


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

- Facemasks are now OPTIONAL.
- 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.
- 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.
- Join us after the service for a time of Fellowship

Ways you can
SERVE

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



Sunday June 26, 2022

10am Samuel United Church of Christ

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

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

Prelude *"True Colors" words & music by Kelly and Steinberg, arranged by Archer*

Welcome & Announcements

Ringing of the Bells

Call to Worship

One: God of prophets – both ready and reluctant,

All: We gather to be renewed in your Spirit.

One. Jesus cast a vision of a very different world.

All: We gather to with eyes open to the challenge of living out that vision in our time.

One: The Holy Spirit is with us, inviting us to pick up the call to be transformed and a force of transformation in our place.

All: May we be receptive to this Spirit that moves around us and within us.

***Opening Hymn**

"O Holy Dove of God Descending" #285 NCH (black)

O Holy Dove of God Descending

Bryan Jeffery Leech, 1976

Unison

C Am F G C Am F G

- 1 O ho-ly Dove of God de - scend-ing, you are the love that knows no end - ing,
- 2 O ho-ly Wind of God now blow - ing, you are the seed that God is sow - ing,
- 3 O ho-ly Rain of God now fall - ing, you make the Word of God en-thrall-ing,
- 4 O ho-ly Flame of God now burn - ing, you are the power of Christ re-tur - ning,

F C Dm G C F G7sus4 G C

All of our shat - tered dreams you're mend-ing: Spir-it, now live in me.
You are the life that starts us grow-ing: Spir-it, now live in me.
You are the in - ner voice now call - ing: Spir-it, now live in me.
You are the an - swer to our yearn-ing: Spir-it, now live in me.

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.

Mission Moment – *Sharing Experiences from the Mission Trip to
Hinton Rural Life Center, Hayesville, North Carolina*

A Story for All Ages

Hymn: *“A Hymn for Self-Acceptance”*

A Hymn for Self-Acceptance

Wesley King

BEACH SPRING
B.F. White, harm. Ronald A. Nelson

1. When you feel change might be hope - less, when you've giv - en up on God,
2. Years and years, beg - ging for turn - ing in - to some - thing that you're not.
3. You are worth more than you real - ize. You are won - der - ful - ly made

when you feel you're not worth sav - ing, that your be - ing - ness is flawed.
The wrong prayer you have been pray - ing. You are not God's af - ter-thought.
in the im - age of our Mo - ther, Fa - ther, Pa - rent, all the same.

When your prayers still seem un - an - swered, not a sound from the_ Di - vine,
You are made as God in - tend - ed. You are per - fect— flaw-less too!
Don't let doc - trines of our church - es use the Word to mis - con - stue,

may - be you have been mis - ta - ken. God is send - ing you a sign.
May each one of you re - mem - ber, no - thing sev - ers God from you.
for it's writ - ten in the scrip - tures, sure - ly God de - lights in you!

A Story for the Ages - 2 Kings 2:1–2, 6–14

2 Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. 2 Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel.

6 Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. 7 Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. 8 Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

9 When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.” Elisha said, “Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.” 10 He responded, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.” 11 As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. 12 Elisha kept watching and crying out, “Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Response *“Breathe on Me, Breath of God” (St. 2) #292 NCH (black hymnal)*

**Breath on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure
Until with you I will one will, to do and to endure.**

The Message – *Pastor Jeff Groene*

Special Music

Dan Touchon

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:** *“Sing a New World into Being”*

Sing a New World into Being

Mary Louise Bringle

NETTLETON

Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second 1813

1. Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Sound a bold and hope - ful theme.
2. Sing a new world in - to be - ing where each gen - der class and race
3. Sing a new world in - to be - ing where the home - less find a home.
4. Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Join the an - cient proph - ets' cry

Find a tune for si - lent yearn - ings. Lend your voice and dare to dream:
brings its rain - bow gifts and col - ors to God's lim - it - less em - brace;
where no chil - dren ev - er hun - ger but are filled with God's sha - lom;
for a time of health and plen - ty when all tears have been wiped dry;

dream a church where all who wor - ship find their lives and loves be - long.
where the lines that once di - vi - ded form in - stead the ties that bind.
where all peo - ple work for jus - tice, where all hate and vengeance cease.
when com - pas - sion flows like wa - ters, pour - ing balm for all who grieve.

Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Sing as Christ in - spires your song!
Sing a new world in - to be - ing: risk trans - form - ing heart and mind!
Sing a new world in - to be - ing: raise the har - mo - nies of peace.
Sing a new world in - to be - ing: live the prom - ise you be - lieve!

The Challenge and Blessing

***The Postlude** *"On Eagle's Wings" by Joncas, arranged by Hayes*

Liturgist: Sue Touchon

Music Leader: Penny Chou

Hymn Leader: Teresa Groene

Ushers: Dan Touch and Sandy
Deatherage

Sunday School: Erin Linnenbringer

**Altar Flowers are
placed by:** In memory of Marilyn
Forsythe by her friend of 70
years, Betty Edelmann

**Fellowship Time
Hosts:** Hugh & Penny Chou

ANNOUNCEMENTS

June is Pride Month!

Celebrate PRIDE for all of our neighbors and friends this month! PrideFest 2022 June 25-26. This year, Gateway ONA is not having a booth, but Eden Seminary is. Gateway ONA will participate in the parade, which will begin at 10th and Market streets starting at 11am due to the baseball game. If you would like volunteer at the booth or participate in the parade, contact Loren Cope at **330-903-7711** or buckeyeohio@hotmail.com

Wiese Hall is CLOSED due to Preschool Camp

This week a blower in the second floor preschool HVAC system died after 65 years of use. Since it's so hot outside, the Preschool has moved its summer camp to the basement fellowship hall.

PLEASE DO NOT USE THE FELLOWSHIP HALL as it is set up for the Preschool Camp activities.

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, Celina Casado or Pastor Jeff.

2022 Directory: REVIEW TIME

<input type="checkbox"/> CHECK Here if INFO IS CORRECT	Street Address
<u>LAST NAME</u>	City State Zip
	Home phone
	<u>First Name</u> Pronoun Status
	Cell Phone
	Email
	<u>First Name</u> Pronoun Status
	Cell Phone
	Email
	<u>Children</u>
	First Name Pronoun Status

Our 2022 Directory is ready for your review! All of the entries will look like this:

Here's what you need to do:

1. Look over your family's entry on the copy of the directory passed around the congregation.
2. If the information is correct, put a check mark in the green box above your last name.
3. If the information is **not** correct, please correct it right there on the page.
4. Hey, where's my cell / email? If there is information missing, please provide it. Missing information means we do not have it.
5. Did we miss you? If you aren't listed, the last few pages of the directory have space for you to provide your info.
6. I want to provide a photo! Do you have a photo of your family? Send it to pictures@samuelucc.org and we will put it next to your image.