

Hadwen Park Congregational Church, UCC

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July 18, 2021 10:00 am

VBS Celebration

**rise in body or spirit*

Please shut off cell phones and refrain from texting as we worship God this hour.

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL to WORSHIP

from Touch Holiness

Leader: Come, let us worship Almighty God

People: Let us lift up our songs, our prayers, our praises

Leader: Come, let us honor Christ Jesus

People: Let us love Christ with our hearts, our minds, our spirits

Leader: Come, let us be filled with the Spirit of the Living God

People: Breathe in us, Breath of God. Alleluia!

PRAYER of INVOCATION

*GATHERING SONG

"Rise and Shine"

see insert

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 60: 1-5

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

ANTHEM

HPC Choir

PRAYER of CONFESSION

from Touch Holiness

Christ Jesus, we have lived as if we did not need you, pretending that life is what we make it. In those exceptional moments of openness when we received the gift of faith, we have assumed it was given for ourselves alone. Awaken us by your Spirit to fuller dimensions of faith. Lead us to find in our neighbors the opportunities for love, in the social order the possibilities for justice, and in the affairs of nations the potential for peace. Reform our attitudes and behavior until in every circumstance we may, by your grace, be the instruments of your saving Word.
Amen

SILENT INTROSPECTION

CONFESSION RESPONSE

Jesus loves me, this I know. For the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong. They are weak but Jesus is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

CHILDRENS STORY

Pastor Judy

VBS SONG

I am a Promise

Chorus:

I am a promise, I am a possibility

I am a promise, with a capital P

I am a great big bundle of potentiality

And I am learning to hear God's voice

And I am trying to make the right choice

I'm a promise to be anything God wants me to be

I can go anywhere that God wants me to go

I can be anything that God wants me to be

I can climb the high mountains

I can cross the White Sea

I am a great big promise you see

Chorus

GOSPEL READING

Luke 15: 1-10

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in

the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. "Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SERMON

Pastor Sarah

CHORAL RESPONSE

I am a C

I am a C-H

I am a C-H-R-I-S-T-I-A-N

and I have C-H-R-I-S-T

in my H-E-A-R-T

and I will L-I-V-E E-T-E-R-N-A-L-L-Y (Three times, speed up each time)

PRAYER REQUESTS, PASTORAL PRAYER and LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

"Jesus Love is Bubbling Over"

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all creatures here below;

Praise Holy Spirit, The Comforter

One God Triune, whom we adore. Amen.

*PARTING SONG

"Father Abraham"

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

**"One in love, one in friendship true,
one in hope, one in spirit too, one in faith that God will care for you,
until we meet together again."**

Hadwen Park Congregational Church

United Church of Christ



Welcome to Hadwen Park Congregational Church,
United Church of Christ!

We believe that all people of every age, physical or mental ability, body image, race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, social-economic background, family construct, and faith tradition are equal in the eyes of God and this congregation.

When entering our sanctuary, you will be greeted with a smile, an extended hand, and feel the love of Christ surrounding you.

Here you are a stranger, but once.

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Rise and Shine

Chorus:

Rise and shine and give God your glory, glory!

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Rise and shine and (*clap once*) give God your glory, glory!

(*Raise hands to shoulder level and sway back and forth.*)

Children of the Lord.

The Lord said to Noah, "There's gonna be a floody, floody."

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"Get those children (*clap once*) out of the muddy, muddy!"

Children of the Lord.

So Noah, he built him, he built him an arky, arky.

Noah, he built him, he built him an arky, arky.

Made it out of (*clap once*) hickory barky, barky.

Children of the Lord.

The animals, they came on, they came on by twosies, twosies.

The animals, they came on, they came on by twosies, twosies.

Elephants and (*clap once*) kangaroosies, roosies.

Children of the Lord.

Chorus

It rained, and poured, for forty daysies, daysies.

Rained, and poured, for forty daysies, daysies.

Nearly drove those (*clap once*) animals crazy, crazy.

Children of the Lord.

The sun came out and dried up the landy, landy.

Sun came out and dried up the landy, landy.

Everything was (*clap once*) fine and dandy, dandy.

Children of the Lord.

Chorus

Father Abraham

Father Abraham had many kids, many kids had Father Abraham

I am one of them and so are you

So let's just praise the Lord

Right arm

Father Abraham had many kids, many kids had Father Abraham

I am one of them and so are you

So let's just praise the

Father Abraham had many kids, many kids had Father Abraham

I am one of them and so are you

So let's just praise the Lord

Right arm, left arm, right foot

Father Abraham had many kids, many kids had Father Abraham

I am one of them and so are you

So let's just praise the Lord

Right arm, left arm, right foot, left foot

Father Abraham had many kids, many kids had Father Abraham

I am one of them and so are you

So let's just praise the Lord

Right arm, left arm, right foot, left foot, chin up

Father Abraham had many kids, many kids had Father Abraham

I am one of them and so are you

So let's just praise the Lord

Right arm, left arm, right foot, left foot

Chin up, Chin down

Father Abraham had many kids, many kids had Father Abraham

I am one of them and so are you

So let's just praise the Lord

Right arm, left arm, right foot, left foot

Chin up, chin down, turn around

Father Abraham had many kids, many kids had Father Abraham

I am one of them and so are you

So let's just praise the Lord

Right arm, left arm, right foot, left foot

Chin up, chin down, turn around, sit down!