



*Text printed in **BOLD** in the bulletin indicates that everyone is to read and/or sing. However, in our virtual space we ask that all but the readers and musicians remain muted – you can still read aloud and sing at home!*

### GATHERING TOGETHER

#### Welcome and Announcements

#### Musical Meditation

##### **\*Call to Worship<sup>1</sup>**

**One:** Holy are the moments that catch our breath, catch our attention, catch us off guard with the wonders of being alive.

**All: The surprises of God hearten and revive!**

**One:** God points us back to the riches of life before us. The world is pouring out blessings of beauty. Kinship and community enable lasting joy.

**All: The faithful gifts of God are simple and abundant.**

**One:** We gather to remember and to treasure every one.

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<sup>1</sup> M Barclay, "enfleshed: Liturgy That Matters," enfleshed, December 21, 2021, <https://enfleshed.com/>.

### **\*Opening Prayer**

**God of glory, God of joy, God of ordinary wonders, come and usher us toward life. Keep us from losing touch with the miracles all around us: The way love persists. The way the earth holds us. The way it's never too late for new beginnings. Make a way for us, back to the simple truths that sustain. Amen.**

### **HEARING THE WORD**

**First Bible Reading      1 Corinthians 12:1, 4-11**

**Special Music      *Angels, We Have Heard on High*      MUCC Instruments**

**The Good News      John 2:1-11**

**Time with Children      Rebecca Malke**

**Reflection      Living with Joy: Called to Delight      Pastor Kris**

### **SHARING OUR LIVES**

**Call to Prayer**

### **Prayers of the People**

*During our online worship service, we invite you to type your prayers in the comments section on your screen. Pastor Kris will collect the petitions and read them during the service. Know that prayers shared this day are public. If you have prayer request you would like to remain private, you may email them to: [pastorkris@memorialucc.org](mailto:pastorkris@memorialucc.org)*

### **Prayer of Jesus**

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

### **Offering<sup>2</sup>**

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<sup>2</sup> Adapted from M Barclay, "enfleshed: Liturgy That Matters," enfleshed, December 21, 2021, <https://enfleshed.com/>.

## **Offertory**

### **\*Doxology**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God, for all that love has done;  
Creator, Christ and Spirit, One. Amen.*

### **\*Prayer of Dedication**

God, your delight in us is a healing grace. Every day, we hold so much. There is worry here. There are silent struggles. There are needs unmet. In the heart of everything difficult, your love is a constant. For all that enables rest and freedom and the comfort of collective care, we bring our gifts with thanks. Amen.

## **GOING OUT TO THE WORLD**

**\*Song for Going Out #4 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You<sup>3</sup>**    verses 1 & 2

Joyful, joyful, we adore you, God of glory, God of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before you, opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the storms of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All your works with joy surround you,  
Earth and heaven reflect your rays,  
Stars and angels sing around you, center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird & flowing fountain, teach us what our praise should be.

## **Benediction**

## **Postlude**

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## **Stay and Connect**

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<sup>3</sup> Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824; Adapt. Adapt. and harm. Edward Hodges, 1846;  
*New Century Hymnal* #4.

Following today's service, you are invited to stay for conversation. All you need to do is to stay "in" Zoom as the service ends (don't click "leave meeting"). We will break into small groups that will last about 15 minutes. At the beginning of the breakout, introduce yourself, share how you are doing and/or share where you have seen God this week.

**Worship Leaders:** Jonathan Schroerlucke (Dir. of Music), Jeff Darwin (Pianist), Rebecca Malke (Dir. of Faith Development), Christina Schoenwetter (Pastoral Intern), and Pastor Kris

**Readers:** Jill Carlson and Sonjia Short

**Virtual Usher:** Steve Gorton

**Media Room:** Jordan Baumgart

**Camera Tech:** Zac Johnson

**Music Video Editor:** Michael Bryant

**Health Resource Nurse:** Frances Mozer, LPN

### **Giving Options—Ever-Widening Opportunities**

Checks can be mailed directly to the church or dropped off during our morning office hours Tuesday through Friday. Indicate in the memo line whether the giving is to Memorial operating costs or help to our community wide nonprofit partners. Memorial UCC also offers an opportunity for you to give via PayPal! You can give securely via charge card, debit card, and direct withdrawal donations. Giving online through PayPal is fast and secure, and you do not even need to have a PayPal account to use the service to make one-time or recurring donations. Visit [memorialucc.org](http://memorialucc.org) and click on the "donate" button in the lower, right-hand corner to make your gift.

We understand that the pandemic impacts each of us in unique ways. Thank you to those who regularly give electronically. For those that are able please continue your pledge and non-pledge giving. Checks can be mailed directly to the church. Indicate in the memo line whether the giving is to Memorial operating costs or help to our community wide nonprofit partners. If you are interested in our monthly automatic withdrawal system, please email Cathy Halpin at [halpincjo@gmail.com](mailto:halpincjo@gmail.com) and she will get you signed up.



## TEACHERS NEEDED FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

As soon as we are safely able, Sunday school will resume for children and youth in 5K - 9th grade. For most families it'll have been two years since they've been able to return to church. While parents are

getting spiritual nourishment during the service, children will be learning and of course, having fun in the classroom. If you're interested in teaching for 45 minutes on a Sunday (not every Sunday), email our director of faith development, Rebecca Malke.

### **Common Concerns About Teaching:**

*I'm going to miss out on church services!*

Sunday school begins right before the reflection so you're still able to gather with people before, during and after the church service. With our services now being recorded you can go to the church YouTube channel to hear the reflection and see the rest of the service. And again, you're not needed every Sunday.

*I don't know enough to teach!*

You're given a step by step guide on what and how to teach. Most people say that they've learned more about the Bible and their faith now that they've taught Sunday school than they ever have before!

*There's too much preparation and I'll be doing it alone!*

Memorial's safe sanctuary policy requires two adults to be in a classroom at all times so you'll always have a co-teacher. Work can be divided up between the two of you as in one reads the story or shows the video while the other one prepares the activity. Preparation for the class doesn't require a lot of time. You're expected to go over the lesson beforehand and familiarize yourself but that usually doesn't take more an hour each week.

Still have concerns or questions? Contact Rebecca!

## **GREEN TEAM**

Radon, an odorless, tasteless, unseen gas found naturally in the ground is the leading cause of lung cancer amongst nonsmokers and the second leading cause amongst smokers. Because of this and the fact that one out of every ten homes in Wisconsin have high radon levels, Governor Tony Evers proclaimed January to be National Radon Action month.

Thanks to a generous donation by the Jetzer family, you can test for radon for free! Stop by the church during office hours to check out a radon tester. Once done you can bring it back for others to use. Thank you, Kelly and Bill!

## **ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT**

With COVID-19 things are constantly changing but the need for faith development is a constant need. As we begin a new year, I want to know what your needs are when it comes to your faith development. Please fill out a brief survey (link can be found in the enews) to help me form programs that will fit your needs. Thank you!

Rebecca Malke, Director of Faith Development

## **POINSETTIAS**

If you sponsored a plant, it is yours to take, and you are encouraged to do so at your convenience. The church office is open Tuesday-Friday from 9 am to noon. If you don't plan on taking your plant home, please contact the church office and leave a message to that effect. We will try to find your plant a warm home.