

Camping Sunday April 23, 2023

Welcoming and Announcements

Centring Video: UCC Camping Sunday 2023

Land Acknowledgement

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Opening Hymn: This Is the Day (More Voices 122)

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This is the day that God has made;
we will rejoice and be glad!
This is the day that God has made;
we will rejoice and be glad!
Singing hallelu, singing hallelu, singing hallelu!
We will rejoice and be glad!
Singing hallelu, singing hallelu, singing hallelu!
We will rejoice and be glad! *Repeat*

A Blessing of Camp

A Time to Wonder: “I Spy”

Sung Response: Hey Now! Singing Hallelujah!

(More Voices 121, v. 5)

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Hey now! Singing hallelujah!
The tomb was empty at the rising sun.

Jesus loves people and he lives again!
Hey now, the tomb was empty.
Calls us disciples and he calls us his friends.
Hey now, the tomb was empty.
Hey now! Singing hallelujah!
The tomb was empty at the rising sun.

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 13:1-8a

Choir Anthem: Come! Sing! Rejoice!

words and music by Jean Anne Shafferman

Video: “Why is Camp important to you?”

Reflection

Hymn of the Day: Draw the Circle Wide (More Voices 145)

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- Refrain* Draw the circle wide.
Draw it wider still.
Let this be our song,
no one stands alone,
standing side by side,
draw the circle wide.
1. God the still point of the circle,
'round whom all creation turns;
nothing lost but held forever,
in God's gracious arms. *Refrain*
 2. Let our hearts touch far horizons,
so encompass great and small;
let our loving know no borders,
faithful to God's call. *Refrain*

3. Let the dreams we dream be larger,
than we've ever dreamed before;
let the dream of Christ be in us,
open every door. *Refrain*

Invitation to Offering

Offering Prayer

**Loving God, you invite us to be joyful givers
and to care for others.
Bless these gifts we offer to you now. Amen.**

Sung Response: Ev'ry Day Is a Day of Thanksgiving
(More Voices 185)

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- 1 Ev'ry day is a day of Thanksgiving.
God, you've been so good to me.
Ev'ry day you're blessing me.
Ev'ry day is a day of thanksgiving.
I will glorify you, O my God, today! *Repeat*
- 2 You keep blessing me,
blessing me, blessing me.
You opened the door that
I might see, you're blessing me.
And you keep blessing me,
blessing me, blessing me.
I will glorify you, O my God, today! *Repeat*

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Parting Hymn: Go Make a Diff'ence (More Voices 209)

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Refrain Go make a diff'ence.
We can make a diff'ence.
Go make a diff'ence in the world.
Go make a diff'ence.
We can make a diff'ence,
Go make a diff'ence in the world.

- 1 We are the salt of the earth,
Called to let the people see
the love of God for you and me.
We are the light of the world,
Not to be hidden but be seen.
Go make a diff'ence in the world. *Refrain*
- 2 We are the hands of Christ
Reaching out to those in need,
The face of God for all to see.
We are the spirit of hope;
We are the voice of peace.
Go make a diff'ence in the world. *Refrain*
- 3 So let your love shine on,
let it shine for all to see.
Go make a diff'ence in the world.
And the spirit of Christ
will be with us as we go.
Go make a diff'ence in the world. *Refrain*

Benediction

Postlude: I've Got Peace like a River

Traditional American spiritual, arranged by Mark Hayes

Worship Leadership - Pastor Nancy Walker and Pastor Beth Parsons

Lighting of the Christ Candle – Alex Heim

Invitation to Offering – McKinley and Maelynn Taylor

Music Leadership - Sharon Prindle-Collins

Welcoming – Stephen Godfrey

Scripture Reading – Mary Jane Apcar

Greeters – Deanna Bertelsen and Christine Smith

Technical Support – Karen Clark and Bill Walker

Fellowship Time – Men's Breakfast Group

Flowers for the service are offered by Karen Clark
in celebration of the life of her father, Bill Angell.