



Community United Church of Christ
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An Open and Affirming Congregation • A Peace with Justice Church
January 23rd, 2022 11:00 a.m.
The Third Sunday After Epiphany

PRELUDE *Someone to watch over me* by George and Ira Gershwin,
Performed by Matthew Sebald

WELCOME and GATHERING WORDS Becky Swanstrom,
Worship Leader

MEDITATION *The Old rugged cross* NCH #195

CALL TO WORSHIP *Written by the NHCUCU Annual Meeting
Planning Committee*

One: The souls of our elders are churning with dreams
All: We stop and listen!
One: The eyes of our young are seeing visions like never before!
All: We stop and listen!
One: Fear and trembling invade our souls as we cling to the
monuments of the past.
All: We stop and listen!
One: Yet, the Spirit still pours, moves, and works among us.
All: We stop and listen!
One: May we dream with our elders and see the visions of our young.
All: Spirit of the living God fall fresh on us!

OPENING SONG *Spirit of the Living God*, NCH #283

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION *From liturgy written by Hope
Johnson*

God, remind us we are one, a diverse group of proudly kindred
spirits, here not by coincidence but because we choose to journey
together. We are active and proactive. We care deeply. We live our
love as best we can. God, remind us, we are one. We are one,
working, eating, laughing, playing, singing, storytelling, sharing, and

rejoicing, getting to know each other, taking risks, opening up,
questioning, seeking, searching, trying to understand, struggling,
making mistakes, paying attention, asking questions, listening, living
our answers, learning to love our neighbors, learning to love
ourselves, apologizing and forgiving with humility, and being forgiven
through grace, creating the beloved community together. God,
remind us we are one and be with us! Amen.

SHARING THE CREATIVE SPIRIT Performed by Karen Ramirez

READINGS 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a, Luke 4:14-21 and Excerpts from
A Place Called Community by Parker Palmer

SERMON God Arranged the Members Rev. Nicole

COMMUNAL SILENCE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Jackie

WORLD PEACE PRAYER *Adapted from the Upanishads*
Oh God, lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth. Lead us
from despair to hope, from fear to trust. Lead us from hate to love,
from war to peace. Let peace fill our hearts, our world, our universe.
Peace, peace, peace. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *O del mio amato ben* by Stefano Donaudy

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE
We give you but your own, what – e'er the gift may
be; All that we have is yours alone, we give it
gratefully.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Loving God, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Your
kin-dom come, your 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 kin-dom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG *God Be With You*, NCH #809