

# Still Small Voices

## June 20, 2010



Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

1 Kings 19

The Other Evangelical  
Evangelical United Church of Christ

Following the God  
made known in the life  
and teachings of Jesus...

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

### OPENING WORDS

One: Come burdened  
*Come savvy*  
Come aging  
*Come discouraged*  
Come wanting  
*Come full*  
Come longing  
*Come drifting*  
Come  
*Children of God, Come*

K. Hawker

### \*HYMN 1

"In Grandeur and Glory"

tune: St. Denio  
words: Gloria Klinger

**In grandeur and glory  
the flow'rs sing their songs  
In words inescapable,  
"all life belongs"  
For each has its purpose,  
its message so clear  
Live life to the fullest,  
there's nothing to fear.**

**Though clouds be innumerable  
reach for the sun  
In friendship and fellowship,  
laugh and have fun  
We're spiritual beings  
set sail on the tide  
In human experience,  
let God be our guide.**

**We honor the spirit  
that lives in us all  
We honor the oneness  
of life large and small  
Sing praises to life  
so abundant we see  
And share in the bounty  
of lake, field, and tree.**

### \*LITANY

One: Hear the good news of God's love:  
Many: **We come seeking God in mighty earthquakes.  
We come listening for God in resounding thunder.  
We come expecting God in sweeping victories.**

# Welcome!

## A word about diversity:

We strive to be a safe place for all people to worship regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background, sexual orientation or gender identity.

## A word about children:

We love children, babies, and teens and we welcome all ages to share worship with us. Professional childcare is available throughout the morning for those who prefer. Activity folders (available in the Narthex) allow children of all ages to respond creatively to worship. A playtime for preschool age children is offered after the Chancel Steps at the 11:00 a.m. service.

## A word about special needs:

We are committed to making our worship service as accessible as possible. We offer special hearing devices, accessible seating, and other services as requested. Please let us know how we can help make this worship experience more accessible.

Sources for words, images, and music are noted where available. Permission to reprint music and words from sources other than The New Century Hymnal is granted under OneLicense.net, license no. A-704973. Printed music is courtesy of Donita Bauer.

\*An asterisk next to a section means that we stand for this part of the service as we are able.

One: Yet God is found in a baby's touch.  
Yet God speaks in silence.  
Yet God is found in the least of these.

Many: **Save us, O God, from our aimless wandering.  
Save us, O God, from our idols.  
Save us, O God, from our self-induced chaos.**

One: Hear the good news of God's love for us  
not in the earthquake, not in the storms, not in the mighty deeds

Many: **Hear the good news of God's love for us  
in the silence, in the gentle touch, in the quiet rain.**

K. Hawker

\*RESPONSE

"Heleluyan"

Traditional

He-le - lu-yan, he-le-lu-yan; he-le, he-le - lu - yan;  
he-le - lu-yan, he-le-lu-yan; he-le, he-le - lu - yan.

\* May be sung as a round.

## SCRIPTURE

Luke 8:26-39

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

**CHANCEL STEPS**

*Children are invited to come to the Chancel Steps to share a story.  
Following the story, young children may choose to go to the nursery (both services)  
or to Shepherds (11:00am—a play time in the Red Room downstairs).*

**SPECIAL MUSIC** 8:30am  
11:00am

“Precious Lord”

Kathy Adair  
Treasure Williams

**SERMON**

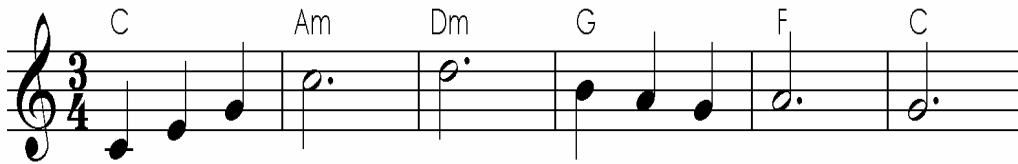
The Demon Thing

Katherine Hawker

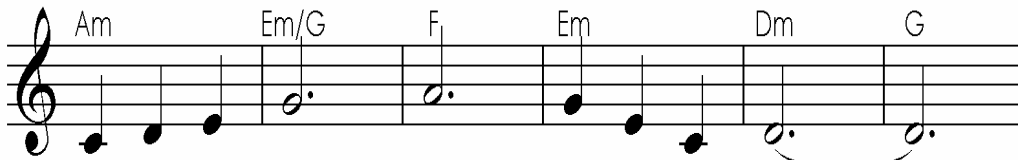
**\*HYMN**

“Song of Healing”

tune: Bunesan  
words: N. Habel



Heal-ing is flow - ing, deep in the wat - ers,  
Heal-ing is ris - ing, fresh with the morn - ing,



Flow-ing from Ed - en, flow-ing from old. \_\_\_\_\_  
Heal-ing is ris - ing, burst-ing with grace. \_\_\_\_\_



All through cre - a - tion, God sends forth wa -  
Christ, our rich heal - ing, deep in cre - a -



ters, O - ceans of heal - ing, for all the world.  
tion, Heal Earth's deep wounds and rise in this place.

**COMMISSIONING OF YOUTH AND LEADERS 8:30am**

Great Spirit,  
May we know you  
as you truly are  
in all of your wonder and mystery.  
May we be transformed  
by your vastness.  
Amen.

Out in Scripture, HRC

Mysterious God,  
Word beyond words.  
You hide in the ancient rocks  
and lie still in a red dust land.  
You play in the cosmos  
and dance with the stars.  
You are one with us  
to share our lives,  
in our joys, our sorrows.  
You step out before us  
to fulfil our dreams.  
Pilgrim God,  
we speak many languages,  
we share many cultures  
we sing many songs;  
Together we seek to be your  
church in this place,  
Companion on the way!

R. Hoskin

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Believing that each joy and/or concern expressed is indeed a prayer,  
After each expression, the worship leader will say: Lord in your Mercy.  
And the people may respond: Hear our prayer.*

**Eternal Spirit, Earth-Maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver  
Source of all that is and all that shall be,  
Father and Mother of us all,  
Loving God who is in heaven:**

**The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!  
The way of your justice be followed by people of the world!  
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!  
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our  
hope and come on earth.**

**With bread we need for today, feed us.  
In the hurts we absorb from one another forgive us.  
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.  
From trials too great to endure, spare us.  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.  
For you reign in the glory of the power  
that is love, now and forever. May it be so. Amen.**

New Zealand Prayer Book

## TABLE PRAYER AND PROCESSION TO THE TABLE 8:30AM

### INVITATION, REMEMBRANCE, BLESSING

Many: **Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

**Bless this bread and bless this fruit of the vine.**

**Bless all of us in our eating and drinking**

**that our eyes might be opened,**

**that we might recognize the risen Christ in our midst  
indeed, in one another. Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

*The Congregation is invited to come forward by the center aisle...  
partaking of the bread and cup, lighting a candle in prayer, and placing an  
offering in the plates beside the table.*

## CELEBRATION OF GIVING 11:00AM

*The congregation is invited to share support for the work of this community and our  
monthly Special Offering. As the ushers pass the offering plates, they will also collect  
the gray pads.*

### RESPONSE

"Eagles Wings"

source: Michael Joncas

Refrain



"And I will raise you up on ea - gle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the  
sun, and hold you in the palm of my hand."

## And a joy!

Stacey and Kevin Dixon  
have returned from Ethiopia  
with Baby Lia  
to join Big Brother Micah!!

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

source: UCC Book of Worship

One: What we have we bring:

Many: **Our good intentions, our unknown motives,**

One: Our uncertainties about life,  
our grasp of truth,

Many: **Our time,  
our uneasiness with what is.**

One: We offer this in the midst of what remains unspoken

Many: **And affirm that it is received.**

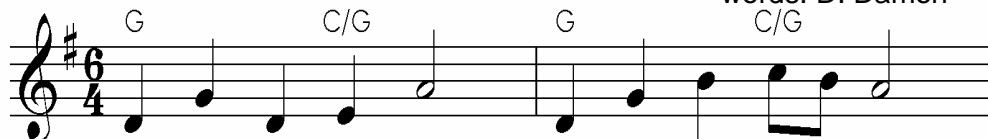
One: Amen

Many: **Amen**

**\*HYMN 398**

“Shadow and Substance”

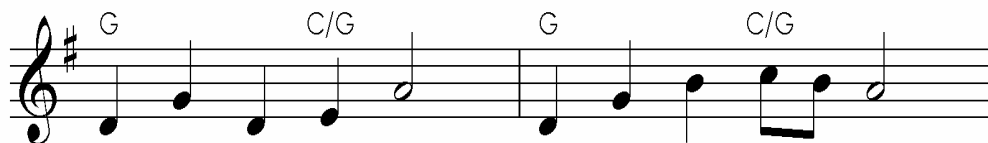
tune: Twilight  
words: D. Damon



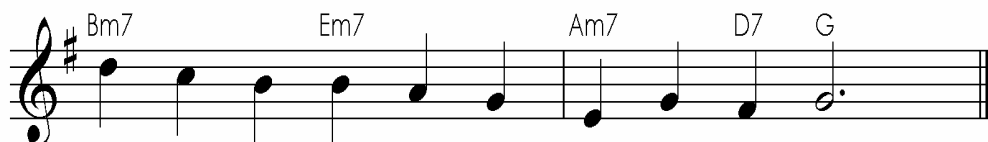
Shad-ow and sub-stance, won-der and mys-ter-y,  
We are your im-age, formed in com-mu-ni-ty;  
Nam-ing the name-less Spir-it of u-ni-ty,



spell-bind-ing spin-ner of at-oms and earth;  
sis-ters and broth-ers of Ad-am and Eve.  
scan-ning the heav-ens for signs of your care;



Soul of the cos-mos, per-son and en-er-gy,  
You gave us col-or, cus-tom and his-to-ry;  
God of the a-ges, give us hu-mil-i-ty;



source of our be-ing: we sing of your worth.  
teach us to hon-or what oth-ers re-ceive.  
guide us to mys-ti-cal un-ion in prayer.

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

*Bulletin recycling: Though we invite you to take your bulletin home to review the prayers and opportunities throughout the week, if you choose to leave your bulletin after the 8:30am service place it in the blue box and we will use it again!*

**Sharing our Gifts**

During our Procession to the Table (8:30am) and Celebration of Giving (11:00am), we are invited to consider our offerings. The easiest way to make a financial offering is to drop check or money, marked clearly for EUCC or for special offerings, in the basket during worship. You can also set up electronic giving, which saves paper—and you never need your checkbook. Please contact the church office for more information.

**June Special Offering**

Our mission moment for June is Strengthen the Church, one of the five UCC offerings in which we participate during the year. This offering supports funding new church starts and invigorating existing congregations; nurturing lay and pastoral leadership; building youth and young adult ministries; and supporting the God Is Still Speaking Ministry and its extravagant welcome for all within the United Church of Christ. All gifts are directed to activities and programs of our church's local conference as well as the UCC's national ministries. Please support the Strengthen the Church offering during the month of June. You may make a donation by writing Strengthen the Church on the memo line of a check or using one of the marked envelopes in the pews. Thank you!

**PEACE TRAIL 2010**  
August 2-6, 9am to noon



"Peace Trail" is our annual week of learning and play for elementary aged children\* (our alternative to Vacation Church School). Together we will explore the both

the ways in which we experience peace and the ways we contribute to peace.

**What do you do at Peace Trail?**

We gather each morning under the prayer flags on the front lawn for songs and stories and then share a morning of rotating centers: Yoga, Snack making, Arts, Science, Mosaic, and Games.

**Who can come?**

All children and their families are welcome. We are a diverse community, diverse in race, belief, and orientation. Although we are a community centered in the teachings of Jesus, our week of learning and play is intentionally inclusive of diverse religious experiences.

**How much does it cost?**

There is no charge for Peace Trail, but donations to EUCC are gratefully accepted. New friends are always welcome! Join us!!!

**Younger Children?** *Younger children are welcome to participate if their parents are either with them or volunteering.*

Registration forms are now located on the table in the Narthex!!! Watch your email for more details and information in the future.

**Mission Trip 2010...**

This morning we commission the youth and leaders from EUCC and First Federated Church of Peoria as together they head for a week of ministry in Nashville, Tennessee.

**Summer Sundays**  
*with*  
**The Other Evangelical**

**What's the same?**

Worship at 8:30am and 11:00am  
Coffee/Fellowship in between  
Childcare all morning with Miss Carole

**What's different?**

Family Fellowship instead of church school  
Special music instead of regular choir schedule  
Katy preaches more in the summer

**What's coming up?**

June 20: Coffee Hour—POTLUCK BRUNCH in celebration of the Youth's Mission Trip  
June 27: Pride Sunday—Are you marching?  
July 4: Celebrate the 4th with us!

**How can you help?**

Most important: Be here  
Very important: Greet a not-yet-friend!  
Important: Wear a name tag  
Helpful: Check sign up sheet to for volunteer opportunities  
Also helpful: Bring finger foods to share at coffee hour.



**NEW MEMBER CLASSES**

will be held Sundays, June 20th and July 18th at 9:45am in the Still Speaking Center. New members will be received in worship on July 25th (with a reception on Saturday evening, June 24th). All are welcome to participate. Contact Kathy Cormack (314.487.2759 or [k\\_cormac@charter.net](mailto:k_cormac@charter.net)) if you have further questions.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**  
**JULY 11TH AT 9:45AM**

Join us for our semi-annual meeting. We will elect leadership, hear updates from our Governing Body and Wellness Advisory Group, and learn about our Congregational Growth Initiative.



**CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

**Parking - during the week, please use the upper lot.** The lower lot is the staging area for the construction projects. The plan is both that lots will be available on Sunday mornings.

Meeting space for the next two months will be the Fireside Room and the meeting rooms in the Still Speaking Center (212 Building). Please be sure to contact Sue to get all meetings and groups on the church calendar.

The A/C has been off this week but they are scrambling to have the unit for the Sanctuary up and running for Sunday's worship. The staff will continue to juggle their time between their offices and home.

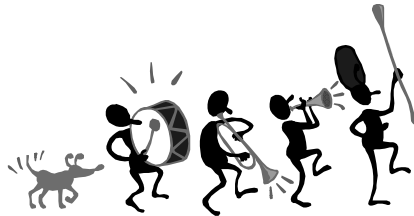
## Did you know the Webster Groves Community Days Parade cruises right pass The Other Evangelical??

Yes, it does!! Join us this year as we celebrate our community within the wider Webster Groves community on July 3rd. The parade begins at 10am.

Our Hot Dog Chefs will be serving up the dogs and the lemonade will be flowing.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket and join in the fun!

That's Saturday, July 3rd at 10am...



## Going to Pride St. Louis?

Join EUCC along with other UCC friends at the Gateway ONA booth during **Pride St. Louis, June 26-27** (Tower Grove Park). Together with other ONA churches (UCC) in our area, we'll welcome new friends at our booth, march in the parade and celebrate Pride! We need folks to sign up for 2 hour shifts at the booth. This is a great chance to build community AND share God's inclusive embrace with the wider metro community. Volunteer information is available on the table in the narthex or you can sign up by visiting Gateway ONA on Facebook.

ALSO...

**Save the Date...**

**Gateway ONA Picnic**

Saturday, August 7th 1pm

Bohrer Park

5705 S. Lindbergh Blvd 63123

Look for details in future bulletins and News and Notes!!!



## THIS WEEK AT EUCC

### Sunday, June 20

8:30am—Worship

9:45am—Coffee Fellowship

11:00am—Worship

### Monday, June 21

9:15am—Job Jar

12 Noon—Staff Meeting

### Tuesday, June 22

10:00am—Orchard House Bible Study

12:15pm—Al-Anon Meeting (Fireside Room)

7:00pm—Phase 1 Building

Committee Meeting (Still Speaking Ctr)

### Wednesday, June 23

### Thursday, June 24

6:30pm—St. Louis Equality Dancers (Fellowship Hall)

7:00pm—Sts. C & F Book Club (Fireside Rm)

### Friday, June 25

10:00am—LaLeche League (Still Speaking Center)

### Saturday, June 26

7:30—Yoga Class (Narthex)

### Sunday, June 27

5:15pm—Castlewood Support Group

## New Yoga Class beginning June 19th...

We will gather in the Narthex (or Still Speaking Center, depending on the A/C!) starting June 19th at 7:30am. The class is free and all adults are welcome...no matter your experience or ability. Please bring a Yoga Mat and small blanket. All other props are provided.

## Shepherd Room Relocated!!!

Our Shepherd Room (aka The Red Room) has relocated to the Still Speaking Center while the construction is taking place.

## Shepherd Ministry Opportunities...

Please sign up in the Narthex or contact Carolyn Held if you would like to be a part of this ministry. Carolyn is always happy to add addition names to the rotation.

## JOIN OUR JOB JAR GANG...

Job Jar Gang meets on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 9:15 am. If you interested, contact Bob Risk, or just grab a cup of coffee and stop by this Monday, June 21st to lend a hand.

## New Group Forming! Contemporary Christian Writings Group

**Friday, July 16th 6:30pm**

**Book:** God of Jesus: The Historical Jesus and the Search for the Meaning by Steve Patterson  
Leader: Wynn Miller

**Friday, August 20th 6:30pm**

**Book:** Eternal Life: A New Vision by John Shelby Spong  
Leader: Bob Karr

## Still Speaking Center...

is our nickname for the 212 Building. How will this building be used by our community and/or the wider community? God is still speaking, and we are doing our best to listen! Our Wellness Advisory Group, our Adult classes, our Youth, and our Governing Body have all been calling this space "home" during our construction. It has literally been our Still Speaking Center...

## Sunday Morning

Shared Ministry Opportunities — Signups are in the Narthex

Ministry		Today	Next Week
Liturgists	Read the Morning Scripture and Prayers	Lola Contestabile (11:00am)	OPEN
Shepherds	Help Carolyn play with our preschoolers	Brad and Alyssa Schnell	Laura and Steve Bardelmeier
Crib Room Assistants	Help Carole play with our babies (two shifts)	Sandy Bowe	Ray Mulligan
Ushers	Greet worshipers and (at 11:00am) collect offering	Teri Hillen Sarah Webster Linda Kolley Jan Ittner Wynn Miller Earl Brown	Bob and Bobbie Pahmeier Karen Acker Stacey Morris Bob and Gigi Hill
Coffee Hour	Provide finger foods and greet community between services	Julianne Smutz	OPEN
Money Counters	Count the weekly offerings and enter into database	Bob and Gigi Hill	

Pastoral Team  
Katherine Hawker,  
Marilyn Stavenger, Al Schon  
Pastoral Assistant, Sue Schindel

Music Team  
Donita Bauer,  
Jill Thompson, Darcy Swanson

Field Ed Student, Deborah McBride  
Sunday AM, Carolyn Held  
Nursery, Carole Janssen  
Campus Minister at Webster, Laurel Hayes

President, Laura Bardelmeier  
Secretariat, Paul Mack  
Financial, Ken Ulmer  
Facilities, Wynn Miller  
People, Debbie Gregg  
Community, Patty Pelikan, Janet Rundquist  
Servant, Lori Winter, Laura Evans  
Learning, Ruth Panhorst  
Worship, Lil Lau

Endeavoring to maintain the unity of the Holy Spirit in the bond of peace, we are open to and affirming of each child of God, recognizing that we are called to be as one reconciled Body with members of every race, gender identity, ethnic origin, sexual orientation, class, age and physical or mental health and ability.

Evangelical United Church of Christ  
204 E. Lockwood Webster Groves, MO 63119  
314-968-1727

inquisitive. inclusive. intentional. intimate. inspiring.  
**The Other Evangelical**  
[www.evangelicalucc.org](http://www.evangelicalucc.org)