

Welcome to Samuel UCC
No matter where you are on life's journey,
YOU
are welcome here!

- We are **REQUIRING** everyone wear a facemask. (*Children 3 years and younger would be exempt from the mask requirement.*)
- You may move about and greet one another during “The Passing of the Peace.” As always, be respectful of other’s comfort levels regarding touching.
- The offering plate will be at each entrance to the sanctuary.
- Congregational singing of hymns is permitted for those who have been fully vaccinated.
- At this time, we will not be having a formal indoor fellowship time after church, but you are invited to talk with each other after worship in the sanctuary or outside.
- Children are invited to stay in service for Children’s Time (called “*A Story for All Ages*”) and then join Sunday School.
- Children aged 3 and under are welcome to join our staffed and vaccinated Nursery in the fellowship hall.

Ways you can
SERVE

Scan the QR
code here to
be taken to the
Online Sign ups!



Sunday May 29, 2022
10am Samuel United Church of Christ
The Seventh Sunday After Easter
Confirmation Sunday

**indicates all who are comfortably able, please rise in body or spirit*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Ringling of the Bells

Call to Worship

One: Through every age, and in every place the Christ in whose name we gather calls disciples with a simple invitation:
“Come follow me.”

All: And where is it that we go with Christ?

One: Christ leads us among enemies and strangers, causing us to regard all persons as potential friends.

All: Christ leads us on this journey of faith into uncharted places, but with the assurance that we are never alone.

One: Christ leads us to love ourselves as we love those around us that grace may abound and be made real in our lives.

All: We gather as the Church to be Christ’s body in the world.

***Opening Hymn**

“The Church’s One Foundation”

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Eph. 2:13-22; 4:4-6; 1 Cor. 3:11

Samuel J. Stone, 1866; alt.

1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ our Lord;
 2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3 'Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion, and tu - mult of our war,
 4 Yet we on earth have un - ion with God, the Three - in - One,

we are Christ's new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word;
 one char - ter of sal - va - tion, one God, one faith, one birth,
 we wait the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.

From heaven Christ came and sought us in love to set us free;
 One name to - geth - er bless - ing, one ho - ly food we share,
 Till with the vi - sion glo - rious, our long - ing eyes are blessed,
 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! God, give us grace that we,

with pre - cious blood Christ bought us for all e - ter - ni - ty.
 to one hope we are press - ing, at one in work and prayer.
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
 like them, the meek and low - ly, may live e - ter - nal - ly.

The Passing of the Peace

If you are worshipping with us on Zoom, we invite you to wave your hands to those around you. You may also want to unmute yourself and greet one another with the “Peace of Christ be with you.” For those who are in person, we invite you to greet one another, but be attentive to those who may not want to shake hands. If someone waves that is a cue for a wave back.

***The Response**

“Halleluja”

#236 NCH (black)

**Halle, Halle Halle-lu-ja. Halle, Halle Halle-lu-ja.
Halle, Halle Halle-lu-ja. Halle-lu-ja, Halle-lu-ja.**

A Story for All Ages *(Children’s Time)*

Hymn:

“Every Time I Feel The Spirit”

#282 NCH (black)

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

2 Sam. 22:9; Ps. 18:8

African-American spiritual

Refrain

Ev - ery time I feel the Spir - it mov - ing in my heart I will

pray. Yes, ev - ery time I feel the Spir - it mov - ing

Last time, end

in my heart I will pray. 1 Up - on the moun - tain my God
2 Oh, Jor - dan riv - er, chil - ly and

spoke, out of God's mouth came fire and smoke. Looked all a -
cold, it chills the bod - y, not the soul. There's on - ly

to Refrain

round me; looked so fine; I asked my God if all were mine.
one train on this track; it runs to heav - en, then right back.

I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry

John Ylvisaker, 1985; alt

Unison

D7 G D G D G D

1 I was there to hear your born - ing cry, I'll be
 2 When you found the won - der of the Word, I was
 3 In the mid - dle a - ges of your life, not too
 4 I was there to hear your born - ing cry, I'll be

G D G D7 G D

there when you are old. I re - joiced the day you
 there to cheer you on; You were raised to praise the
 old, no long - er young, I'll be there to guide you
 there when you are old. I re - joiced the day you

G D G C D7 G

were bap - tized, to see your life un - fold.
 liv - ing God, to whom you now be - long.
 through the night, com - plete what I've be - gun.
 were bap - tized, to see your life un - fold. *St. 4, end*

G/B C G

I was there when you were but a child, with a
 Should you find some-one to share your time and you
 When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you

The Rite of Confirmation

The Invitation and Opening Sentences

The Questions of the Candidates and the Prayer of the Candidates

***The Affirmation of Faith**

Written by the Confirmation Class of Samuel UCC, 2022

God is all knowing, but we are not. Not a person in the sky, but an idea and an ideal.

Jesus was a real person. The stories of what he did and said teach us life lessons.

The Holy Spirit is Jesus and God's presence with us today. Guiding us in tough times.

The Church is a community where we learn from one another and practice caring, fairness, and justice. The church hasn't always been, and will never be, what it should be because it is made up of imperfect people.

God welcomes all!

***The Doxology** #779 NCH (*black*)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here bellow;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.**

The Acknowledgments

The Act of Confirmation

The Response *“Spirit of the Living God”* #283 NCH (*black*)

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

The Prayer of Confirmation

***The Ritual of Welcome**

All: We welcome you with joy as partners in the common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we all continue to grow in God's knowledge and love, and be witnesses of our Risen Savior. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's 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, for ever. Amen.”

*Closing Hymn:

“Go to the World”

#299 NCH (black) Tune of “For All the Saints”

**Go to the world! Go into all the earth.
Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth,
Baptizing as the sign of our rebirth.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Go to the world! Go into every place.
Go live the Word of God's redeeming grace.
Go seek God's presence in each time and space.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Go to the world! Go struggle, bless and pray;
The nights of tears give way to joyous day.
As servant church, we follow Christ's own way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,
For I am with you 'til the age shall end,
When all the hosts of glory cry “Amen!” Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Challenge and Blessing

One: This is the day.

All: This is the time.

One: God hears and God helps.

All: God's grace is for all!

One: Let us Listen and Hear.

All: Let us Receive and Respond.

One: And may the love of God go with you now and always.

Amen.

Liturgist: The Confirmation Class of 2022

Altar Flowers are placed by Samuel Church in honor of the Confirmands.

Music Leader: Larry Pry

Fellowship Time is hosted by the Elders in honor of the Confirmands.

Looking Ahead

May 30: Memorial Day

June 1: Pride Month Begins

June 5: Pentecost / Communion / Food Collection

June 15: Father's Day / Juneteenth

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, we will be celebrating Rite of Confirmation. Those confirming their baptismal vows this morning are:

Colgan James Craig

Son of Susan & Jim Craig

Owen Richard Groene

Son of Teresa & Jeff Groene

Kaelyn Violet Krysowaty

Daughter of Christine & Sean Krysowaty

Claire Elizabeth Linnenbringer

Daughter of Erin & Keith Linnenbringer

Kylie Park Nesvig

Daughter of Julie & Paul Nesvig

Granddaughter of Keith & Betty Karau

Remembering, Lindsay Karau, Mother

We also rejoice with *Eva Brown* who will be Confirmed at 1st Congregational UCC, in Clayton next Sunday. Our two congregation had the joy of conducting our confirmation programs together this year.

Graduates of 2022

Please let us know of anyone who is graduating this spring – from school, college, or program. We will share a list of all graduates at the end of the month.

Music for Service

If you are interested in playing special music for an upcoming Sunday, or in leading the hymns, please sign up online or on the connection clipboard.

HELP! Volunteers Needed for Sundays!

You can sign up on the Connections Clipboard where you will find a detailed description of each role or you can scan the QR code at the front of the bulletin to be taken directly to the online sign ups. We can't do this alone – we need you!

Children and Youth Minister Search Committee – Job Posted

If you know of anyone interested, please contact someone from the Search Committee: Susan Craig, Leslie French, Pastor Jeff, Christine Krysowaty, Danielle Lindsey, and Alex Miller.

Director of Music Search – Job Posted

If you know of anyone who might be interested in this part-time position, please contact a committee member: Deni Bouillon, Penny Chou, Scott Driemeier-Showers, Keith Karau, or Pastor Jeff.

Mask Update and Fellowship Time: June 5

Consistory had decided that beginning June 5, masks will be **OPTIONAL** in worship. We will continue to sit every other pew. They also decided that we can plan on having indoor Fellowship Time after church on a more regular basis.

Major Website Updates!

Take a moment to check out the major updates to our website at samuelucc.org!



The Mission Statement of Samuel Church

Samuel Church, gathered by Grace,
Nourished by the Word, and Renewed by the Holy Spirit,
is a welcoming, caring community of faith.

In response to the gift of grace, and in affirmation of the inclusive love of Christ, we welcome all persons into our fellowship. We seek to be a congregation that includes persons of any race, gender identity, age, sexual orientation, marital status, faith understanding, mental and physical ability, and socio-economic background. We welcome all to share fully in the life and leadership, ministry and fellowship, worship, rites and sacraments, responsibilities, and blessings of the community called Samuel Church.