

# Welcome to Worship

PRELUDE....."Original Composition"  
Linda Missad (she/her)

## WELCOME AND SHARING OF ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: People of God, where do we find wholeness and meaning?

**All: Our help comes from the Creator of heaven and earth.**

Pastor: We trust in God who will not forsake us.

**All: We are born of the Spirit, born from above.**

Pastor: Our lives are a gift from God, who loves us.

**All: By the grace of God, we are born anew each day.**

OPENING SONG....."Renew Your Church"  
Hymn #311 (black)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT.....Ruth Lee (she/her)

### PASSING THE PEACE

### UNISON PRAYER

Let the winds of the Spirit blow in our midst today, loving God. Let us hear the sound and feel the power. Open our hearts in new ways to the promise of your healing grace so we may be a blessing to one another and to your world. We seek reassurance that you will be with us in our going and our coming in. We thank you for leading our ancestors in faith, leading us today, and leading us into the future. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING.....Matthew 6:19-21, 25-34  
Sue Dykstra (she/her)

SERMON....."Seek First"  
Pastor Dan Furman (he/him)

### UCC STATEMENT OF FAITH

PRAYER SONG....."Seek Ye First"  
Hymn #713 (red)

PASTORAL PRAYER.....The Lord's Prayer  
(words on screen)

OFFERTORY....."Original Composition"  
Linda Missad (she/her)

### DOXOLOGY

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

### CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

CLOSING SONG....."They Did Not Build in Vain"  
Hymn #373 (black)

### BENEDICTION

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THANK YOU

Our musician this morning is Linda Missad (she/her). Thank you for sharing your music ministry with us!

### COMMUNION

We will be celebrating communion this morning. You do not need to be a member of the church to participate. All are welcome to the table.

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Today is our church anniversary! We celebrate as the first church in Hudsonville, founded in 1877. This is our 149<sup>th</sup> year as a church! We will recognize our long-time members today. Join us for a celebration after worship in the Fellowship Hall.

### HAND2HAND

The monthly needs for Hand2Hand are: small jars of peanut butter, SpaghettiOs, small cans of chicken, Ritz crackers in sleeves, fruit cups, rice mixes, microwave popcorn, and ramen noodles. Thank you!

### FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Our next Feeding America food distribution is Thursday, March 4, 5p-7p. Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall if you are able to join us to help feed our neighbors.

### SPRING FORWARD

Remember to turn your clocks forward one hour this Saturday before you go to bed for daylight saving time. Spring forward!



## PRAYERS

Remember our elderly and home bound, anyone facing illness this morning, the families of Palestine, and all those who are grieving the loss of loved ones.

Mike Dykstra, Paul Lidgard, Tali Merchant, Al Wooton,

Ken Haynes, Barb Price, Jim Eastman, Ruth Broderick,

Kendra Simon, Roger Wright, Carol Sovereign, and Muskegon UCC.

## Land Acknowledgement

We, the members of Hudsonville Congregational United Church of Christ, acknowledge that our church resides on the ancestral lands of the Anishinaabek, the People of the Three Fires: Odawa, Bodewadomi, and Ojibwe for which they were not duly compensated. We honor their historic and current sacred commitment to the land of our Creator.

## Open & Affirming Statement

Hudsonville Congregational United Church of Christ is an Open and Affirming church. We celebrate our human family's diversity of race, age, cultural background, physical and mental ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, family structure, education, faith history, economic status, marital status, spiritual journey, and life circumstances. Aided by this God-given gift of diversity, we strive to reflect God's unconditional love to all creation, and we affirm that all people are created in God's image. We welcome the full inclusion of all people in the life and ministries of Hudsonville Congregational United Church of Christ. We believe that God is still speaking and as Jesus prayed, one day we will all be one.

We recognize that the universal church has at times rejected difference and denied God's promises for itself and others. We believe we can love alike, even though we may not think alike. So, we boldly proclaim, "Welcome, ALL who seek God's life-giving grace. Come as you are, so together, we will make a world of difference.



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# Hudsonville

## United Church of Christ

*Open & Affirming*

**March 1, 2026**

**Rev. Dr. Daniel Furman, Senior Pastor (he, him)**

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