

Lord's Prayer

Our Father/Mother/Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy 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 kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offertory

"Joyful Proclamation"
(Kurt Mayer)

Bell Choir

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

God, Source of all that is, Lover of justice and source of equity—help us live boldly and truthfully as we seek to follow your ways. Embolden us to share with others the gift of grace that you have so abundantly given us. Receive and bless these gifts that we return to you now. In your Holy name we pray, Amen.

*Closing Hymn

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Hymnal #263

*Benediction

Leader: May you go forth this day full of the mystery of God. May you find awe in the vastness and power of Being. May you find love in the presence of another person. May you be blessed with your own smallness and strengthened in your own power. Go with the love of God, the peace of Christ, and the strength of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

*Sung Benediction

God be with you till we meet again;
By their counsels guide, uphold you;
With their sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

"Postlude in G"
(Mendelssohn)

Susan Hall

The flowers are from Sally Conklin in remembrance of her late husband, Roger. His birthday was on 10/16 and their anniversary on 10/21. He is deeply missed and he loved fall mums.

Credits

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This Week:

Today, October 22, 11:15am Worship Committee meeting Room 1

Wednesday, October 25, 4:00pm Kid's Club, Room 2

Thursday, October 26, 6:00 pm Progressive Christian Discussion, Fellowship Hall

Friday, October 27, 10:00 am, Virtual Progressive Christian Discussion - Zoom

Saturday, October 28, 8:00 am, Fall clean up of the grounds
2:00 pm, Mike Stori's Celebration of Life

Mission Statement of First Congregational United Church of Christ in Menomonie, WI

We are called together:

To celebrate God's presence.

To help each person to grow in his or her relationship with God;

To Create a welcoming and supportive community of all God's people;

The diversity of race, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender expression,
and identity, social and economic status, and the differently abled;

To observe and share life's passages and our faith traditions;

To reach out in love seeking justice and peace;

And to tell the old story of Jesus and His love.

Land Acknowledgement

Here we congregate on Ojibwe, *Dakota*, Menominee, *Potawatomi*, and Ho Chunk land. Where we now gather, generations gathered long before Europeans landed on these shores. The original inhabitants of this land, known to some Indigenous peoples as Turtle Island, took seriously the Creator's call to be stewards of air, land, water, and creature. We pray our thanks for their knowledge and wisdom; we exist in this place because of the lessons they continue to teach. Let us come before the Creating One and pray for guidance in learning how to make reparations with our Native neighbors.

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Isaac Watts, 1715; alt.

*Gesangbuch der Herzogl. Wirtembergischen
Katholischen Hofkapelle, 1784; alt. 1868*

1. I sing the might-y power of God That made the moun-tains rise;
2. I sing the good-ness of the Lord That filled the earth with food;
3. There's not a plant or flower be-low But makes Thy glo-ries known;

That spread the flow-ing seas a-broad And built the loft-y skies.
God formed the crea-tures with a word And then pro-nounced them good.
And clouds a-rise, and tem-pests blow, By or-der from Thy throne;

I sing the wis-dom that or-dained The sun to rule the day;
Lord, how Thy won-ders are dis-played, Wher-e'er I turn my eyes;
While all that bor-rows life from Thee Is ev-er in Thy care,

The moon shines full at God's com-mand, And all the stars o-bey.
If I sur-vey the ground I tread, Or gaze up-on the skies!
And ev-ery-where that we can be, Thou, God, art pres-ent there.

Alternate tune: FOREST GREEN, 292

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 263

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Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867; alt. 1987

Welsh folk melody
Adapted in *Caniadau y Cyssegr*, 1839

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3. To all, life Thou giv - est, to both great and small;
4. Thou reign - est in glo - ry, Thou rul - est in light,

In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
Nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, Thou rul - est in might;
In all life Thou liv - est, the true life of all;
Thine an - gels a - dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight;

Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
Thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Thy great name we praise.
Thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
Then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth Thee.
'Tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth Thee!