



CENTENNIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AT IVY

9150 East University Avenue, Altoona, IA 50009 Pastor Dani Musselman June 19, 2022

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LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MOMENT:

"Love isn't a state of perfect caring. It is an active noun like struggle. To love someone is to strive to accept that person exactly the way he or she is, right here and now."

-Mr. Rogers

CALL TO WORSHIP

Break down the barriers that divide us, O Lord.

Tear down the walls of hostility and fear.

Melt the barbed wires of anger and hatred:

Breathe new life among us, Your people.

For we are called to newness in Christ Jesus.

We come, seeking reconciliation, with God and each other.

Come, let us worship the Lord whose love quenches our thirst:

We thirst for God's healing word.

Let us praise the Lord who seeks to unite us in peace.

Amen.

**Liturgy inspired by Nancy Townley's #1 & #2 on "Ministry Matters"*

HYMN #145 "Morning Has Broken"

Morning has broken like the first morning;

Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.

Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!

Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
Sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
Born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's recreation of the new day!

Father's Day Reflective Prayer

Adapted prayer by Robb McCoy

from the UM Book of Worship p. 441

Prayer Concerns/Pastoral/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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

HYMN SING

HYMN #572 "Pass it On" v. 1 & 3

It only takes a spark to get a fire going,
and soon all those around can warm up in its glowing.

That's how it is with God's love once you've experienced it;
you spread his love to everyone; you want to pass it on.

I wish for you, my friend, this happiness that I've found;
You can depend on him, it matters not where you're bound.
I'll shout it from the mountaintop; I want my world to know;
the Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.

SCRIPTURE: EPHESIANS 4:1-16

This is the gospel of Jesus Christ.

All Praise to the Living Word!

HYMN #2223 "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side,
We will work with each other, we will work side by side,
And we'll guard human dignity and save human pride:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

MESSAGE: *la charité. αγάπη. caritas. love.*

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Adeline Rose Lehn

PROFESSION OF FAITH FOR PARENTS & SPONSORS

PROMISE OF COMMUNITY

Pastor: Do you, as Christ's body, the church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

People: We do.

Pastor: Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include Adeline now before you in your care?

People: With God's help, we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround Adeline with a community of love and forgiveness that she may grow in her trust of God and be found faithful in her service to others. We will pray for her, that she may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.

BLESSING OF THE WATER & BAPTISM

WELCOME INTO THE COMMUNITY

Pastor: Members of the household of God, I commend Adeline to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase her faith, confirm her hope, and perfect her in love.

People: We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

ACCEPTING ADELINE INTO THE COMMUNITY

HYMN OF CELEBRATION:

#611 Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

Child of blessing, child of promise,
baptized with the Spirit's sign;
With this water God has sealed you
unto love and grace divine.

Child of love, our love's expression,
love's creation, loved indeed!
Fresh from God, refresh our spirits,
into joy and laughter lead.

May they join us hand in hand, as against all hate we
stand.

Refrain

BENEDICTION

Child of joy, our dearest treasure,
God's you are, from God you came.
Back to God, we humbly give you;
live as one who bears Christ's name.

Child of God your loving Parent,
learn to know whose child you are.
Grow to laugh and sing and worship,
trust and love God more than all.

OFFERING

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS
DOXOLOGY UMH #95

OFFERTORY PRAYER

HYMN "For All the Children"
See attached page for music

God, we gather as your people to raise our song above,
and we dare to claim the promise of Your love.
Though the day may not yet be here,
we trust it soon will be when your children will be free.

Refrain: O, may our hearts and minds be opened,
Fling the church doors open wide.
May there be room enough for everyone inside.
For in God there is a welcome, in God we all belong.
May that welcome be our song.

Oh, we sing for all the children, that one day they be free;
And we sing for generations yet to be,
That they never have a reason to doubt that they are blest.
May they, in Your love, find rest.

Refrain

Oh, we pray for all the young lives cut short by fear and
shame so afraid of who they are and whom they love.
May the message now be banished that Your love is for the
few, may their faith in You renew.

Refrain

God, we're working for the future when children far and
wide, Can live their lives with dignity and pride.
As they grow in strength and stature,

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE SONG

#2184 "Sent Out in Jesus' Name"

*Sent out in Jesus' name
Our hands are ready now
To make the earth the place
In which the kingdom comes*

*Sent out in Jesus' name
Our hands are ready now
To make the earth the place*

*In which the kingdom comes
The angels cannot change
A world of hurt and pain
Into a world of love, of justice and of peace.
The task is ours to do to set it really free.
O help us to obey and carry out Your will!*