

The Homer Congregational Church United Church of Christ

February 10, 2019

5th Sunday after Epiphany

10:30 a.m. Worship



*Gathered on the Green in 1801 -
Still Gathered and Doing God's Mission*

Homer Congregational United Church of Christ

Serving us in ministry today:

Evan Faulkenbury ~ Deacon of the Month

Paula & Gary Harrington and
Russ & Terry Pederson ~ ushers/greeters

Tracy & Mark Bertram ~ nursery

TODAY

Noon Faith Formation Meets

Attendance February 3: 82

Service of Worship

For Quiet Meditation

How could I ever tell myself

I am anything less than beautiful?

How could I ever tell myself I am less than whole?

How could I fail to notice that my loving is a miracle?

How deeply God's connected to my soul.

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~ lyrics by Brianna (Bry) Meyka

based on the song

How Could Anyone Ever Tell You by Libby Roderick

WE GATHER

**those who are able, please stand*

Welcome

Prelude

Chimes

following the prelude, we allow some silence

Call to Worship

One: Jesus calls us...

**All: to praise and prayer, to song and silence;
Jesus calls us to worship.**

One: Jesus calls us...

**All: to hearing and healing, to service and solidarity;
Jesus calls us to love.**

One: Jesus calls us...

**All: to advocacy and action, to protest and provision;
Jesus calls us to justice.**

One: Let us heed the call of Christ.

All: and invite others to join in our work.

Invocation

**You call us, wanderer of seashores and sidewalks,
inviting us to sail out of our smug harbors
into the uncharted waters of faith,
to wander off our predictable paths to follow you
into the unpredictable footsteps of the kingdom;
to leave the comfort of our homes and accompany
you into places we usually avoid.**

**As we wait, in our simple,
sometimes crazy, constantly uncertain lives,
speak to us, Spirit of Grace:
of that hope which is our anchor;
of that peace which is our rock;
of that grace which is our refuge. Amen.**

GOD'S WORD BOTH ANCIENT AND NEW

Children's Moment

Anthem

Rain Down

**Rain down, rain down
Rain down your love on your people
Rain down, rain down,
Rain down your love, God of life.**

Scripture

Luke 5:1-11

Sermon

Ah-HA!

OUR RESPONSE

Silence is kept

*Hymn Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore #342

Prayers of the People
Lord's Prayer (debt/debtors)

Offering
Invitation to Give
Offertory
*Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

*Prayer of Dedication
**Seeker of disciples, you call us to participate in your
vision of justice for our world,
Let these offerings become our response:
all your people fed,
all your people safe,
all your people housed,
all your people educated. Amen.**

BLESSING

Announcements

*Hymn Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore #342

*Benediction

*Postlude

THIS WEEK:

Monday

- 9:30 Staff Meeting
- 4:45 Disciple I
- 5:00 Disciple II

Tuesday

- 2:00 Senior Fellowship
We learned about bells, now Jan Jeffers will help us to *experience* them!
- 5:00 Centering Prayer in the Upper Room
- 6:30 Deacons

Wednesday

- 5:00 What Mystics Know at 3 Lil' Birds
- 7:00 Choir

COMING UP:

Sunday, Feb. 17

- 9:30 Children's & Adult Faith Formation
Brené Brown's book:
The Gifts of Imperfection

10:30 Worship

Noon Mission Lunch: NY Helps Honduras

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Tuesday, March 5 at 5:30

Shrove Tuesday Mardi Gras Spud Fest

Sometimes called “Fat Tuesday”, this day-before-Ash-Wednesday is a day of celebration. As we gather, supper will be a baked potato bar, salad and beverages. Bring the kids and the grandparents and the neighbors as we play some games, get Mardi Gras beads and prepare for the season of Lent.

Wednesday, March 6 at 7:00

Ash Wednesday Service

Together we Jesus, we begin our journey through Lent. During the service, we will consider the ways that we can delve deeper into our spiritual lives. You will have the chance to offer God your hopes for transformation. Last year’s palms become this year’s ashes.

+ Communion at the Manse +

Join Pastor Vicki & Belinda every **Wednesday morning at 7 a.m.** for early communion. There will be light breakfast followed by a liturgy for communion. We begin on **March 13** at 7 a.m. Each Wednesday, we will finish by 7:30 giving you plenty of time to get to work. While many people give things up, this Lent you are invited to **ADD** communion.

Welcome friends!

Your presence brings us joy! While you are here, we hope you find an atmosphere that encourages your return. If you would like more information about our church, just ask one of our greeters. And after the service, if you are able, please join us for refreshments in the room behind the sanctuary that we call the Russell Fellowship Room.

We celebrate children of all ages. After the Children's Time, pre-school children may head to our nursery, where we provide trained caregivers. Children's bulletins and/or a "busy bag" are available for the older siblings.

Individual listening headsets are available to provide hearing assistance to anyone in need. Ask our greeters for help.

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