

Discovering Abundance August 1, 2010

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"Spanish Dance"
Zach Tesch, Piano (11:00)

INVOCATION

One: You, Holy Friend, just you.
You are the ground of our believing,
the spring in our hoping, and the joy in our loving.
You are the reason why we are here
and the purpose that will later take us on our journey.
Help us to make the most of this time,
reaching deeply and rising high in bountiful worship.

B.D.Prewer

there are two ways
to discover 'enough'...

one is to acquire greater wealth.

the other is to acquire fewer
needs.



<http://snowjunkie.wordpress.com/2009/11/08/the-rich-fool/>

The Other Evangelical Evangelical United Church of Christ

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

*HYMN 1

"Immortal, Invisible"

tune: St. Denio
words: Smith, adapted



Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise, in light in - ac - ces - si - ble
Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light, nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou
To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small; In all life thou liv - est, the
Great Fath - er, Great Moth - er, O Light of all light, thine an - gels a - dore thee, all



hid from our eyes, Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of
rul - est in might; thy jus - tice, like moun - tains, high soar - ing a -
true life of all; We blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the
veil - ing their sight; All laud we would rend - er, O help us to



Days, al - might - y, vic - to - rious, your great name we praise.
bove thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
tree, and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.
see 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

*LITANY

One: We thank you, Holy One, for the things that money cannot buy.
Many: **Sunrise on a cold morning and wreaths of mist in valleys.**

One: Magpies warbling in the rain and ducklings exploring parkland ponds.
Many: **The micro-delicacy of small wildflowers
and the bold splendour of wattles.**

One: For the pleasure of waking after a night of uninterrupted rest.
Many: **Familiar faces that smile a greeting
and share the breakfast rush.**

One: A wave from a neighbour or a surprise visit from an old friend.
Many: **For the awe we feel in the presence of
exquisite beauty or pure goodness.**

*Holy One, who satisfies our souls
with good things,
Empower us to set our minds on you,
not on things only of the earth.
Fill any emptiness and fear
with your grace.
Give us the courage to set aside that
which perishes,
and to live in freedom —
speaking truth,
offering bread, shelter and comfort
to others,
trusting in you, our Freedom,
our Truth, our Bread.
In the name of Jesus, give all good gifts,
Amen.*

Out in Scripture, HRC

He who distinguishes
the true savor of his food
can never be a glutton;
he who does not
cannot be otherwise.

-Henry David Thoreau



<http://regspace.net/ep/janetmccarthy/wp-content/uploads/2009/10/barn1.jpg>

One: Human curiosity which itches to explore and make sense of things.
Many: **Love which spends itself without thought of either comfort or reward.**

One: For the Christ who came among us with a zest for abundant life.
Many: **The parables that unsettle us and leave us exposed to raw Gospel.**

One: We thank you, Holy One, for joys so freely available.
Many: **Amen!**

B.D.Prewer, adapted

***RESPONSE** "Standing in the Need of Prayer" tune: Af Amer Trad.

**Not my brother, nor my sister, but it's me, O God,
standing in the need of prayer;
Not my brother, nor my sister, but it's me, O God,
standing in the need of prayer.**

Refrain:

**It's me, it's me, O God, standing in the need of prayer;
It's me, it's me, O God, standing in the need of prayer.**

**Not the preacher, nor the deacon, but it's me, O God,
standing in the need of prayer...**

**Not my father, nor my mother, but it's me, O God,
standing in the need of prayer...**

SCRIPTURE

Luke 12:13-21

Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

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

"Joyful, Joyful"
Anna Dodson, Oboe
Carol Wilke, Clarinet
Al Kranz, Clarinet

arr by A. Kranz

11:00AM

"Order My Steps"
Summer Choir

Burleigh

SERMON

Katherine Hawker

"restless in the midst of abundance," de Tocqueville

***HYMN 552**

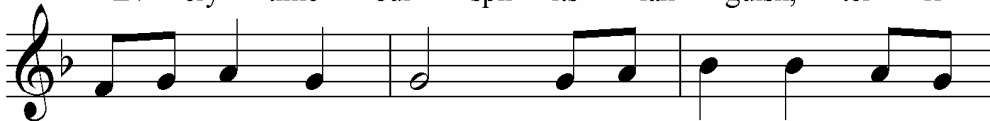
“From the Crush of Wealth and Power”

tune: Bridegroom

words: Gibbons



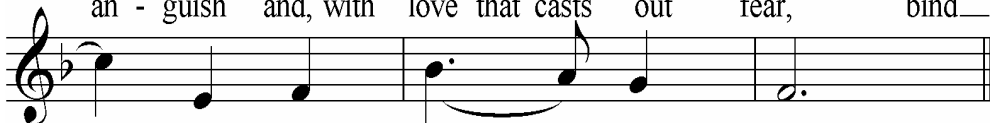
From the crush of wealth and pow - er some-thing
E - ven now our hearts are wa - ry of the
When our love for one an - oth - er makes our
Ev - ery time our spir - its lan - guish, ter - ri -



bro - ken in us all waits the Spir - it's si - lent
friend we need so much. When I see the pain you
bur - dens light to bear, find the sis - ter and the
fied to draw too near, may we know each oth - er's



hour — plead - ing with a poi - gnant call, bind —
car - ry, shall I, with a gen - tle touch, bind —
broth - er, hun - gry for the feast we share; bind —
an - guish and, with love that casts out fear, bind —



— all my wounds — a - gain.
— all your wounds — a - gain.
— all their wounds — a - gain.
— all our wounds — a - gain.

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.**

*Five hundred twenty-five thousand
six hundred minutes,
Five hundred twenty-five thousand
moments so dear.
Five hundred twenty-five thousand
six hundred minutes.
How do you measure, measure a year?*

*In daylights, in sunsets, in midnights,
In cups of coffee
In inches, in miles, in laughter, in strife.*

*In five hundred twenty-five thousand six
hundred minutes.
How do you measure
A year in the life?*

How about love? Measure in love

*Oh you got to got to remember the love!
You know that love is a gift from up above
Share love, give love spread love
Measure your life in love*

“Seasons of Love” from the musical Rent



<http://www.nataliedee.com/>

Ordinary riches can be stolen, real riches cannot. In your soul are infinitely precious things that cannot be taken from you.

TABLE PRAYER AND PROCESSION TO THE TABLE

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.

COMMUNION SONG

tune: traditional

Inspired by Naomi Batya and Sophie Conty

Em B7 Em

King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Glo-ry, Hal-le-lu-jah!
 Hol-i-ness and Mys-ter-y, Glo-ry, Hal-le-lu-jah!
 Cel-e-brate God's love re-vealed Glo-ry, Hal-le-lu-jah!
 Emp-ty tomb shows love has-won Glo-ry, Hal-le-lu-jah!

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Em Am B7 Em

Je-sus, Prince of Peace, Glo-ry, Hal-le-lu-jah!
 Fill us, Ho-ly One, Glo-ry, Hal-le-lu-jah!
 Neigh-bor now to love Glo-ry, Hal-le-lu-jah!
 Eas-ter songs now sing Glo-ry, Hal-le-lu-jah!

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***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

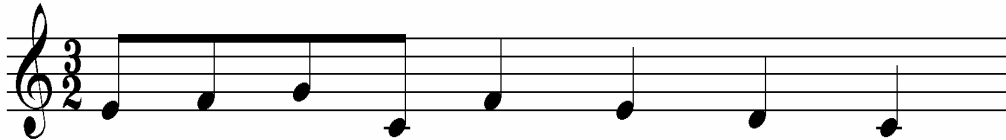
Many: **Amen**

***HYMN 564**

"We Are Not Our Own"

tune: Yarnton

words: Wren



We are not our own. Earth forms us,
We are not a - lone. Earth names us:
Through a hu - man life God finds us;
There - fore let us make thanks - giv - ing,



hu - man leaves on na - ture's grow - ing vine,
past and pres - ent, peo - ples near and far,
dy - ing, liv - ing, love is ful - ly known,
and with jus - tice, will - ing and a - ware,



Fruit of man - y gen - er - a - tions, seeds of life di - vine.
fam - i - ly and friends and strang - ers show us who we are.
and in bread and wine re - minds us: we are not our own.
give to earth, and all things liv - ing, lit - ur - gies of care.

5. And if love's en-coun-ters lead us
on a way un-certain and un-known,
All the saints with prayer sur-round us:
we are not a-lone.

6. Let us be a house of wel-come,
liv-ing stone up-hold-ing liv-ing stone,
Glad-ly show-ing all our neigh-bors
we are not our own!

***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!

AUGUST SPECIAL

OFFERING

This month, the Servant team would like to highlight EUCC's longstanding food ministries.

All year long, we accept food donations at the grocery cart in the vestibule, just outside the sanctuary. EUCC Lynn and Gretchen Loudermilk faithfully deliver these contributions to the food pantry at Joint Neighborhood Ministry, housed at Epiphany UCC in the Benton Park neighborhood of south St. Louis city. The food pantry provides supplemental and emergency hunger relief to over 1000 people each month. In addition, they have a food delivery program for seniors and disabled persons. Suggested items for August are tuna, tuna helper, canned green beans, fruit cocktail and jello, pudding mix, dry milk, soup, soap, and paper products. For safety's sake in transportation, please avoid glass containers.

The Sandwich Ministry began in 1995 as a hands-on outreach project; one we could do at EUCC that would involve all ages. Once each month we make 340 sandwiches which we take to Gateway Homeless Services in St Louis. Most of the sandwiches are put into lunch bags for the women and children who stay temporarily at the shelter. Some of the sandwiches are given to hungry people who knock on the door of the shelter asking for food. Without our help and the help of other area churches; Gateway would not have the sandwiches to feed those folks. The need is great. Our help is modest but real. In addition, the fellowship which occurs each month as we gather to spread peanut butter is a gift to all who participate. We are always in need of more shoppers and drivers. If you can occasionally help with these tasks, please call Dee Ban 965-1191 or Gretchen Loudermilk 968-9524.

FYI

SHEPHERDS AND NURSERY RELOCATION (during construction)

- The Shepherds (preschool/elementary play time) is in the Still Speaking Center.
- Nursery is in the Adult Lounge.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

-Lighting has been installed on the outside of the new wall. It's well worth a post-dusk drive thru the parking lot!!

-Finishing touches are nearly completion including replacement of the ceiling tiles.

-Take a peek into Classroom 23 and the lower level hallway! New tile has been installed.

WHERE AND HOW DO YOU SEE

OUR STILL SPEAKING GOD IN THE WORLD TODAY?

As a part of our upcoming Rally Day celebration, all members and friends of EUCC are invited to pick up their cameras and take a picture of where you see God. It doesn't matter how old you are, whether you are a professional photographer or not, or even if you own a camera (Al Schon will provide one for those who need it). Take a picture of God as you see God.

Once you have your picture you can have it printed and give it to Al, email it to Al at aschon1@yahoo.com, or bring it to church on a flash drive or disc. All pictures received by August 29th will be displayed on Rally Day so that we can all enjoy seeing God through the eyes of others.

FELLOWSHIP AND MINISTRY GROUPS

ART ACTIVITIES WITH EUCC'S MIXED MEDIA ARTIST

(also know as The Quilters)

AUGUST 4th AT 7pm

We would love to have anyone who enjoys paper crafting to join us! You are also most welcome to bring your own needlework projects and just come hang out and visit with us. For more information, contact Gail Saxton acsaxtonjr@aol.com.

RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Sts. Clare and Francis would like to extend an invitation to the women of EUCC for a Women's Retreat featuring Annette L. Sherwood and Dr. Devoree Crist of Spiritual Directors International. The event will be held Friday, August 6th and Saturday, August 7 at Maria Center. Further information is posted on the bulletin board and flyers are located on the table in the Narthex. Registration Deadline August 1st.

MEN OF K.U.C.C. (KNIGHTS OF UV CIVILITY & CUALITY)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7TH, 11:30

Men's Retreat Rouses Us to Order (pizza) while the women are having a church retreat of their own, Saturday, August 7th, 11:30-1:00. Bring your own 2 litre bottle to share via paper & plastic cups. Games of maledom are in the works! Please bring ANY and ALL *utterly useless materials* you can find lying around your abode to use as barter for the purpose of wagering. Bring any young (male or female) progeny. There WILL BE an initiation process, during which the minor will be paired with a non-relative KUCC adult for an arm wrestle. In order to receive **THE HONORED KUCC SHIRT**, the parent must attend with a plain t-shirt which the man-child can wear with pride. (I will bring the markers). If interested in attending, call Jim Herz, Senior Misnomer, at 314-968-0460.

SUMMER YOGA

Classes are held on Saturdays from 7:30am-9:00am in the Still Speaking Center. Anyone is welcome; no previous experience is required. Please bring a yoga mat and small blanker, all other supplies are provided. As always, when starting a new exercise program, it is recommended that you contact your physician

CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN WRITINGS GROUP

August 20

Book: Eternal Life: A New Vision by John Shelby Spong.

Discussion Leader: Bob Karr

Location: Karr's Home

September 17

Book: With or Without God by Greta Vosper

Discussion Leader: Marty Holland
Location TBD

EUCC MOMS' GROUP

Moms' group will meet Friday Aug 20 at church from 9:30-11:00. We will be sharing our summer stories and adventures as well as brainstorming for the coming year. If you need child care please let Dee Ban know

UPCOMING EVENTS

COFFEE HOUSE

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6 AT 6PM ON THE LAWN

Musicians of all ages will accompany our youth as they perform live music. Musicians and poets will also perform.

Where? Outside on the lawn

When? 6pm

Celebrate the end of our Peace Trail week! Lemonade and ice cream provided. Bring snacks to share and have some summer fun.

To play, sing or perform, contact Deborah at 314-918-2764.

LGBT AFFIRMING CHURCHES FAMILY PICNIC

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7 FROM NOON-6pm

Join area UCC LGBT-friendly folk at the Bohrer County Park for hot dogs and lemonade. Bring a dish to share and meet new friends!



PEACE TRAIL 2010—Begins Tomorrow

Peace Trail (our alternative to Vacation Bible School) begins on the front lawn tomorrow at 9:00am. Enrollment is already above 50 plus youth, adults and babies! If you have a morning to share, please come join us! Closing picnic will be on the lawn at noon on Friday.

**TONIGHT AT 6PM
our ONE AND ONLY
Peace Trail meeting—
Fireside Room!**

THIS WEEK AT EUCC

Sunday, August 1st

8:30am—Worship

9:30am—Coffee Fellowship

11:00am—Worship

5:15pm—Castlewood Support Group (Fireside Room)

6:00pm—Peace Trail Meeting (Still Speaking)

Monday, August 2nd

9:00am—PEACE TRAIL

Tuesday, August 3rd

9:00am—PEACE TRAIL

7:00pm—Phase 1 Building Committee Meeting (Still Speaking Ctr)

Wednesday, August 4th

9:00am—PEACE TRAIL

6:00pm—Huppert Music Lessons (Still Speaking Ctr)

7:00pm—Eating Disorder Recovery Group (Fireside Rm)

7:00pm—Quilters (Fellowship Hall)

Thursday, August 5th

9:00am—PEACE TRAIL

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

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

Friday, August 6th

9:00am—PEACE TRAIL

12 Noon—Peace Trail Picnic (Front Lawn)

6:00pm—CoffeeHaus (Front Lawn)

Saturday, August 6th

10:00am—Hubbert Music Lessons (Still Speaking Ctr)

MINISTRY		TODAY	NEXT WEEK
LITURGISTS	Read the Morning Scripture and Prayers	Nancy Reiter (8:30) Loretta Haggard (11:00)	Debbie Kelly (8:30/11:00)
SHEPHERDS	Help Carolyn play with our preschoolers	Joe Kelly	TBD
CRIB ROOM ASSISTANTS	Help Carole play with our babies (two shifts)	Marie Keath	Peggy Thater
USHERS	Greet worshipers and (at 11:00am) collect offering	David Faulkner, Geno and Lola Contestabile	Sis Huett and Gladys Bradley Bob and Gigi Hill Bob and Jean Karr
COFFEE HOUR	Provide finger foods and greet community between services	Gloria and Alex Wells Darlene Self	Gigi Hill The Love-Bryant Family
MONEY COUNTERS	Count the weekly offerings and enter into database	Norma Leuthauser Bobbie Pahmeier	Bob Risk and Ray Mulligan

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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.

Contact us:

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