

Wellesley Village Church

Congregational † United Church of Christ



Sunday, October 24, 2021

10:00am

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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*Please stand as you are able.

PRELUDE

Leibster Jesu, wir sind heir,
“Blessed Jesus, We Are Here” BWV 731
Kristjon Imperio, Organist

J. S. Bach

WELCOME AND PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Diane Seaborn

*OPENING HYMN NO. 74 “We Have Gathered, Jesus Dear”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Bob Feeny

One: Holy One, we confess that we need healing.

All: We confess that we do not cry out for healing as we should. We let old wounds remain open, tender, and hidden away. In our woundedness, we often hurt others.

One: Forgive us, o God, for the times when our desire to prove our own strength prevents us from seeing the harm we do to others.

All: Loving God, show us the way of peace, the way of healing, the way of love. Help us to cry out in our vulnerability, to be healed and transformed, so that we might heal others. Soften our hearts, o God. Teach us to tend to our wounds, and to deal tenderly with all who are hurting. In the loving name of Jesus, amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Church, you are the body of Christ, broken and remembered in this achingly beautiful world. God’s love heals our wounds and bruises into scars that remind us of our shared need for compassion and care.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

One: The peace of Christ be with you, **All: and also with you.**

Please stand and share a greeting of peace with one another.

ANTHEM

“Heal Us Now”

Leon Sher

Sanctuary Choir

Kevin McDonald, Director of Music

*Heal us, Eternal God, and we will be healed; save us and we will be saved.
God is near to all who seek God. Surely, help is near for those who revere God.*

*Please God, grant healing, healing of the soul, healing of the body, complete healing.
Save your people, bless Your inheritance, care for them, and exalt them forever.*

You, who blessed our fathers and our mothers, O please, help us, God.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 10:46-52

Diane Seaborn

SERMON

"Name It"

***RESPONSE HYMN NO. 314** “Community of Christ”

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Megan Berkowitz

**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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

CALL TO TIME OF OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Offertory

“Canon of Praise”

Natalie Sleeth

*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. Amen.**

OUR COMMON LIFE

*CLOSING HYMN NO. 81

“God Be With You”

*SPECIAL WELCOME TO VISITORS AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Processional”, Op. 96, No. 4

Charles Hutchings

You are invited to remain seated until the conclusion of the Postlude.

COMMISSIONING

Pastor: Our worship has ended;

People: Let our service begin.

Pastor: Go in peace!

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ALL ARE INVITED to share in food and fellowship in the Cloister Garden.

Giving



Our community is sustained by the gracious gifts of time, service, and financial resources that we share. In an effort to make that sharing more streamlined, we now offer online giving. You can find the link in the weekly Enews, or scan this QR code. May God bless the giving and receiving of these and all gifts, and make more of us together than we can ever hope or imagine apart.

TODAY

9:00am	Worship , Chapel, Rev. Bob Feeny, Preacher; Rev. Megan Berkowitz
10:00am	Worship , <i>Sanctuary</i> Rev. Diane Seaborn, Preacher; Rev. Bob Feeny; Rev. Megan Berkowitz Childcare , <i>Family Worship Room</i> Children's Church , <i>Courtyard or Upper Room</i> Middle School Youth Group , <i>Cloister Garden or Chapel</i>
11:15am	Coffee & Fellowship , <i>Cloister Garden</i> Zoom Fellowship , immediately after live-streamed worship Orientation for Seekers/Newcomers , <i>Parlor</i>
11:30am	Handbell Choir Rehearsal with Kristjon Imperio , <i>Village Hall</i>
2:00pm	BeFrienders Retreat , <i>Cloister Garden, Chapel and Village Common</i>
5:00pm	Worship , <i>Congregational Church of Weston</i> (masked)
7:00pm	High School Youth Group , <i>Cloister Garden, Sanctuary or Chapel</i>
7:30pm	Village Church Parents Group (VCPG) , <i>Zoom and Library</i>

Orientation for Seekers/Newcomers to Wellesley Village Church

Today, 11:15am, Parlor

Please see Visitors' page in this bulletin for more information.

Handbell Choir is Ringing Again with Director Kristjon Imperio!

Today, 11:30am, Village Hall

All who would like to ring are welcome! Come for a trial ring today! To hear more, check the church website, Enews, or email christie.baskett@gmail.com.

Village Church Parents Group (VCPG)

Today and Dec. 5, 7:30-8:30pm, Zoom and Library

We are a group of Village Church parents walking in faith together. Please join us on Zoom or in the church library for an hour of conversation and support. How are you and your children getting through the latest pandemic issues? Is there frustration? New stresses? Are you experiencing new joys? Come and share with others going through similar things. All parents welcome! Kerstin Allen (Kerstin.r.allen@gmail.com)

Connected ~ GROWING ~ Grateful

Sunday Worship (masks required indoors)

9am Chapel

10am Sanctuary (and livestreamed)

5pm Evening Worship at CCW in Weston

Special Dates

November 7 – All Saints Sunday

November 21 – Thanksgiving Sunday

Wellesley Village Church website



For information about Wellesley Village Church, please visit our website, which may be accessed using your smartphone.

COMING UP

Empty Nesters+ (a walking group)

Mondays, 9:30am

Empty Nesters+ (not necessarily empty nesters, hence the plus sign!) gather weekly, weather permitting, for a walk at the beautiful Elm Bank Reservation in Wellesley. Please join us! Email Christina Oliver at christinaoliver20@gmail.com for information.

Congregational Hearing

Oct. 31, after 10am worship, Zoom and Sanctuary

The focus will be to provide an update on Church activities, events, and initiatives, including the progress of the Associate Pastor Search Committee. All are welcome!

Annual Rummage Sale on November 8 has been cancelled

We're sorry to say that we have had to cancel to keep everyone safe while shopping. Please save your offerings for 2022!

VISITORS INFORMATION WELCOME TO VILLAGE CHURCH!

Please visit our Welcome Table outside today. We would love to meet you!

Every Sunday, before and after worship, members of our Welcome Ministry are here to greet you and answer any questions.

Seekers Orientation for Newcomers to Village Church

Today, 11:15am, Parlor

If you are new to WVC and want to learn more about our life together, please join the Welcomers in the Parlor after 10 AM worship. Childcare will be provided. Our pastors and lay leaders will share information about our mission, beliefs, governance and ministries, as well as answer your questions. A social gathering for visitors will also be offered in November, so please stay tuned!



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