BROOKSIDE Congregational Church Room to Grow, to Serve, for You.



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*Please Stand *Youth go Directly to Spiritual Art

PRELUDE WELCOME

Ave Verum; Mozart

Chancel Choir

The **flowers** this morning are given in loving memory of Hope Pearson by Sarah and Bob Merrill and Carl Pearson.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The God who frees us invites us to worship and welcomes

our loyal response.

People: The heavens and all the saints are telling the glory of

God.

Leader: God is present with us, eager to help us deepen our faith.

Our Creator is here to break bread and join us at the

communion table.

People: We are ready to expand our faith and listen to God's

word.

Leader: May our awe before God be like a small seed that when

watered and fed, grows into a guiding light.

People: Let us be the church at worship.

OPENING PRAYER

We confess O God, that we are people of the flesh more than of your Spirit. We admit our resentment when some people we deem unworthy, benefit from your generosity. We don't pay close attention to your living Word, and we neglect to welcome your loving Spirit. On this World Communion Sunday, we pray for forgiveness, and offer ourselves as your loyal children who eat and drink together in the harmony of your Holy Communion. AMEN

*HYMN In the Midst of New Dimensions (vs 1-3) N 391

SCRIPTURE Luke 17:5-6 Jane Sherwin The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

2 Timothy 1:3-7

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you.

For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

SERMON A Spirit of Love Rev. Laura

OFFERTORY Glory, Glory Hallelujah; Staples Chancel Choir

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God for all that love has done:

Creator, Christ, and Spirit One.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(Children are invited to join us)

INVITATION Let Us Break Bread Together

COMMUNION PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN Standing in the Need of Prayer N 519

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE O When the Saints; American Traditional

Special thanks to Luke Moss who is performing with us on drums today.

Deacon of the Week: Christina Alvarez and Kim Wertz Spirit Squad: VanAmburg Family and Lorinda Latva

Reader: Jane Sherwin





Please Remember in Prayer

Ruth Bodge Carolyn Monday
Peter B. Anna O'Donnell
Little Chicagan

Judith Chiasson Rachel Fred K. Stacy

Jean Mijal Kim Woodruff

Brookside's sponsor children: Eben Gulo and Praise Mupaahlwa ~ Sakubva Church, UCC – the center candle celebrates our Ukama Partnership since 1996 ~

(Prayer requests will be printed in the bulletin for a three-week period)

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Active Threat Training Today

Steven Cooper from the New Hampshire Department of Homeland Security will offer training at Brookside today.

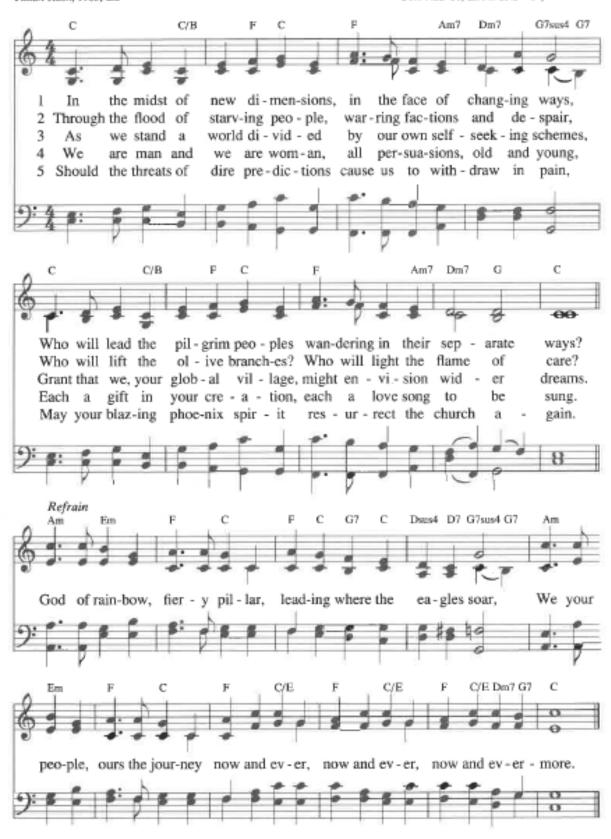
Registration: 11:30 am Training: Noon to 3:00 pm

<u>Please note:</u> On Sunday, October 9th there will be no rehearsals for Junior Jam or Wee Singers.

In the Midst of New Dimensions

Julian Rush, 1985; alt.

Gen. 9:12-16; Exod. 13:21-22; Num. 14:14



Not My Brother, nor My Sister

(Standing in the Need of Prayer)

