

Congregational Church United Church of Christ



Thirteenth
Sunday
After
Pentecost

August 30, 2020 Zoom Worship

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE Adagio in G minor Tomaso Albinoni

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Eric Sherlock

Hazel Furber-Dobson

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come in from the night.

All: It is a new day, and this is where love lives.

One: Take off your coat, let the weight fall off your shoulders;

All: For here, you are known. Here, you are loved.

One: Come in from the rain.

All: We can do anything together. We can survive together.

One: When the world unravels from under your feet—come in.

All: Come in.
One: Come in.

All: God is here. You are home. You will never be alone.

One: Let us worship the God who weaves us together. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Pastor Eric

Holy God,

We have been angry because we see suffering and we don't understand.

We have been skeptical because we know heartbreak that doesn't seem fair.

We have withheld love because sacrifice only feels real when it's our own.

Forgive us for forgetting that you created the heavens and the earth.

Forgive us for withholding our pain from you.

Forgive us for thinking that we know everything.

When the world falls apart around us—

When love unravels and life slowly fails—

Draw us in.

Show us grace; for you gave the wind its weight and you gave our bodies life.

Forgive us for forgetting that. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE Hazel

One: Peace be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us greet one another with waves and smiles

and pass the peace of Christ using the chat feature.

OPENING HYMN Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise See page 4.

TIME WITH CHILDREN Rev. Todd Atkins-Whitley

SCRIPTURE LESSON Job 28:12-28 Nancy Snyder

SERMON When Everything Falls Apart Pastor Eric

ANTHEM Where Shall Wisdom Be Found Alan Bullard

The Chapel Choir of Selwyn College, Cambridge

Sarah MacDonald, director

TIME OF PRAYER Pastor Todd

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

(Email your requests to Pastor Eric or type them in the chat window.)

All: Hear our prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (using these words or the words most familiar to you)

Our Loving God, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

TIME OF GIVING Nancy Snyder

Invitation to Giving

During this time of virtual worship, we invite you to

give online via our web site and clicking "Donate" in the upper right of the screen.

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

Offertory Prayer

CLOSING HYMN Let All Things Now Living See page 5.

BENEDICTION Pastor Eric

POSTLUDE God of Power and Might arr. Lee Dengler

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 1 Walter C. Smith, 1867; alt. 1 Tim. 1:17; Ps. 36:6 mor - tal, vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise, Un rest - ing, un hast - ing, si - lent and as light, 3 Your is life life giv - ingboth great and small; per - fect your glo - ry, bril - liant your light, in in - ac ces - si ble hid from our eyes, not want - ing, not wast - ing, but rul - ing in might; life you're the life of all; in liv - ing, true an - gels dore you, all veil - ing their sight; your Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient Days, jus - tice Your like moun-tains high soar - ing a bove, We blos - som and flour - ish as leaves and as flowers, All do: praise we now ren - der as your an gels praise. might - y, vic to - rious, your great name we al clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love. your per - ishnaught dims your then with - er and but powers. the splen - dor of light hid - ing you. in awe at

Walter C. Smith, minister of the Free Church of Scotland and later moderator of the Assembly, wrote poetry as a retreat from work and to say what could not be fully expressed in the pulpit.

Tune: ST. DENIO 11.11.11.11.

Adapt. from a Welsh ballad in John Roberts'
Caniadaeth y Cysegr, 1839



Written for an easy-to-sing folk melody familiar in England as well as Wales, this 20th-century North American text bears many resemblances to both Psalm 148 and the traditional canticle *Benedicite, omnia opera Domini* (Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord).

Announcements

If you would like to submit a prayer concern or joy for next Sunday's Zoom Worship, please email it to Pastor Eric at eric@danvillechurch.org.

To keep up-to-date on news and announcements during this time of social distancing, **please read your email** from DCC thoroughly! All communication related to church news and events will be communicated via email!

Parents' Meetings

Parents of Children Age 4 through Grade 5

Tuesday, September 1—6:30pm-8pm
Zoom Link

Do you want to plan some fun?

The Community Life Commission is planning our first meeting soon. We are looking for people to join our group and be part of planning some fun ways that we can enhance connections for our congregation, during our Shelter in Place and beyond. If you would like to be part of our commission, please reach out to either Joyce Klassen (joyce.klassen@comcast.net) or Karen Kawaguchi (karktk@comcast.net). All are invited to be part of this fun-loving and welcoming group!

Register for Annual Gathering!

<u>Annual Gathering</u> of the Northern California Nevada Conference of the UCC will be held on October 24, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Resolutions and other meeting materials have been sent or will be sent soon and posted on our website. Registration is now open. There is no charge but you must register.

Church Directory

Beginning this month, a team comprised of Emmaus Committee members and Deacons will be calling those listed in our church directory for whom we do not have Emergency Contact information.

Although infrequent, there have been instances when our pastors needed to reach a designated representative of a member of our church family, as in the case of a medical emergency, or when unable over a period of time to reach someone for a welfare check. When these occasions do arise, it is imperative that we have an alternate contact available.

Your assistance in getting our directory up to date will be greatly appreciated! If you have any questions, please email **Diane Stein.**

Black Trans Lives Matter
Black Queer Lives Matter
Black Women Matter
Black Men Matter
Black Disabled People Matter
Black Children Matter
Black Undocumented People Matter
BLACK LIVES MATTER

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Upcoming Virtual Gatherings

Worship at DCC, Sundays at 9:30am

https://zoom.us/j/492975948?pwd=blJqZTNpNGo3S1o0YkNFM3FWQ1dIQT09

or by Zoom app: **492 975** 948, password **322** or by phone: dial **669-900-6833** and enter **492 975 948** as the Meeting ID and **322** as the password.

Youth Group, *Sundays* at 5:00pm Email Pastor Todd for the link.

Parents Meeting (age 4 through grade 5), *Tuesday* at 6:30pm Zoom Link

Youth Group Antiracism Book Chat, Thursdays at 5:15pm Email Pastor Todd for the link.

Ministers—The Entire Congregation

Church Staff
The Rev. Eric Sherlock, Senior Pastor
The Rev. Todd Atkins-Whitley, Associate Pastor
John Kendall Bailey, Music Director
Mary-Marie Deauclaire, Handbell Director
Elizabeth Setlak-von Thury, Office Manager
Nicole Doyle, Nursery Attendant

The **DCC Prayer Team** prays daily for those in need of prayers. If you would like to submit a prayer request for yourself or someone else, contact a pastor or send an email to prayers@danvillechurch.org.

All requests are kept confidential unless specified otherwise.

Kelley Mangels, Dayspring Preschool Director dayspringpreschool.org



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