

Transitional Music

“Minuet in G major”

Oxana Khramova

“G. Handel”

Prayers of the People

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

“Ach, Was Soll Ich Sunder Machen”
(J. Pachelbel)

Oxana Khramova

***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)**

Gracious God, we offer our gifts of time, talent and treasure to support of one little corner of your church. May they enable some of the work of your kin-dom, embodied in this place and time. May they express our desire to be faithful for the little slice of the time we inhabit. Even though our part of your mission is temporary, we continue to commit ourselves—here and now—to doing our part. Amen.

***Closing Hymn**

“God, You Spin the Whirling Planets”

Hymnal #285

***Benediction**

Leader: The journey into the deep requires trust. Go forth, this morning, trusting that the God who knows you more fully than you know yourself holds the past, present, and future well in hand. Our lives are but a moment; our monuments and institutions a mere blink of the eye. But our God is eternal, and you are held in endless love.

All: Amen.

***Sung Benediction (unison, 3 times)**

Oh, Lord, hear my prayer/Oh Lord, hear my prayer/When I call, answer me
Oh, Lord, hear my prayer/Oh Lord, hear my prayer/Come, and listen to me.

Postlude

“St. Anthony Chorale”
(J. Haydn)

Oxana Khramova

Today’s flowers are in memory of Anne Frantz-Cook from the Frantz and Cook families.

Credits

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This Week:

Today, 9:00 am: Bridge Coffee Hour

Wednesday, March 20th, 4:00 pm Kid's Club; 6:30 pm Bells rehearsal; 7:30 pm Choir rehearsal

Thursday, March 21: "The Bell" articles due to the office, office@menmonieucc.org

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, affirming 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. Generations of Indigenous people occupied and provided careful stewardship of this land long before Europeans arrived on these shores. The traumatic dispossession of this land by European immigrants and the displacement of countless individuals produced collective suffering that has repercussions for our Indigenous neighbors today. 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 creatures. With gratitude, we acknowledge the lessons we continue to learn from our Indigenous neighbors as we seek to be good stewards and pray for guidance in learning how to make reparations.

Many and Great, O God, Are Thy Things 271


LACQUIPARLE 9.6.9.9.6

Dakota hymn
Joseph R. Renville, 1842
Trans. F. Philip Frazier, 1953 (Sioux)

Native American melody (Dakota)
Adapt. Joseph R. Renville, 1842
Harm. J. R. Murray, 1877



1. Man - y and great, O God, are Thy things, Mak - er of
2. Grant un - to us com - mu - nion with Thee, Thou star - a -




earth and sky; Thy hands have set the heav-ens with stars,
bid - ing One; Come un - to us and dwell with us:



Thy fin - gers spread the moun - tains and plains. Lo, at Thy
With Thee are found the gifts of life. Bless us with



word the wa - ters were formed; Deep seas o - bey Thy voice.
life that has no end, E - ter - nal life with Thee.

Optional hand drum or tom-tom: 

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285 God, You Spin the Whirling Planets

AUSTRIAN HYMN 8.7.8.7 D

Jane Parker Huber, 1978

Franz Joseph Haydn, 1797

1. God, You spin the whirl-ing plan-ets, Fill the seas and spread the plain,
 2. You have called us to be faith-ful In our life and min - is - try.
 3. God, Your word is still cre - at - ing, Call - ing us to life made new.

Mold the moun-tains, fash-ion blos-soms, Call forth sun-shine, wind, and rain.
 We re-pond in grate-ful wor-ship Joined in one com - mu - ni - ty.
 Now re-veal to us fresh vis - tas Where there's work to dare and do.

We, cre - at - ed in Your im - age, Would a true re - flec - tion be
 When we blur Your gra-cious im - age, Fo - cus us and make us whole.
 Keep us clear of all dis - tor - tion. Pol - ish us with lov - ing care.

Of Your jus - tice, grace, and mer-cy And the truth that makes us free.
 Healed and strength-ened as Your peo-ple, We move on - ward toward Your goal.
 Thus, new crea - tures in Your im - age, We'll pro - claim Christ ev - ery - where.