



Pilgrim Congregational Church, UCC
Sunday Worship — May 3, 2026

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— Benn Cole
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— Leon Boellmann

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Today's service will be recorded.

WORSHIP — MAY 3, 2026
INTERGENERATIONAL & COMMUNION SUNDAY

PRELUDE

When I am Baptized — Benn Cole

GREETINGS

Rev. Reebee Girash

BAPTISM

INVITATION

BAPTISM QUESTIONS

PRAYER OF BAPTISM

ACT OF BAPTISM

THE CONGREGATION'S PLEDGE

We receive and welcome Cassandra Alice as a new person in Christ. We rejoice in her presence among us, and we support you, her parents, in the covenant which you have made on her behalf. We enfold Cassandra Alice in our love, praying that she will always accept the grace that she has received in baptism, and that together, with her, we shall grow in faith and love.

***HYMN**

I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry — New Century Hymnal 351

I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry

John Ylvisaker, 1985; alt

Unison

1 I was there to hear your born - ing cry, I'll be
 2 When you found the won - der of the Word, I was
 3 In the mid - dle a - ges of your life, not too
 4 I was there to hear your born - ing cry, I'll be

there when you are old. I re - joiced the day you
 there to cheer you on; You were raised to praise the
 old, no long - er young, I'll be there to guide you
 there when you are old. I re - joiced the day you

were bap - tized, to see your life un - fold.
 liv - ing God, to whom you now be - long.
 through the night, com - plete what I've be - gun.
 were bap - tized, to see your life un - fold. *St. 4, end*

I was there when you were but a child, with a
 Should you find some-one to share your time and you
 When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you

faith to suit you well; I'll be there in case you
 join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your
 shut your wea - ry eyes, I'll be there as I have

G A7 D to beginning

wan - der off and find where de - mons dwell.
 vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun.
 al - ways been with just one more sur - prise.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Steve Van Evera

ONE: Peace be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

ONE: Let us share the peace of Christ with one

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 12:3-8

Steve Van Evera

³ For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴ For as in one body we have many members and not all the members have the same function, ⁵ so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶ We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸ the encourager, in encouragement; the giver, in sincerity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

ONE: The Word of God for the people of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Now the Green Blade Riseth — Ethan DePuy

REFLECTIONS

Rev. Reebee Girash

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Reebee Girash

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Rev. Reebee Girash

OFFERTORY

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise — Ronald S. Cole-Turner

*DOXOLOGY

Pilgrim Hymnal 515

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen

OR

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Reebee Girash

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*COMMUNION HYMN Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ — New Century Hymnal 347

THE SERVICE OF COMMUNION

Our service of communion is open to all who wish to participate. The sacrament is a gift from God, and all are welcome to receive it.

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Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

Luke 10:1-9

Fred Kaan, 1975; alt.

C F G Dm G C G

1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em-ploy, reach-ing out with a shout of joy:
 2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at his ta - ble he set the tone,
 3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,

C F G Dm7 C G C

bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
 teach-ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.
 gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im-man - u - el) ev - ery-where!

Refrain (first time *p*, second time *f*)

C C7 F Dm G C F C

Je-sus lives a-gain, earth can breathe a-gain, pass the Word a-round: loaves a-bound!

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father (Creator), who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kindom 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 temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kindom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

COMMUNION MUSIC

UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**O Christ, we thank you for this feast of life.
Fed by your love, and strengthened by your life;
we humbly accept your call to go into this world to live with hope, and to share your joy.
You commission us to feed as we have been fed,
forgive as we have been forgiven, and love as we have been loved.
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

*CLOSING HYMN

Lord of All Hopefulness — Pilgrim Hymnal 217

Jan Strulher, 1901-1953

SLANE 10.11.11.12.

Traditional Irish Melody

Harm. by David Evans, 1874-1948

In unison

1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
 2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
 3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
 4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,

Whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy,
 Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
 Your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace,
 Whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm,

Be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray, Your
 Be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray, Your
 Be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray, Your
 Be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray, Your

bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
 strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
 love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
 peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day. A - men.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Reebee Girash & Sarah Jane Fuller

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Menuet Gothique — Leon Boellmann

**Please be in a posture of praise.*

Please join us for social time after worship.

Thank you to Steve Van Evera for leading Worship and hosting coffee hour and to Mia M for hosting Zoom.

SOURCE NOTES

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