

# *Faith United Church of Christ*

An Open and Affirming Congregation

No Matter who you are, or where you are in life's journey,  
You are welcome here!

November 17, 2019

Sacred Fellowship 10:45 AM

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost



\*stand as you are able

**Prelude** "Just as I Am" W. Bradbury,

arr. H. Colvin

## **Pastoral Welcome**

Come to me all of you who are weary and I will give you rest. - Jesus

## **Announcements**

### **Call to Worship**

Leader: Child of God, you are welcome here.

**People: We gather with our siblings, sustained by the faith of Christ.**

L: Child of God, you are called.

**P: Our hope is in God's light, working together to build the Kingdom of Heaven.**

Child of God, you are loved.

**May God's love always fill us to overflowing, sustaining our Spirits. Amen.**

**\*Prayer of Confession**

God of amazing grace, we give of ourselves in service and offer our treasures because your grace has moved our lives. Our talents come from you, Oh God, and so we give them back in service to the community. Yet, sometimes we are deceived in thinking that what we have is our own and sometimes we have forgotten that we are called to serve our neighbors. There are times when we focus on what we don't have instead of the abundance of what we do have. Our faith is not in earthly possessions, but our faith is in you our God, our faithful Creator.

Help us to trust you and help us to give in service to others. May our giving be a blessing to others. Amen.

*Moment of Silence for Personal Reflection*

**\*Promise of New Life**

God has called you by name. Each of us belong in God's everlasting love. The forgiveness of Christ is yours and the peace that passes all understanding will be your guide. Live with peace with one another in service to one another through Christ's love.

**\*Sung Response**

*Come and Find the Quiet Center*

Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead,  
Find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed:  
Clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see  
All the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

**\*Sharing Christ's Peace**

L: The Peace of Christ be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

(As a sign of our reconciliation with God and with one another greet and welcome those around you and share "the peace of Christ." If you feel more comfortable you are welcome to place your hands on your heart as you greet those around you. This may be a good option for you if you have social anxiety or are more introverted, this is a symbol of goodwill that you may be more comfortable with. Sharing God's peace can be done in many ways!)

**A Time for All God's Children**

Following the Children's message, the nursery is available for infants and toddlers under 4 years old. The nursery is located through the door at the right front of the sanctuary, and up the stairs. Church school is available for children and youth (4+ years) in Asendorf Hall (3<sup>rd</sup> floor). Children are always welcome to remain in the worship service.



\*Closing Hymn

Won't You Let me Be Your Servant

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\*Blessing

Postlude

"In Thee is Joy"

J. S. Bach

Our worship is fulfilled, and our purpose is confirmed,  
through our service as God's stewards to the world and all creation.  
Use the blessings God has given you as you share  
the joy in your heart, the wisdom in your mind,  
the love in your spirit, and the peace in your soul.

*Thank you for sharing sacred fellowship with us.*



**Welcome to all first-time (and returning) guests to Faith UCC!** We would like to get to know you and for you to get to know us.

Join us after worship for coffee and **conversation**.

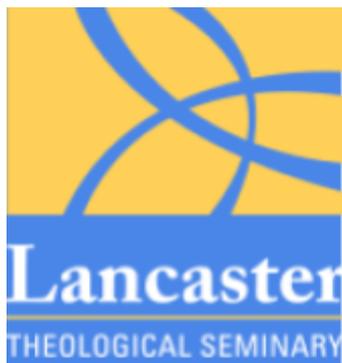
There is free parking on Sundays at the meters and at the McAllister & Pugh Street parking garages – so, we hope you'll worship with us again next Sunday!

### Electronic Giving Options:

During the offering time in the service, you may place your offerings on the plates the ushers will bring around. If you prefer to give electronically simply **scan the QR code** with your smartphone to be directed to our online donation page.



### November Special Offering



Lancaster Seminary (UCC)

(<http://www.ucc.org/nin/>) is a special mission offering of the United Church of Christ that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). Two-thirds of the offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM) to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects through grants.

You can learn more about them on their website noted above.

**Calendar items are listed in the Announcements.**

**If you'd like a large print bulletin or earphones for hearing assistance, please speak with an usher.**

Faith UCC is an open and affirming church, embracing diversity in our congregation and community, and affirming the dignity and worth of every person. We are an inclusive community of faith that celebrates God's presence through worship and the sharing of God's word. We welcome all persons into the full life and ministry of the church, regardless of race, ethnic background, gender identity, sexual orientation, capability, or circumstance of life.

Our Ministry

Ministers — All the Congregation  
Liturgist — Diane Farley

Pastor — Jes Kast

Church Staff

Custodian — Scott Luzier  
Organist—Mark Ferraguto

Church School Coordinator — Barbara Chellman  
Choir Director — Marinda Jenkins  
Administrative Assistant — Jeff Stormer

***Prayers for healing and wholeness:***

The family of Richard H. McCormack (Jane Lee Child's brother), the family of Beckie Romig (Manager for OOTC), Patty Bittner (Jean's daughter), Dan and Eileen Pfaff, Lisa V. (John Vincenti's daughter), Darlene Ripka, the Piggot family.

Please help us keep this list up to date. Notify the office of additions or removals.

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Church Office Hours: 9:30 AM– 1:30 PM      Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Pastor Jes' office hours: 9-5 M-Th. Pastor also values community engagement.

Please contact the office ahead of visits.

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