



Pilgrim Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
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- **PRELUDE:** Sonata Opus 7: Allegro molto e con brio - L. Beethoven
- **OPENING HYMN:** Enter, Rejoice and Come In*
- **MUSICAL OFFERTORY:** Make Me a Channel of Your Peace - Jane Holstein
- **CLOSING HYMN:** Precious Lord, Take My Hand*
- **CLOSING RESPONSE:** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

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Today's service will be recorded.

Welcome to Pilgrim Congregational Church, UCC
An Open and Affirming Congregation
AUGUST 18, 2024 SERVICE OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Sonata Opus 7: Allegro molto e con brio - L. Beethoven

WELCOME, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Steve Van Evera

ONE: We have been called the salt of the earth.

ALL: Let us remain distinctive and salty.

ONE: We have been called the light of the world.

ALL: Let us shine brightly in the midst of pain and confusion.

ONE: We have been called a city set on a hill.

ALL: Let us lift our gates, lift our hearts, and lift our voices in the praise of God.

Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

Enter, Rejoice and Come In - Black Hymnal 73

Enter, Rejoice, and Come In

73

Louise Ruspini; alt.

Ps. 100

Unison C FM7 C C7 FM7 Dm7 G7 C

1 En - ter, re - joice, and come in. En - ter, re - joice, and come in.
2 O - pen your - self to the song. O - pen your - self to the song.
3 O - pen your hearts ev - ery - one. O - pen your hearts ev - ery - one.
4 Don't be a - fraid of some change. Don't be a - fraid of some change.
5 En - ter, re - joice, and come in. En - ter, re - joice, and come in.

C7 FM7 Dm7 G7 C F Em7 A7 Dm7sus4 Dm7 G7 C

To - day will be a joy - ful day; en - ter, re - joice, and come in.

Detailed description: This is a musical score for a unison song. It features a treble and bass clef staff in 4/4 time. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The score includes five verses of lyrics. Above the first staff, there are chord symbols: C, FM7, C, C7, FM7, Dm7, G7, and C. Above the second staff, there are chord symbols: C7, FM7, Dm7, G7, C, F, Em7, A7, Dm7sus4, Dm7, G7, and C. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

- 1 Enter, rejoice, and come in. Enter, rejoice, and come in.
Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.
- 2 Open yourself to the song. Open yourself to the song.
Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.
- 3 Open your hearts everyone. Open your hearts everyone.
Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.
- 4 Don't be afraid of some change. Don't be afraid of some change.
Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.
- 5 Enter, rejoice, and come in. Enter, rejoice, and come in.
Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

CALL TO PRAYER

ONE: Christ is with us.

ALL: Christ is in our midst.

ONE: Let us pray.

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

God, Father and Mother of us all, we adore you, whose name is love. We, your children, ask your blessing, for your nature is compassion, your presence joy. Your Word is truth, your Spirit goodness. Your holiness is beauty, your will is peace. Your service is perfect freedom, and we thank you for it all. Amen.

THE 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

Steve Van Evera

MEDITATION

CALL TO PRAYER

One: God be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us pray.

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERTORY

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace - Jane Holstein

*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

We are on a journey, God. A journey toward you. A journey alongside you.

These offerings are landmarks on the road, arrows pointing toward your kingdom, signs that we will keep moving closer to your heart.

Bless these gifts, and our pilgrimage toward you. Amen.

*HYMN

Precious Lord, Take My Hand - Black Hymnal 472

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

472

Thomas A. Dorsey, 1932; alt.

1 Pre-cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
2 When my way grows drear, pre-cious Lord, lin-ger near,
3 When the shad - ows ap - pear and the night draws near,

I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
when my life is al - most gone,
and the day is past and gone,

Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light:
Hear me cry, hear my call, hold my hand, lest I fall:
At the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand:

Refrain
Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.

1 Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on,
let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
Through the storm, through the night, lead
me on to the light:
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

2 When my way grows drear, precious Lord,
linger near,
when my life is almost gone,
Hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand,
lest I fall:
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

3 When the shadows appear and the night
draws near,
and the day is past and gone,
At the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my
hand:
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

***UNISON BENEDICTION**

**Let us go and join Christ in the world,
healing and speaking words of freedom,
witnessing to the sacred in the midst of life,
and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

***CLOSING RESPONSE**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

* Please rise in spirit or body.

Thank you to our speaker, Steve Van Evera.

