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UNION UNIVERSITY CHURCH ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 19, 2024

Teach me, Lord, how to be still. Like a Good Shepherd, lead me beside still waters. Quiet my soul. Bring order and calm to the chaos in my mind, so that I can spend time in quiet and joyful meditation with You.



WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CELEBRATIONS

PRELUDE

Fantasie on “Come, Holy Spirit”

J. S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Valley of dry bones,

All: skeletons of what should have been—

Leader: We dream of your tendons sewn together,

All: of smooth swaths of flesh

Leader: covering the bodies that should have gone on living.

All: We dream of lungs full of air,

Leader: of hearts pumping vitality to every limb.

All: Oh, valley of dry bones!

Leader: Oh, lives they should have lived!

All: Haunt us!

Leader: Follow us around!

All: Lure us to better ways of being.

Leader: Beckon us to Co-create the World to Come—

All: Until every single person lives in safety. Until every single child sleeps peacefully in their bed.

***HYMN #6**

Let's Walk Together

GIFT OF MUSIC

“Birdsong by the Wailin’ Jennys” *Erin Law & Amie Acton*

SHARING OF PRAYER CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

SILENT PRAYER – LORD’S PRAYER *(debts-debtors)*

Sung, see #675 in hymnal

GIFT OF MUSIC

“We Are One in the Spirit” *Bev Snyder & Ensemble*

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

You are invited to place your offering in support of the ministry and mission of UUC in the designated offering plate as you enter or leave the Sanctuary. Online donations can be made using Tithe.ly See the UUC webpage for details.

OFFERTORY

“This Is My Father’s World” *F. L. Sheppard, arr. Smith & Hustad*

***DOXOLOGY #71A & BLESSING**

Praise God, the source of life and birth.

Praise God, the Word who came to earth.

Praise God the Spirit, holy Flame.

All glory, honor to God’s name.

***HYMN #39**

As We Rise, O God, to Meet You

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ezekiel 37:1-14

MEDITATION

“Meditation in E Minor” *by Cesar Franck*

SERMON

Are We a Church on the Way? *Rev. Dr. Roberto Ché Espinoza*

***CLOSING HYMN #297**

You Are Salt for the Earth

***BENEDICTION**

***UNISON BENEDICTION RESPONSE #805** *(sung)*

Peace, salaam, shalom; Peace, salaam, shalom;

Peace, salaam, shalom; Peace, salaam, shalom

POSTLUDE

“He Leadeth Me”

Serving Today

Lay Leader Heather Meacham
Flowers Bill Sortore
Greeter(s) Dave & Jan Porter
Coffee Hour Perkins Family
Organ Laurel Buckwalter
Piano Peter O'Connor
Usher John Meacham
Zoom Hosts Apriel Biggs, John Buckwalter, Jim Ninos

Looking Ahead

May 26

Lay Leader Amie Acton
Flowers Linell Soule
Greeter(s) Heather & John Meacham
Coffee Hour Dave & Jan Porter
Organ Laurel Buckwalter
Piano Peter O'Connor
Usher John Meacham
Zoom Hosts Apriel Biggs, John Buckwalter, Jim Ninos

PRAYER CONCERNS

Ding Jiayi & Family, Chang Weiping & Family, Clayton Stutzman, Hugh Langelier, Wes Bentz, 5 yr. old Lowin, Bev Potter, Michelle Garcia Escobar, Corrie Burdick, Vangelia Perryman, Mary Evangelista, Esther Epps, Jin Wilson, Kenneth Williams, Bob & Deb Lewis, Bird, Leo, Steve Crandall, Bob Condrate



Mission of the Month **Hart Comfort House**

The Comfort House of Allegany County, also known as Hart Comfort House, located in Wellsville NY, is a not-for-profit corporation providing free hospice care for people in their last 3 months of life, and support for those peoples' families.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UUC Youth Service Project: Youth are collecting personal and paper supplies for local food pantries. These are items needed by all but not readily available or accessible to all. If you would like to support the youth, **please bring the following items to church** and leave them on the food

pantry table in the back (or make a donation in the bin that will be on the food pantry table each week). Next Sunday's focus is liquid dish soap.

Guest Preacher on June 2: While Pastor Roberto is walking the Camino, we will welcome Jennifer Harris Dault to the pulpit.

Voices Together: On June 9, we will have a hymn sing to explore our new hymnal Voices Together. You will have the opportunity to choose a favorite hymn or a new song that looks interesting.

Save the Date! Church Breakfast, Youth Breakfast, and Senior Recognition Sunday is **June 23**. Breakfast begins at 9:15 am.

MAY LEADERS

Deacon Regina Burke
Elder Heather Meacham
Fellowship Cindy Tucker
Trustee Michele Hluchy
BOCE TBD



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We honor the image of God in all persons and seek to recognize the distinct and unique ways we each come to be human through relations with others.

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The Rev. Dr. Roberto Ché Espinoza

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Let's Walk Together

WELCOME 8.6.8.6.7.7 with refrain

E A/E B A

1 Let's walk to-gether for a while, and ask where
2 Let's talk to-gether of a time when we will
3 Let's dream to-gether of the day when earth and

B C#m E A/E

we be-gin to build a world where love can grow,
share a feast, where pride and pow-er kneel to serve
heav'n are one, a cit-y built of love and light,

B A B E D

and hope can en-ter in, to be the hands of
the lone-ly and the least, and joy will set the
the new Je-ru-sa-lem, where mourn-ing turns to

C#m F# B sus B

heal-ing, and to plant the seed of peace,
ta-ble as we join our hands to pray,
danc-ing, ev-'ry crea-ture lifts its voice,





Refrain

B/D# E A B

sing-ing wel - come, wel-come to this place. You're in -

B E A/C# B

vit - ed to come and know God's grace. All are

Bm9 E7 Amaj7 A B F#/A# F#

wel - come, the love of God to share, 'cause

F#m7 A B C#m C#m7

all of us are wel - come here;

F#m A E (☺) Last time

all are wel - come in this place.

(☺) Last time

39 As We Rise, O God, to Meet You

SPIRIT, FILL US 8.7.8.7 with refrain

D Am D Am7 I D Am7 D

1 As we rise, O God, to meet you,
 2 As we gath - er, God, to - geth - er,
 3 As we lin - ger at your ta - ble,
 4 As we learn, O God, to love you,
 5 As we go, O God, to serve you,

II

C D Am7 Gadd9 G D Am7

as we o - pen wide our eyes, like the sun that
 as each tongue here learns to sing, like the birds that
 as we eat this com - mon bread, like the seed both
 as we lis - ten for your voice, like the dust from
 as we o - pen wide our hands, like the wind that

D C D Am7 D

fills the morn - ing, fill our bod - ies with your light.
 fill the for - ests, fill our bod - ies with your song.
 sown and scat - tered, fill our bod - ies with new life.
 which you made us, fill our bod - ies with your breath.
 moves the wa - ters, spread your peace to ev - 'ry land.

Refrain D2 Am7 Bbadd9 Cadd9

We are emp - ty, Spir - it, fill us. God, we o - pen up our

D Am D Am7 D2


lives.



297 You Are Salt for the Earth

BRING FORTH THE KINGDOM Irregular

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Leader



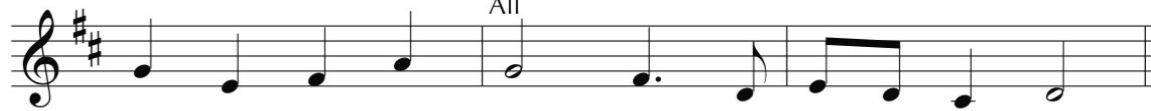
1 You are salt for the earth, O peo - ple,
 2 You are a light on the hill, O peo - ple,
 3 You are a seed of the Word, O peo - ple,
 4 We are a bless'd and a pil - grim peo - ple,

G **D/F#** () **A** **D** **G** **D/F#**
 All Leader




salt for the king-dom of God! Share the fla - vor of
 light for the ci - ty of God! Shine so ho - ly and
 bring forth the king-dom of God! Seeds of mer - cy and
 bound for the king-dom of God! Love our jour - ney and

() **A** **D** **G** **D/F#** () **A** **D**
 All




life, O peo - ple: life in the king-dom of God!
 bright, O peo - ple: shine for the king-dom of God!
 seeds of jus - tice, grow in the king-dom of God!
 love our home - land: love is the king-dom of God!

Refrain **G** **D/F#** () **A** **D** **G** **D/F#**




Bring forth the king-dom of mer - cy, bring forth the

() **A** **D** **G** **D/F#** () **A** **D**



king-dom of peace. Bring forth the king-dom of jus - tice,

G **D/F#** () **A** **D** **G** **D/F#** () **A** **D**



bring forth the cit - y of God!

