

**BE THE CHURCH! ...Live-Stream Sunday Worship -
October 18, 2020 ~ 10:00 AM**

Gathering Music

Song of Praise - "Come and Fill our Hearts" (lyrics below)

Gathering in Prayer and Meditation -

How was the week just passed?
Who is in need of our thoughts and prayers?
What's happening in the next week that we can help with?

Guided and Silent Meditation

The Lord's Prayer (using words most familiar to you!)

Greeting –

*So let's celebrate the church of Jesus Christ
where the wonderful wideness of God
breaks through common clay pots
and fills us with a holy spirit that overflows
and we see rainbows of many-splendored colors,
light in pitch darkness -
and every day is a festival of faith!*

- Ann Weems

Gathering Prayer...

When we gather for worship, we seek an encounter with God in this moment.
When we gather for worship, we seek God's presence on the journey that lies ahead.
When we gather for worship, we come in memory and hope of God's relationship.
Holy One, we want to be open to all you are revealing to us now!
Amen.

Celebrating in Song! "Take My Gifts" (lyrics below)

Welcome to Worship!

God chooses to be with us - and for us.
We open our hands to love.
God promises to be our companion on the way.
We open our hearts to love.
God wants to be in covenant with us.
We open our minds to love.

We gather in trust , and in hope.
We gather to journey together in love.

Scripture that Guides our Meditation...

Matthew 22:15-22 (NRSV)

Special Music

"Take My Life, Lord"

The Good News

"What's in Your Wallet?"

Meditative Music -

Oleksandra Yurchenko

Sending Us Forth...

Go boldly into the world.
Be the message
Seek out new ways to be God's holy ones.
Do the message.
Share God's good news.
Live the message.

"What in God's Name Are we Doing?"

Song of Witness "Shine, Jesus,, Shine" (lyrics below)

Music to send us onward...

We're Glad You're Joining Us!

Thank you!! If you are new or visiting our church for the first time, you can learn more about our church community by visiting our website at www.uccwebster.org. You will find information about our denomination and about monthly events and activities here at Webster UCC.

Texts for the coming week...

Deuteronomy 34:1-12
Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8
Matthew 22:34-46

COME AND FILL OUR HEARTS (SB 2157)

Come and fill our hearts with your peace,
You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace,
Alleluia! (*repeat*)

TAKE MY GIFTS (NCH 562)

Take my gifts and let me love you, God who first of all loved me,
gave me light and food and shelter, gave me life and set me free,
now because your love has touched me, I have love to give away,
now the bread of love is rising, loaves of love to multiply!

Take the fruit that I have gathered from the tree your Spirit sowed,
harvest of your own compassion, juice that makes the wine of God,
spiced with humor, laced with laughter - flavor of the Jesus life,
tang of risk and new adventure, taste and zest beyond belief.

Take whatever I can offer - gifts that I have yet to find,
skills that I am slow to sharpen, talents of the hand and mind,
things made beautiful for others in the place where I must be:
take my gifts and let me love you, God who first of all loved me.

SHINE, JESUS, SHINE (SB 2173)

Refrain:

*Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with your radiant glory,
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire;
flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy,
send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.*

Lord, the light of your love is shining
in the midst of the darkness shining;
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us,
set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me... shine on me.

Refrain:

Lord, I come to your awesome presence
from the shadows into your radiance;
by your love I may enter your brightness,
search me, tray me, consume all the darkness.
Shine on me... shine on me.

Refrain:

As we gaze on your brilliant brightness,
so our faces display your likeness;
ever changing from glory to glory,
mirrored here may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me... shine on me.

Refrain: