



MAPLE STREET CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC

*May 1, 2022 · Third Sunday of Easter & Sacrament
of Communion*

We share God's love, hope, and healing and serve our neighbors.

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME

Rev. Pam Cochrane

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Holy One, Provider

Many: Our ever-present help

One: In our emptiness

Many: You remind us of your presence

One: In your abundance

Many: You remind us you are here

One: With a love that conquers death

Many: You remind us we are yours

One: Holy! Holy! Holy!

Many: To the Ever-present One

All: Amen.

*HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

Red Hymnal No. 251

INVOCATION OF GOD'S PRESENCE (UNISON)

The Risen One is with us

Your ways are ways of justice

Your ways are ways of peace

Your ways are ways of love

In you, our hearts are full

In your ways, we will follow

in the name of the risen Christ 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 today 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.

**Please stand as you are able.*

***SUNG RESPONSE**

Tune: Black Hymnal No. 253, refrain

**Yours is the glory, Resurrected One!
Endless is the victory you o'er death have won.**

PRAYER OF REFLECTION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Open your hearts. Hear the good news.
God has not abandoned us
God has not sent us out to find our own way.
God is with us, all around us, at work within us.
In the name of all that is,
You are welcome into the grace, mercy, and forgiveness
Of the Creator of our hearts
Glory to the Giver of Life.
Amen.

ANTHEM

Lord of the Small
Chancel Choir

Johanna Anderson & Dan Forrest

SCRIPTURE READING — John 21:1-19

Judy Polagye
Black pew Bible pgs.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Douglas Vooyo

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

In His Steps
Chancel Choir

R. Kevin Boesiger

***DOXOLOGY**

Lyrics: Thomas Ken, Tune: Red No. 64

**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!**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)**

May these gifts be used to bring life and love and liberation for this world that God so dearly loves. Amen.

SERMON

“Following Jesus”

Rev. Pamela Cochrane

COMMUNION HYMN

Let Us Break Bread Together

African-American Spiritual

Let us break bread together on our knees;
Let us break bread together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;
Let us drink wine together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees;
Let us praise God together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Gracious, God, we thank you for the gift of the Holy Spirit in our midst healing and renewing our heart and providing nourishment for our soul. May we be strengthened to carry Christ's light, love and peace with us in all we do and say. Amen.

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

Black Hymnal No. 173

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*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 altar flowers this Sunday are in loving memory of
Della and George Bradstreet
Given by Bill and Adrienne Bradstreet*

*The steeple is lit this week in loving memory of
Bill Hayward
Given by Beverly Hayward and family*

Sunday's Servants:

Ushers: Linda & Dick Donovan

Deacon: Peggy Coyne

Scripture Reader: Judy Polagye

Stay Connected:

Morning Worship Service — Sundays at 10am

Our Sunday Morning Worship service features an in-person worship service at 10am in the Sanctuary that is also livestreamed on our social media platforms to viewers at home. You can watch the service live at 10am on our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/MapleStreetChurchWelcomes

on our website: **www.maplestreetchurch.org**

or watch courtesy of DCAT Public Access on Comcast 99 or Verizon 36.

Zoom Prayer & Table Worship — Tuesdays at 6pm

Zoom Bible Study — Thursdays at 12noon

Church Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9 am – 2 pm

**MSC Weekly Update: to find out about events and community programs,
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