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## WE GATHER AS THE BODY OF CHRIST

### **GREETING – Psalm 118: 24**

One: This is the day that the lord has made!

**All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

### **GATHERING MUSIC      THIS IS THE DAY #84**

This is the day, this is the day that our God has made, that our God has made;  
We will rejoice, we will rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day that our God has made, we will rejoice and be glad in it;

This is the day, this is the day that our God has made.

### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **SHARING THE PEACE**

#### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Put aside the distractions of this world's many gods,  
stand in awe before God's love,  
prepare to worship in sincerity and faithfulness.

**ALL: The Lord Jesus and his God, we will serve,  
and his voice we will trust and obey.  
that generations to come may know their God.**

One: Stand up and celebrate the good news this day  
so that others may set their hope in the living God.

**ALL: We will not hide our thanks and praise,  
but tell of the glorious deeds of the Lord  
and all the wonders God has done for us.**

**We hail you God's anointed, the long awaited One!  
Hail in the time appointed, your reign on earth begun!  
You come to break oppression, to set the captive free;  
To take away transgression, and rule in equity.**

**You shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth;  
And joy and hope, like flowers, spring in your path to birth.  
Before you on the mountains shall peace, the herald, go,  
and righteousness, in fountains, from hill to valley flow.**

**The wise shall bow before you and gold and incense bring;  
All nations shall adore you, and praise all peoples sing;  
To you shall prayer unceasing and daily vows be said,  
Your realm is still increasing, with you, O Christ, as head.**

**O'er every foe victorious, you on your throne shall rest;  
From age to age more glorious, all blessing and all blessed:  
The tide of time shall never your covenant remove;  
Your name shall stand for ever, your change-less name of Love.**

**\* UNISON PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**ALL: O God, you alone are our Judge. Send your Spirit of truth to expose our self-deception and challenge our complacency so that we may surrender to your mercy and follow your will. Show us how to let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. Create justice and righteousness in us, that all may rejoice in your blessings. through Jesus Christ our Liberator. Amen.**

**ALL: 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

## WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S STILL SPEAKING VOICE

### SCRIPTURE

#### Amos 1: 1-2; 5: 14-15, 21-24 New Revised Standard Version

The words of Amos, who was among the shepherds of Tekoa, which he saw concerning Israel in the days of King Uzziah of Judah and in the days of King Jeroboam son of Joash of Israel, two years before the earthquake.

And he said:

The Lord roars from Zion,  
and utters his voice from Jerusalem;  
the pastures of the shepherds wither,  
and the top of Carmel dries up.  
Seek good and not evil,  
that you may live;  
and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you,  
just as you have said.  
Hate evil and love good,  
and establish justice in the gate;  
it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts,  
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

I hate, I despise your festivals,  
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.  
Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,  
I will not accept them;  
and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals  
I will not look upon.  
Take away from me the noise of your songs;  
I will not listen to the melody of your harps.  
But let justice roll down like waters,  
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

One: God is still speaking

**ALL: Thanks be to God**

## SPECIAL MUSIC

MESSAGE

An Ever-Flowing Stream

Reverend Patty Dodds

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

HYMN

Let Justice Flow like Streams

#588

Let justice flow like streams of sparkling water, pure,  
Enabling growth, refreshing life, abundant, cleansing, sure.

Let righteousness roll on as others' care we heed,  
An ever flowing stream of faith translated into deed.

So may God's plumb line, straight, define our measure true,  
And justice, right, and peace pervade this world our whole life through.

## SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

## PRAYERS

### THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND OUR LIVES

One: We are called to love God with our whole heart and mind and strength.

**ALL: Called to love our neighbor as ourselves.**

One: We bring before God our gifts, our talents, our praise and prayers as a sign of that love. Let us pray for God's blessings on all our offerings.

**ALL: Loving God, accept all that we joyfully offer you this day. May we grow in faith and love that our whole lives might be a witness to your goodness. Amen**

**\*HYMN O For A World #575**

**O for a world where everyone respects each other's ways,  
Where love is lived and all is done with justice and with praise.**

**O for a world where goods are shared and misery relived,  
Where truth is spoken, children spared, equality achieved.**

**We welcome one world family and struggle with each choice  
That opens us to unity and gives our vision voice.**

**The poor are rich, the weak are strong, the foolish ones are wise.  
Tell all who mourn: outcasts belong, who perishes will rise.**

**O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace.  
Where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.**

**WE GO INTO THE WORLD AS THE BODY OF CHRIST**

**\*COMMISSION**

One: Now, go forth from this place with renewed inspiration to do the work of God.

**ALL: We will seek good, not evil, love goodness, and establish justice.**

One: Let us extend ourselves with love for our neighbors.

**ALL: Let us make this our offering: letting justice roll down like waters,  
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.**

One: Soon we will leave this building, but we are always the church, the body of Christ.

**ALL: We are the hands and feet of Jesus, carrying God's love and grace to  
the world.**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*SUNG BENEDICTION**

## **Worship Resources:**

Bruce Prewer, and posted on Bruce Prewer's Homepage.

Working Preacher website

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS :**

**This week's flowers donated by Mary Ibach "In memory of her mother Cecil L Matos"**

**Flowers also donated by The Hympsi's for "family Birthdays and in memory of Bud Gainer"**

**\*Pastor Patty will be on vacation this week November 15-21.** If you have any pastoral needs, please call Maryanne Price or any member of the Executive team who will contact the on-call pastor.

**As an outreach service we purchased 2 DVD players for Hershey Mill Home.** We would like to collect new or used DVDs to give them. (no R-rated please) You can give them to Katie Crockett. Any questions call Katie 7176847925

**Guild Fall Rummage Sale** will be held on November 19 from 8-2pm and November 20<sup>th</sup> from 8-12pm. There will also be a variety of soups for sale. Volunteers are needed! If interested in volunteering, please sign up in the Narthex.

**Come to Celebrate Christmas with your Trinity Guild friends on Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. Sandy Heisey will provide musical entertainment!**

**There will be no bible study this week as the Pastor is on vacation.**

**Come join us Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm for a Movie Night!**

**Our next Arts & Crafts Night will be December 9<sup>th</sup> from 6-9pm.** Bring your own craft or come to chat.

**Please consider helping with our worship. Ushers, Lay Readers, Sound/Video Volunteers are needed. Please sign up in the Narthex.**

**Saturday Dec 4 at 10am:** we will be decorating the church for Christmas - inside and out Please plan to come and lend a hand!

**Sunday December 12 - 4:30 - 6 pm (Drop in) Candles of Hope.** We will gather outside to light candles and offer prayers.

**Next Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup> scripture: Isaiah 9:1-7 NRSV**

**Please contact Pastor Patty** if you have any concerns or needs, or if you just need to talk. Phone: 570-506-0677, email: [Pastor@MountvilletrinityUCC.org](mailto:Pastor@MountvilletrinityUCC.org)

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