

David's UCC on June 13, 2021
Third Sunday after Pentecost
Online Worship Bulletin



Gathering Music – *Tim Williams and Lyn Morton*

Welcome – *Rev. Michelle Wilkey*

Call to Worship – (from the Religious Institute), *Steve Roark*

One: We are grateful for the gift of our lives and the gift of others in our lives.

Many: Each of us is created with dignity and worth.

One: We are called to love each other and to do nothing to others that we would find hateful to ourselves.

Many: We honor the many ways that people live and love.

One: We repent for the times when our faith traditions have named lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people unworthy.

Many: Love does not exclude. We are all worthy.

One: We suffer when LGBT persons are oppressed, excluded and shamed by religious people who overlook the fundamental call to justice in our scriptures.

Many: True justice flourishes when we can live with authenticity and integrity.

One: May we work to build a community where LGBT people are celebrated as full and equal members, recognizing their many gifts.

Many: We celebrate sexual and gender diversity as a blessing that enriches us all.

Invocation –

Children's Moment – *Jeff Baldwin & Steve Roark*

Announcements and Invitation for Support – www.davidsucc.org

Special Music –

"Arioso from Concerto in F Minor" J. S. Bach, arr. Weekley & Arganbright

Canticle: Psalm 20 (adapted from The Message)

One: May God answer you on the day you crash, the name God-of-Jacob put you out of harm's reach, send reinforcements from Holy Hill, dispatch from Zion fresh supplies, exclaim over your offerings, celebrate your sacrifices, give you what your heart desires, accomplish your plans.

Many: When you win, we plan to raise the roof and lead the parade with our banners.

One: May all your wishes come true!

Many: That clinches it—help’s coming, an answer’s on the way, everything’s going to work out.

One: See those people polishing their chariots, and those others grooming their horses? But we’re making garlands for God our God.

Many: The chariots will rust, those horses pull up lame—and we’ll be on our feet, standing tall.

One: Make the king a winner, God; the day we call, give us your answer.

Call to Confession –

Unison Prayer of Confession – **Ever-loving, ever living God, you have given us life itself and have asked us to be life-giving people in your name. But we, in turn, have cared more about ourselves and the comfort that we have than about your people in every place. There are people in our very presence who are left out of our thoughts and prayers because our minds and hearts are too crowded with all the things that will make us feel self-satisfied. The world aches for peace, while we proclaim power to be more important. People on our streets go hungry because we make sure that we are full before even thinking about them. God, give us the purpose that you gave to people of Jesus’ time: to be faithful disciples in your care. Through Christ we pray. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon –

Pastoral Prayer, Silent Prayers and Lord’s Prayer –

Hymn – “Hymn of Promise”

(Tim and Lyn will play while you sing, together, at home.)

- 1. In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree; in cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free! In the cold and snow of winter there’s a spring that waits to be, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.**
- 2. There’s a song in every silence, seeking word and melody; there’s a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me. From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.**
- 3. In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity; in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity. In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.**

Scripture –

Hebrew – 1 Samuel 16: 1 – 13

Gospel – Mark 4: 26 – 34

Sermon – “Maybe Next Time, You Will Estimate Me”

Benediction/fare thee well until next time –

Closing Music – “With Trumpets and Horns” from “Water Music” Handel,
arr. Gilbert M. Martin

Today’s Unison Prayer of Confession comes from “Touch Holiness,” Ed. by Ruth C. Duck and
Maren C. Tirabassi, 2012.

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