

Welcome to Worship

PRELUDE....."Prelude on St. Christopher"
Southbridge

WELCOME AND SHARING OF ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: God summons us to wake up and see.

All: Light has come to lead us to all that is good.

Pastor: Our eyes have been opened to God's goodness.

All: We seek to live as children of light.

Pastor: God sees beyond our outward appearance.

All: We rejoice that God knows the intent of our hearts.

OPENING SONG....."Sing Praise to God, Our Highest Good"
Hymn #6 v1,2,5, and 6 (black)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT.....Pastor Dan Furman (he/him)

PASSING THE PEACE

UNISON PRAYER

Holy God, we thank you for your involvement in our lives. From the very beginning you have shown us the way of righteous living. We thank you for creating us in your image and calling us good. Remind us that we are one human family, siblings though strangers, united by You. In your name, we act, we speak, and we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING.....Genesis 1:26-30
Tom Vrugink (he/him)

SERMON....."Dominion"
Erin Mieskowski (she/they)

PRAYER SONG....."I Sing the Mighty Power of God"
Hymn # 12 (black)

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

OFFERTORY....."Surely He Hath Borne Our Grievs"
L. Smith

DOXOLOGY

OFFERTORY PRAYER

CLOSING SONG....."Thank Our God for Sisters, Brothers"
Hymn #397 (black)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE....."All Glory, Laud and Honor"
Southbridge, tune Teschner

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THANK YOU

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

GUEST SPEAKER

This morning we welcome Erin Mieskowski (she/they) to our pulpit. Our church recently approved Erin for Member in Discernment status as they discern God's call for them to ministry.

PALM SUNDAY

You are invited to participate in the Michigan Palm Sunday Path. This is a one mile march from Pilgrim UCC in Lansing to the Michigan State Capitol at 3pm on Palm Sunday, March 29. This event is to advocate, as Christians, the lessons from Matthew 25: to feed the hungry, heal the sick, and welcome the newcomer. There is a sign-up in the Fellowship Hall. Nine other states are holding similar Christian gatherings. See Pastor Dan to learn more.

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!

EASTER FLOWERS

It's time to order Easter flowers! This year there are tulip, hyacinth, daffodil, mum, or lily plants available. Each plant is \$20. These can be purchased in honor or memory of a loved one. All flowers must be ordered by March 29.



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, 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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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!***