

MAPLE STREET CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC

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WELCOME

Rev. Pam Cochrane

PRELUDE

My Help Comes From God
Jon Gaines, piano

David Hurd, Graham Gaines

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: God has shown us what is good, and what then is required of us?

All: To act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God.

One: Jesus says: Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes the One who sent me.

All: The Spirit says, "Come." Let each one who hears the Spirit say, "Come," for all are welcome here.

One: Let us worship God!

***OPENING HYMN**

I Am the Light of the World

Black No. 584

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Gathered in this sacred space, O Creator Spirit, in the multicolored company of Your church on earth and in heaven, we celebrate Your creation and invite Your presence into our midst. We know, Creator Spirit, that eternity cannot hold You, nor can our little words describe the breadth of Your faithfulness to us. Yet in the space of our small heart and in our praise, come close and repair us and let us live into your abundance.

In the name of the one who guides us, calls us beloved, and gives us belonging we pray...

***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. Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever, Amen.

***SUNG RESPONSE**

Red No. 241

Spirit divine, attend our prayers and make this world thy home;

Descend with all thy gracious powers, O come, great Spirit, come!

**Please stand as you are able*

PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION & WORDS OF GRACE

**Many: God, who made me in Your image,
teach me to love myself as You love me.
God, who made me in Your image,
allow me to show that image to the world.
God, who made me in Your image,
help me to see Your image in all those I meet.
God, who made me in Your image,
teach me to conserve and protect all Your creation.
God, who made me in Your image,
bless, protect, and keep me and all Your children safe.**

One: The One who breathed life into our lungs continues to be present with us. God, who has made us reflective of God's own image, has forgiven us all and made us new creations. Therefore, since our sins are forgiven, let us go forth with love and peace, honoring and upholding the dignity of all we meet, knowing we see reflections of God's image all around.

Many: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

You Are Mine
Chancel Choir

arr. Mark Hayes

TIME FOR ALL AGES

Rev. Pam Cochrane

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Pam Cochrane

OFFERING

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OFFERTORY

A Loving Heart
Chancel Choir

Timothy Bushong

***DOXOLOGY**

Lyrics: Thomas Ken, Tune: Red No. 515

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ whose pow'r uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Matthew 5:13-20

Casey Brennan
Pew Bible pgs. 882

MESSAGE*“Belonging”*

Rev. Douglas Vooyo

HYMN OF RESPONSEHelp Us Accept Each Other*

Black No. 388

BENEDICTION**POSTLUDE***Come Thou Almighty God*
Jon Gaines, piano

Felice de Giardini

*Our Worship together concludes with the Benediction.
The Postlude is transitional music which inspires us as we go forth as
disciples to serve God and one another. Worship has ended.
Our Service Begins.*

*The flowers this Sunday are given in loving memory of
Muriel E. Love and Margaret M. Wheeler
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