



**Pilgrim Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
Summer Worship | August 13, 2023**

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♪ PRELUDE: Sonata Opus 26 Andante
con Variazioni Variation III, IV, V —
Ludwig van Beethoven

♪ HYMN: When Morning Gilds the Skies*

♪ OFFERTORY: Great is Thy Faithfulness
— arr. Larry Shackley

♪ HYMN: Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

**From The New Century Hymnal, Copyright 1995.*

Today's service will be recorded.



PILGRIM
Congregational Church



**Welcome to Pilgrim Congregational Church,
United Church of Christ
A Welcoming, Open and Affirming Congregation**

Statement of Welcome

We honor the Biblical call to love one another as God first loved us. We welcome into the full life and ministry of the church all people of any race, nationality, religious background, educational background, ethnicity, age, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, economic status, and physical, mental, and emotional abilities.

Mission Statement

*A welcoming home to all
spiritual seekers
Making a difference in our world,
By fusing our Christian faith with
everyday life and Serving God by serving others.*

Children at Pilgrim

Children are an important part of our worshipping community. We try to make them feel at home!

All are welcome. Professional childcare for infants and toddlers is available in the nursery from 10:15 to the end of the service.

Please note: The video of this service is posted online. If you prefer not to be filmed, please sit near the rear of the sanctuary.

Visual and Hearing Aids

Hearing devices may be picked up from the table in the narthex.

Large Print bulletins and Sermons texts are available.

Pilgrim Congregational Church, UCC
AUGUST 13, 2023 SERVICE OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

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WELCOME, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Jesus said: Love one another.

All: We come to worship God who is love, that we may learn to love one another.

One: Jesus said: No longer do I call you servants, now I call you my friends.

All: We come to worship God, whose friend we are in Christ.

One: Let us sing praises to God,

All: And live in love and friendship, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

*HYMN

When Morning Gilds the Skies – Black Hymnal 86

CALL TO PRAYER

One: Christ is with us.

All: Christ is in our midst.

One: Let us pray.

When Morning Gilds the Skies

Ps. 5:3; 59:16-17

Katholisches Gesangbuch, 1828
Transl. Edward Caswall, 1854; alt.

1 When morn - ing gilds the skies, my heart a - wak - ing cries,
 2 New strength comes night or day when from the heart we say,
 3 Dis - cor - dant hu - man - kind, in this your con - cord find,
 4 Be this, while life is mine, my can - ti - cle di - vine,

may Je - sus Christ be praised! A - like at work and prayer,
 may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let sin and e - vil fear,
 may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let all the earth a - round
 may Je - sus Christ be praised! Be this the e - ter - nal song,

one pur - pose I de - clare: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 when this sweet chant they hear: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 ring joy - ous with the sound: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 through all the a - ges long: may Je - sus Christ be praised!

This anonymous German Catholic hymn was translated to English by Edward Caswall, an Anglican—and later, Roman Catholic—priest. Among the scripture references is Psalm 5:3, “O God, in the morning you hear my voice. . . .”

Tune: LAUDES DOMINI 6.6.6.6.6.6.
Joseph Barnby, 1868

1 When morning gilds the skies,
my hearts awaking cries,
may Jesus Christ be praised!

Alike at work and prayer,
one purpose I declare:
may Jesus Christ be praised!

2 New strength comes night or day,
when from the heart we say,
may Jesus Christ be praised!
Let sin and evil fear,
when this sweet chant they hear:
may Jesus Christ be praised!

3 Discordant human-kind,
in this your concord find,
may Jesus Christ be praised!
Let all the earth around
ring joyous with the sound:
may Jesus Christ be praised!

4 Be this, while life is mine,
my canticle divine,
may Jesus Christ be praised!
Be this the eternal song,

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Wondrous God, you touch our lives with healing and justice; new life is your gift. We praise you for the Good News which is ours through Jesus Christ. May this time of worship nourish us with your promise of meaning and purpose. May we be empowered to carry your goodness into the coming week. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

SCRIPTURE

MEDITATION

CALL TO PRAYER

One: God be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us pray.

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERTORY

Great is Thy Faithfulness — arr. Larry Shackley

*DOXOLOGY

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.

or

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN

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Sent Forth by God's Blessing

Omer Westendorf, 1964

Descant

2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er liv - ing, the

Unison

1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, our true faith con - fess - ing, the
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er liv - ing, the

tasks of - our ev - ery - day life we will face. Our faith ev - er

peo - ple of God from this dwell-ing take leave. The ser - vice is
tasks of our ev - ery - day life we will face. Our faith ev - er

shar-ing, in love ev - er car - ing, em - brac - ing God's chil-dren of

end-ed, O now be ex - tend-ed the fruits of our wor-ship in
shar-ing, in love ev - er car - ing, em - brac - ing God's chil-dren of

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each tribe and race. With your grace you feed us, with

all who be - lieve. The seed of the teach - ing, re -
each tribe and race. With your grace you feed us, with

your light now lead us, u - nite us as one in this

cep - tive hearts reach-ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for
your light now lead us, u - nite us as one in this

life that we share. Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks -

God and for all. God's grace did in - vite us, and love shall u -
life that we share. Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks -

giv - ing give hon - or to Christ and that name which we bear.

nite us to work for God's realm and to an - swer the call.
giv - ing give hon - or to Christ and that name which we bear.

1 Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,
the people of God from this dwelling take leave.

The service is ended, O, now be extended
the fruits of our worship in all who believe.

The seed of the teaching, receptive hearts reaching,
shall blossom in action for God and for all.

God's grace did invite us, and love shall unite us
to work for God's realm and to answer the call.

2 With praise and thanksgiving to God ever-living,
the tasks of our everyday life we will face.

Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,
embracing God's children of each tribe and race.

With your grace you feed us, with your light now lead us;
unite us as one in this life that we share.

Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving
give honor to Christ and that name which we bear.

***UNISON BENEDICTION**

**Go forth, for the love of God is ours to share, The peace of Christ is ours to extend,
And the power of the Holy Spirit is ours to offer. Amen.**

***CLOSING RESPONSE**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

* Please rise in spirit or body.

*A special Thank You to our Musician, Dorothy Bowe, our Lay
Leader, Duncan Todd and our Zoom Host, Doug Johnston*

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