Welcome to University Church

A Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and
United Church of Christ Congregation

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ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* David Paxton
Charles T. Hayes, organ

Call to Worship & Invocation

Opening Hymn *#12* *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

1 I sing the mighty power of God
that made the mountains rise,
That spread the flowing seas abroad,
and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained
the sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at God's command,
and all the stars obey.

2 I sing the goodness of our God
that filled the earth with food;
God formed the creatures with a word,
and then pronounced them good.
Oh, how your wonders are displayed,
wherever I turn my eye:
If I survey the ground I tread,
or gaze upon the sky!

3 On earth there's not a plant or flower
but makes your glories known.
The clouds arise and spread their showers
by order from your throne.
All life is but a gift from you
and ever in your care;
Wherever people gather, you,
O God, are present there.

Ministry of Music *My Lord, What a Morning (Spiritual)* Burleigh
Jeanine Howard, soprano

Passing the Peace

Welcome & Announcements

Affirmation of Faith

Offering #474 *I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me*

1 I'm so glad Jesus lifted me.
I'm so glad Jesus lifted me.
I'm so glad Jesus lifted me,
singing glory, hallelujah, Jesus lifted me!

2 Satan had me bound; Jesus lifted me.
Satan had me bound; Jesus lifted me.
Satan had me bound; Jesus lifted me,
singing glory, hallelujah, Jesus lifted me!

3 When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me.
When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me.
When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me,
singing glory, hallelujah, Jesus lifted me!

Benevolence Offering

Prayers of the People

Sing Together: *O Lord, hear my prayer…when I call answer me.*
O Lord, hear my prayer…come and listen to me.

Ministry of Music *I've Been in the Storm So Long (Spiritual)* Burleigh
Jeanine Howard, soprano

Scripture *Matthew 8:23-27*

23 Then he got into the boat, and his disciples followed him. 24 Suddenly a furious storm
came up on the lake, so that the waves swept over the boat. But Jesus was sleeping. 25 The
disciples went and woke him, saying, "Lord, save us! We're going to drown!" 26 He replied,
"You of little faith, why are you so afraid?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the
waves, and it was completely calm. 27 The men were amazed and asked, "What kind of
man is this? Even the winds and the waves obey him!"

Sermon *Safe In The Storm* Allen Reynolds

Silent Reflection

Communion

Closing Hymn *#52* *There Is a Name I Love to Hear*

1 There is a name I love to hear,
I love to sing its worth;
it sounds like music in my ear,
the sweetest name on earth.

Refrain:
O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,

because he first loved me!

2 It tells me of a Savior's love,
who died to set me free;
it tells me of his precious blood,
the sinner's perfect plea. [Refrain]

3 It tells of one whose loving heart
can feel my deepest woe;
who in each sorrow bears a part
that none can bear below. [Refrain]

Benediction

Congregational Response

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

The Lord bless you and keep you, and make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you, and give you peace. The Lord bless you and keep you, and make her face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you, and give you peace, and give you peace.

FOR PARENTS: A nursery is available on our 2nd floor (Rm. 21)

SACRED CIRCLE (ages 3-8) **AND YOUTH CHURCH** (ages 8+) will meet in the library right after Benevolence Offering.

JOIN US FOR SOCIAL HOUR in the dining room for coffee, tea, and light snacks. Thank you to today's host: **Darryl Thompson**

THIS WEEK | August 16-22

TODAY	**No Meetings today**
TUES. 18	**God Talk**, 7:30-8:30pm, via Zoom
WED. 19	**Qigong**, 10-11am, dining room

UCHURCH RESALE SHOP next sale dates are Friday, **September 4th** 10am-5pm and Saturday, **September 5th** from 10am-3pm. We are looking for volunteers to help clean up after the sale is over on Saturday! Clean up takes about an hour. For more information, please call the office at 773.363.8142

THE MESSENGER, University Church's electronic newsletter, is sent monthly by editor Stephanie Weaver. If you are not on the email list and would like to be, please contact the office. News and announcements are due the second Sunday of each month and can be emailed to wnweaver@sbcglobal.net(**Next deadline: September 13**)

CHICAGO WHITE SOX VS DETROIT TIGERS

Join us on Sunday, **September 20** for a baseball game! The game starts at 1:10pm. If you want to join us at the game, you can grab your tickets online! Our members will be sitting in the rows listed below, so try to pick a seat nearby. If you have any questions, just reach out to Valerie Lilley at (309) 360-6095.
Sec BOX 524, Row 4, Seats 1-6
Sec BOX 524, Row 5, Seats 1-6

God Talk is on **Tuesday evenings** from **7:30-8:30pm** on Zoom. Join us for our Spring session *"Why do Jesus followers believe THAT?"* Paul and Romans. The link is on church website calendar (uchurchchi.org). God Talk is open to all who are inquisitive, curious, uncertain, and always wondering about all things spiritual and biblical. You might not get answers, but you'll have good conversation and discussion!

Join Charlie Havens for **Community Resilient Qigong** — a gentle, accessible practice of movement, breath, and awareness that strengthens personal vitality and community resilience. Sessions meet every **Wednesday** from **10–11 AM** in the dining room. Free and open to all — drop-ins always welcome. **Together we practice resilience now, so our community can meet what comes with balance, energy, and hope.**

First Annual "***Notes in Summer***" Concert with Sean Harris
Sunday, **August 30th** from 3-5 pm, Cost: $20

- PianoForte Studios
- 1335 South Michigan Ave
  Chicago, IL 60605

https://events.humanitix.com/first-annual-notes-in-summer-concert-with-sean-harris

Please send calendar events, prayer requests, and announcements for the bulletin and/or website to: uchurch@universitychurchchicago.org **Thursdays** at **1:00pm** is the deadline for bulletin news and events.

Please take note of the **SUMMER OFFICE HOURS** thru Labor Day.
As always, please reach out to us if you have any questions or needs.
Monday**: 10am–4pm**
Tuesday: **OFFICE CLOSED**
Wednesday**: 9am-12pm**
Thursday**: 9am–2pm**
Friday**: OFFICE CLOSED**

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