

Sunday July 10, 2022

10am Samuel United Church of Christ

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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 Yellow Room.
- Join us after the service for a time of Fellowship in the Ziercher Room.

Ways you can
SERVE

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



LARGE PRINT BULLETINS and hearing assistance devices are available.

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

Welcome & Gathering Music

Announcements

Ringling of the Bells

***Call to Worship**

One: Come unto us, O God, as we come unto You.

All: Teach us, again and anew ...

One: That the real voyage of discovery ...

All: Consists not in seeking new landscapes ...

One: But rather in having new eyes ...

All: Eyes which can finally recognize ...

One: Your image hidden deep within all humanity

All: And hidden deep within ourselves.

***Opening Hymn** *“Open My Eyes, That I May See”*
#454 UMH (*purple*)

454 Open My Eyes, That I May See

1. O - pen my eyes, that I may see glimps-es of truth thou
 2. O - pen my ears, that I may hear voic-es of truth thou
 3. O - pen my mouth, and let me bear glad-ly the warm truth

hast for me; place in my hands the won-der - ful key
 send - est clear; and while the wave - notes fall on my ear,
 ev - ery-where; o - pen my heart and let me pre-pare

Refrain

that shall un-clasp and set me free.
 ev - ery-thing false will dis - ap-pear. Si-lent - ly now I
 love with thy chil - dren thus to share.

wait for thee, read - y, my God, thy will to see.

O - pen my eyes,
 O - pen my ears, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!
 O - pen my heart,

***A Prayer of Transformation**

One: Let us pray together...

All: O Holy One, sometimes we want to tuck You away in a corner of our lives, limiting Your shaping of us, and, in turn, limiting both our vision and our love. Sometimes we want to be only partially transformed in comfortable ways. Strengthen us, then, that we may learn to open ourselves up to You completely and discover the wholeness we long for. This we pray, in Jesus' name. Amen.

***Response** *“Have Thine Own Way, Lord”* (V. 1) #382 UMH (Purple)

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!

Thou are the potter; I am the clay.

Mold me and make me, after Thy will,

While I am waiting, yielded and still.

***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 to 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*) *“A Jar of Sand”* Rev. Grothe

Hymn: *“I Will Trust in the Lord”* #416 NCH (*black*)

I Will Trust in the Lord

416

African-American traditional

Ps. 37:3

1 I will trust in the Lord, I will trust in the
2 I'm gon-na treat ev - ery-bod - y right, I'm gon-na treat ev - ery-bod - y

3
Lord, I will trust in the Lord, till I die.
right, I'm gon-na treat ev - ery-bod - y right, till I die.

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A Story for the Ages - *Luke 10:25-37 (Lexham English Bible)*

And behold, a certain legal expert stood up to test Jesus, saying, “Teacher, what must I do so that I will inherit eternal life?” And Jesus said to him, “What is written in the law? How do you read it?” And he answered and said, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” And Jesus said to him, “You have answered correctly. Do this and you will live.”

But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” And Jesus replied and said, “A certain man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who both stripped him and beat him. After inflicting blows on him, they went away, leaving him half dead. Now by coincidence a certain priest was going down on that road, and when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. And in the same way also a Levite, when he came down to the place and saw him, passed by on the opposite side. But a certain Samaritan who was traveling came up to him and, when he saw him, had compassion. And he came up and bandaged his wounds, pouring on olive oil and wine, and he put him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. And on the next day, he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, and said, “Take care of him, and whatever you spend in addition, I will repay to you when I return.” Which of these three do you suppose became a neighbor of the man who fell among the

robbers?” So the legal expert said, “The one who showed mercy to him.” And Jesus said to him, “You go and do likewise.”

Response *“Breathe on Me, Breath of God” (St. 2) #292 NCH (black)*
**Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure,
Until with you I will one will, to do and to endure.**

The Message *“My Neighbor is Me”* Rev. Dr. Allen Grothe

Special Music *“Sweet By and By”* piano solo, Deni Bouillon

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, forever. Amen.”

***Closing Hymn** *“Lead On, Eternal Sovereign”* #573 NCH (black)

Lead On Eternal Sovereign

Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1887; alt.

1 Lead on e - ter - nal Sov - ereign, we fol - low in your way;
 2 Lead on e - ter - nal Sov - ereign, we fol - low not with fear,
 3 Lead on e - ter - nal Sov - ereign, till sin's fierce war shall cease,

loud rings your cry for jus - tice, your call for peace this day:
 for in each hu - man con - flict your words of strength we hear:
 and all your saints to - geth - er will sing a hymn of peace;

Through prayer-ful prep - a - ra - tion, your grace will make us strong,
 That when we serve with glad - ness, you will not let us fall,
 Then all in your do - min - ion will live with hearts set free,

to car - ry on the strug - gle to tri - umph o - ver wrong.
 our trust is in your prom - ise that love will con - quer all.
 to love and serve each oth - er for all e - ter - ni - ty.

The Challenge and Blessing

*The Postlude

Liturgist: Penny Chou

Music Leader: Katie Kopff

Hymn Leader: Anne Grothe

Ushers: Gail Elble

Sunday School: Julie Nesvig

Altar Flowers are Tim Weaver in honor of Alex
placed by: Miller's Birthday

Fellowship Time
Hosts: Gail Elble & Becky Jones

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thursday July 21 at 7pm Art of Caring Team meeting on Zoom.

We will be discussing Samuel's booth and promotion of the September Art of Caring Event. Anyone who would like to be involved is invited to attend the meeting. Check your email for the meeting link.

Next Conversation on Race and Justice Sunday, July 24 at 7:00pm

Check your email for the Zoom meeting link.

Sunday, July 24 - Special Congregational Meeting following Worship

The Consistory is calling for a special congregational meeting on July 24th after worship to discuss repairs to the elevator. Our elevator has given us good service since it was installed in 1991, but the last inspection revealed some parts will need to be replaced for it to continue to meet code. The consistory is recommending an expenditure of \$17,000 to replace valves and power unit. This money would come from our Living Memorial Fund. We will also discuss starting a campaign to fund modernizing the elevator. This modernization will be needed in the next 5 years.

We welcome Kyle Reaka as our new Children, Youth, and Mission Minister.

On recommendation of the Search Team, the Consistory approved the hiring of Kyle Reaka as our New Children, Youth, and Mission Minister. Kyle is from Freeburg, Illinois and completed his Master of Divinity Degree at Louisville Presbyterian Seminary. He has been approved by the Indiana/Kentucky Conference of the United Church of Christ for ordination pending a call. Kyle has a passion for justice issues, has served as a chaplain in national parks, and has been involved in leading a youth group while in seminary. The Search Team interviewed three candidates through zoom and in-person interviews and invited the youth to participate in the interview process as well. We are excited about what Kyle will bring to our church and to our youth. He will start August 1st.

Discovery Time: Learn about Samuel Church will be in Late July

Interested in learning more about Samuel Church? We are planning a Discovery Time toward the end of July. Discovery Time is an hour-long opportunity ask questions and learn more about the United Church of Christ and Samuel Church in particular. There is no expectation to join the church if you attend Discovery Time, but we will schedule a time to receive new members in the weeks that follow if there are folk who would like to join the church.

Let us know if you are interested either by emailing Pastor Jeff at Pastor@samuelucc.org or using the Connection Clipboard on Sunday morning in worship. We will schedule the Discovery Night based on the availability of those interested.

Save the Dates:

CROP Walk: Sun Oct 2

Habitat Build Day Sat Nov 5, 2022

Our workday for Habitat for Humanity has been set for Saturday, Nov 5, 2022. If you are interested in participating, please contact Keith Karau at keith.karau@gmail.com.

Volunteers Needed

We need help! Here are descriptions of the ways you can serve – sign up on the Connections clipboard follow the link on QR code.

- **Liturgist** – reads the scripture and some prayers
- **Altar Flower Sponsors** – Purchase the altar flowers used each Sunday at service for \$28. After the service, the flowers are yours!
- **Ushers** will need to arrive about 10 minutes before service. Duties are varied and we will train you!
- **Fellowship Hosts** provide us with all the yummy eats and drinks while we gab after service. This will require you to arrive around 30 min before and stay 30 min after to clean up.
- **Special Music** We are looking for folks to provide special music for Sundays.
- **Hymn Leaders** We need singers to lead the hymns each Sunday! Arrival about 15 minutes before service to rehearse.
- **Sunday School Helper** During the summer we will need 1 adult volunteer each Sunday to join Leslie French, our nursery caregiver, in the Yellow Room/Playground with our younger kids. You can bring an activity for the children or simply hang out!
- **Prep Communion** This once-a-month duty will require you to come about 30 minutes before service and after service to wash glasses and put things away. If you don't know how to do it, we will train you!

2022 Directory: REVIEW DEADLINE JULY 17

<input type="checkbox"/> CHECK Here if INFO IS CORRECT	
<u>LAST NAME</u>	Street Address
	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.