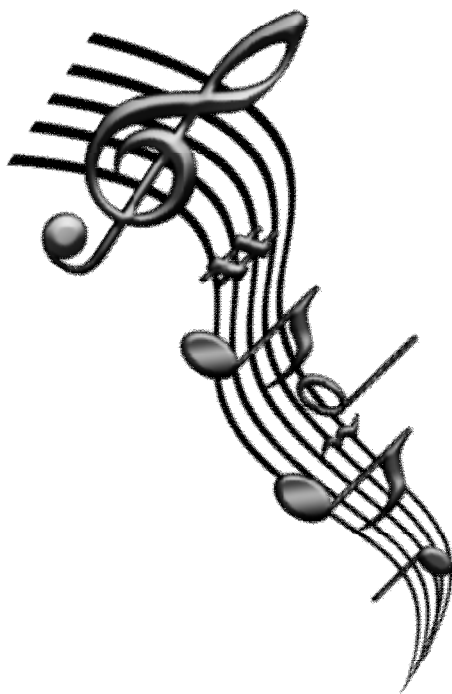


Service of Stories and Songs August 22, 2010



Singing Praises
Sing praises to the Lord with
heart and soul.
Singing heart, embrace the
spirit.
The notes play, like the stars
that sparkle,
joyously around the holy name
of the Lord.

N.F.S. Grunting (1783-1872) Denmark



Fanny Crosby

The Other Evangelical Evangelical United Church of Christ

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELLS

PRELUDE "Romance from Horn Concerto in Eb" Mozart
Steve Hoog, tuba

GATHERING WORDS

One: Grant unto us, O Lord, nerves of steel
That we may dare to sing a new song
And teach others to sing it too.

Grant unto us, O Lord, occasional failing memory
That we may forget the harsh criticisms of our taste of music
Yet, grant unto us, O Lord, memory clear as crystal
That we may remember the joy - and comfort -
That our word and music bring.

And above all else, dear Lord,
Grant unto us space and time in our busy-ness
That our souls may touch your soul -
And we may learn to sing the songs
That our souls shall sing for ever.

Wellspring

THE STORY BEHIND THE SONG

***HYMN 436** "Blessed Assurance" Fanny Crosby

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain:

*This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.*

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels, descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. (Refrain)

Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love. (Refrain)

Gulf Oil Spill Liturgy

Members of Florida's 100 UCC churches will gather for beach-side worship today at 7pm to celebrate and reflect how individuals can play — and are playing — a role in protecting the Gulf of Mexico devastated by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

The Florida churches are asking UCC congregations across the country to join in prayerful solidarity on the same day. Throughout the United States, congregations are asked to lift up "Disaster Relief Recognition Day" as a sign of support for those affected by the Gulf disaster.

Today's Call to Confession and Response have both been taken from this liturgy.

The Beauty We Love

Today, like every day,
we wake up hollow and
frightened.

Don't open the door to the
study and begin reading.
Reach for a musical instrument.
Let the beauty we love be what
we do.

There are hundreds of ways to
kneel and kiss the ground.

Jalil al-Din Rumi (1207-1273)

CALL TO CONFESSION

source: UCC Gulf Oil Spill Liturgy

One: Will you join me in the litany of confession?

Many: O God of the dolphin, whale, egret and pelican what have we, your people, done with the garden you entrusted to us?

One: You made the heaven and the earth, you made the sea, and all that is in them. You made us in your likeness.

Many: O God of the tuna, grouper, heron and sanderling what have we, your people, done with the garden you entrusted to us?

One: You keep faith with us and all of creation. You always do what you say.

Many O God of the clam, plankton, coral reef and wetlands what have we, your people, done with the garden you entrusted to us?

One: You execute justice for the oppressed. You give food to the hungry.

Many: O God of the shrimpers, oyster fisherfolk, waitresses and hospitality workers what have we, your people, done with the garden you entrusted to us?

One: You set the prisoners free. You open the eyes of the blind.

Many: O God of the oceanographer, politician, environmental activist and oil worker what have we, your people, done with the garden you entrusted to us?

One: You lift up those who are downtrodden. You uphold the orphan and the widow. You protect the stranger.

All: O God of all creation, tonight with the sand between our toes, inspire us to preserve and protect your creation. Inspire us to pass on a cleaner earth to our children and their children after them.

Written by Phil Garrison based on Psalm 146 and "The Wind, One Brilliant Day" - Antonio Machado

RESPONSE

source: UCC Gulf Oil Spill Liturgy

"O Gracious Maker, from your Hand"

Tune: Malita
Word: Danner

Give us the cour-age that we need to con-quer sel-fish-ness and greed;
help us to change our waste-ful ways, so earth might see far bet-ter days;
teach us to know what's right, what's wrong, so ev-ery voice might raise a song.

THE STORY BEHIND THE SONG

*HYMN 472

"Precious Lord"

Thomas A. Dorsey



Pre-cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me
When my way grows drear, pre-cious Lord, lin-ger
When the shad - ows ap - pear and the night draws



stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; — Through the
near, when my life is — al - most gone, — Hear me
near, and the day is — past and — gone, — At the



storm, through the night, lead me on to the
cry, hear my call, hold my hand, lest I
riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my



light: Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.
fall: Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.
hand: Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.

SCRIPTURE

PSALM 100

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

Worship the LORD with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.

Know that the LORD is God.
It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him, bless his name.

For the LORD is good;
his steadfast love endures for ever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.

MISSION MOMENT

Jonah Schnell

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).

"After silence, that which comes
nearest to expressing the
inexpressible is music."

Aldous Huxley

"What is best in music is not to
be found in the notes."

Gustav Mahler

"Music is the fragrance of the
universe."

Giuseppe Mazzini

"The key of D is daffodil
yellow, B major is maroon, and
B flat is blue."

Marian McPartland

IN OUR PRAYERS

Our altar flowers this morning have been given by Peg Steffen Sant' Ambrogio in memory of her parents, Bernice Childress and Edward Frederick Steffen.



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.

SPECIAL MUSIC 8:30AM "You Shall Love the Lord" Hernandez
Serena Lewis
accompanied by Carey Brown, Piano
11:00AM "It's a Miracle" Gaither
Roni Branding, Frances Surman, Hannah Surman

THE STORY BEHIND THE SONG

***HYMN 237** "In the Garden" Austin C. Miles

I come to the garden alone,
while the dew is still on the roses;
And the voice I hear, falling on my ear,
the Son of God discloses.

Refrain:

*And he walks with me, and he talks with me,
and he tells me I am his own,
And the joy we share as we tarry there,
none other has ever known.*

He speaks, and the sound of his voice
is so sweet the birds hush their singing;
And the melody that he gave to me
within my heart is ringing. (Refrain)

I'd stay in the garden with him,
though the night around me be falling;
But he bids me go; through the voice of woe
his voice to me is calling. (Refrain)

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.***

Our Father, 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.

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.*

OFFERTORY

"Vocalise"
Steve Hoog, Tuba

Bordogni

THE STORY BEHIND THE SONG

***HYMN 547** "Amazing Grace" John Newton

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind but now I see.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

***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**

THE STORY BEHIND THE SONG

***HYMN** "How Great Thou Art" Carl Boberg

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed;

Refrain:
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art! (Refrain)

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE** "This Little Light of Mine" Traditional

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

SHEPHERD ROOM NEEDS YOU!!!!

The Shepherds Room has some missing and damaged baseboards and we do not have enough money in our budget to pay for replacing them. So we are asking people to donate some money to buy baseboards. It is \$2.50 per foot of baseboard. Jonah Schnell will be in the narthex before and after both services this Sunday and next Sunday to collect donations. You can also put your donations in the offering with Shepherds Room on the memo line or you can also send it to the church. We need to buy 200 feet of baseboard.

FINANCES IN BRIEF

General Fund

For the seven month period ending July 31, 2010 the General Fund contributions received were \$168,120, other income was \$8,266 for a total of \$176,386. Expenses were \$177,189. The result is a shortfall on July 31 of \$803. The weekly average of contributions received was \$5,880. The weekly average needed is \$6,013. Difference is a shortfall of \$134 per week.

Building Fund (for Phase 1 Construction)

As of July 31, 2010 Phase 1 project costs total \$487,996. Building Fund contributions total \$313,767. The contributions plus the member loans of \$338,000 have precluded the need to withdraw funds from the loan with United Church of Christ Cornerstone Fund. Cash on hand is \$185,548.

Thank you, members and friends, for continuing strong support of EUCC.

FELLOWSHIP AND MINISTRY GROUPS

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 blanket, all other supplies are provided. As always, when starting a new exercise program, it is recommended that you contact your physician

DINNER AND A MOVIE

Saturday, August 28th

Join us to see the newly released Eat, Pray, Love at the Galleria 6! We will see a late afternoon showing and meet for dinner afterwards. More details will be forthcoming once the specific movie times are advertised. Please RSVP to Patty Pelikan, Community Team, at 314-993-0928 or pmp2stl@yahoo.com, to help us finalize details on the event. We hope to see you there!"

CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN WRITINGS GROUP

September 17

Book: With or Without God by Gretta Vosper
Discussion Leader: Marty Holland
Location TBD

ART ACTIVITIES

Wednesday, September 1

The EUCC Q&A (Quilters and Artists) will meet the morning of Wednesday, September 1 from 9 – 11 in Fellowship Hall. We will be making quantities of a new fabric flower which will be sold next year to benefit the Worldwide Fistula Fund, an important maternal health ministry in Africa, which is headed up by EUCC's own Dr. Lewis Wall. In addition, there will be the usual work on prayer quilts. And if you would just like to come hang out with us, you are most welcome to bring your own needlework projects to work on as we visit.

Since we have morphed from mere quilters to mixed media artists, we have taken on new projects. We plan to have a booth of hand-made items at this year's Advent Fair, with the proceeds going to our church's Capital Campaign Fund. Old Christmas cards and wine bottle corks would be useful for some of the things that we are making. If you have any to donate, please contact Gail Saxton at 314-821-7917 or acsaxtonjr@aol.com.

OLOC OPEN MEETING

Sunday, August 29

Old Lesbians Organizing for Change (OLOC) is having an open meeting for all ages on August 29th at 3pm at EUCC. We plan to show a video of a recent BBC film about Anne Lister. The meeting generally last until 5pm and those who wish are welcome to join us for dinner out afterwards.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

CHANCEL CHOIR ADVANCE AND POTLUCK

Sunday, August 22, 5pm

at the home of Earl and Joyce Brown. Come join us as we look at some of the coming musical repertoire for the year....and eat/drink/be merry. Info: Jill or Donita 367-8224.

FIRST CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL:

Thursday, September 9, 7:30pm.

FIRST CHILDREN'S CHOIR REHEARSAL:

Wednesday, September 8th 6:30pm

Children's Choir will have their first rehearsal on Wednesday, Sept 8th from 6:30pm-7:30pm. All children in Pre-K—6th grade are welcome to come and sing in the choir. Please contact Darcy Swanson at 314-729-0251 if you have any questions.

RALLY DAY

Sunday, September 12th

Celebration of the beginning of the new Church School year including a Pancake Breakfast prepared by our amazing Youth beginning at 9:30am!!!

CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES BEGIN

Sunday, September 19th

Classes begin for 3 year olds through Adults with nursery care provided during the hour. We have the need for teachers for an ADDITIONAL Pre-K this year. Please be in contact with Katy if you are interested in helping.

NEW MEMBER SESSIONS

Sundays, September 26th, October 3rd and October 10th.

If you are interested in joining EUCC or simply want to know more about us, you are invited to attend our New Member Sessions at 9:45am in the Still Speaking Center. We will be welcoming new members on Sunday, October 17th. If you have any questions, you may contact Kathy Cormack.

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.

For a complete, up to date calendar visit our website:

THIS WEEK AT EUCC

Sunday, August 22nd

8:30am—Worship

9:30am—Coffee Fellowship

9:30am—Sandwich Ministry (Fellowship Hall)

11:00am—Worship

12:00pm—Servant Team Mtg (Still Speaking Ctr)

3:00pm—Eden Drumming Circle (Fellowship Hall)

5:00pm—Woodcarvers (Fellowship Hall)

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

Monday, August 23rd

KATY OUT OF THE OFFICE

9:15am—Job Jar

Tuesday, August 24th

KATY OUT OF THE OFFICE

9:00am—Amy's Soell's Yoga (Still Speaking Ctr)

6:30pm—Phase 1 Building Committee Meeting (Still Speaking Ctr)

Wednesday, August 25th

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

Thursday, August 26th

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

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

Friday, August 27th

9:30am—WG Mom's Connection (Fellowship Hall)

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

Saturday, August 28th

9:30am—Endowment Committee Mtg (Fellowship Hall)

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

MINISTRY		TODAY	NEXT WEEK
LITURGISTS	Read the Morning Scripture and Prayers	Marilyn Stavenger (8:30) Peg Sant'Ambrogio (11:00)	Mickey Clarke (8:30) Patty Pelikan (11:00)
SHEPHERDS	Help Carolyn play with our preschoolers	Geno and Lola Contestabile	Jane Miles and Chris Reinhard
CRIB ROOM ASSISTANTS	Help Carole play with our babies (two shifts)	Ray Milligan	Linda Kolley
USHERS	Greet worshipers and (at 11:00am) collect offering	Bob and Bobbie Pahmeier Karen Droege, Phil Barbier, Bob and Jean Karr	Earl Brown, Sean Bryant Joe Ulrich, Steve Bardlemeier Stacey Morris, Joe Kelly
COFFEE HOUR	Provide finger foods and greet community between services	Vickie Miller Gary Stalling	Brenda Detrick Judy Guerrero
MONEY COUNTERS	Count the weekly offerings and enter into database	Nick Gilham and Jeremy Meyer	Brenda Detrick Barb Schroeder

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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 child-care 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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