AUG 20: Ages 55+, join us for lunch in Disciples Hall at 11:45am. Our presenter is from the New London Disaster Museum, and will be speaking about the 1937 New London, Texas, school explosion. Please note that the lunch price is now \$6 (please bring exact change). Due to COVID restrictions, we are only able to accommodate up to 60 people, so please **RSVP by Monday, Aug 17**, to the church office. We ask that you wear a mask and stick to “air” hugs and handshakes until restrictions are lifted.



THIS WEEK, HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Carole Smith, Ginger Brandt, Henry Burch, Janet Simonds, Janet Stephenson, Jim Jacks, Kathy Tinsley, Lisa Gardner, and Stella Flowers

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO...

Larry & Brenda Gilliam and David & Libby Lowry,

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Amanda & Jess Roberts on the adoption of their son **Ren Jackson Roberts** on July 30. Proud grandfather is **Jeff Roberts**.

KEEP IN PRAYERS FOR OUR MEMBERS...

Martha Baldwin, Philip Chacko, Jennifer Diotallevi, Liesel Ferris, Mike Flowers, James Hardage, Linda Hart, Bill Hughes, and Michael Lewis

AND OUR FRIENDS & FAMILY...

family of Sandra Bunch, Phil Heath, (Heath), Keri McKinney (G. Pierce), and Paul & Nancy Rozell (Rozell)

OUR SYMPATHIES TO THE FAMILY & FRIENDS OF....

Brian McMullin. Brian passed away July 31. Our thoughts and prayers are with Pam McMullin.

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SPREAD SOME JOY

We are planning to put together a Mother’s Day Out Memory Book! More details are coming next week, but for now, start digging up pictures and stories to share in appreciation for the years dedicated and generations served by our beloved MDO Director Carolyn Wallace and staff.