



# 1st Congregational UCC

*Opening the Doors of Possibility*

*An Open & Affirming Church*



Sunday, Oct. 20, 2024

*(Sept./Oct. Reaching Out Focus: Community & Civic Duties)*



**“And the Word became flesh and dwelled among us,  
and we beheld his glory.”**

*~ John 1:14*

# Welcome to our church family!

## Gathering Music

**Tolling of the Bell** - our reminder to quiet ourselves inside *and* out for worship

## Welcome

**Opening Hymn** - #35 “Morning Has Broken”

**Morning Message** - “**The Trajectory of God’s Word**”

*Offered by Toby Jones, Pastor*

*Scripture Readings, offered by Janet VanAlsten*

*Genesis 1:1-13*

*Isaiah 48:17-20*

*II Timothy 3:14-16*

*Hebrews 1:1-3*

*John 1:1-14*

**Message Hymn** - #664 “Thy Word”

## Offering

**Offertory**

**Doxology**

*“Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him all creatures here below,  
Praise Her above ye heavenly host,  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost, Amen*

## Morning Prayers -

*“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 debts as we forgive  
our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.”*

**Closing Hymn** - #667 “God Has Spoken by the Prophets”

## Charge and Benediction

**Postlude** - #492 “Spirit of the Living God” *Congregational Sing Along*



### ***A Special Invitation for Our Newer Participants...***



If you have been worshipping and participating with us for @ 18 months or less and have not yet attended one of our New Participant Brunches, this invitation is for you!


When you find a new church and start attending, it's not always easy to meet people and find your place. We have found that it can be really fun and informative for all of our newest participants to gather for a simple brunch with Toby and a few other seasoned veterans. We'll be having such a gathering on Sunday, November 3 right after worship in the Fellowship Hall. We'll provide the sandwiches and drinks; we just need you to join us, if you'd like to get to know some other new folks and learn a bit more about 1<sup>st</sup> Congregational United Church of Christ.

All you have to do in order to join us is let Toby or Stacey (in the office) know that you'll be attending. (email [toby@chxuucc.org](mailto:toby@chxuucc.org) or [office@chxuucc.org](mailto:office@chxuucc.org) to RSVP.) The gathering will go from 11:45 to 1:00 at the latest. We look forward to hearing from you soon!

Sunday 10/20	Mon 10/21	Tues 10/22	Wed 10/23	Thurs 10/24	Fri 10/25	Sat 10/26	Sunday 10/27
<p>10:30a In-Person &amp; Live-Streamed Worship</p> <p>11:30a Coffee Hour w/ Special Presentation by Toby on Guatemala <i>Hosted by:</i> <i>MaryAnn Borths</i> <i>Ellen Zienert</i> <i>Judy Seibert</i> <i>Patricia Dilworth</i></p> <p>Approx 12p Church Council Mtg</p>	<p>6p Personal Pantry</p>	<p>10a Scripture Discussion Group</p> <p>11a-2p CMA Hours</p>	<p>5p Uke Band Practice</p> <p>6p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>11a-2p CMA Hours</p>			<p>9a Trustees Mtg</p> <p>10:30a In-Person &amp; Live-Streamed Worship</p> <p>11:30a All-Church Mtg</p> <p>12p Outside Fall Cleanup</p> <p>Coffee Hour During Cleanup</p>

<p><b>Prayer Requests/ Celebrations: To submit a Prayer Request please visit our website at chxucc.org or call the office at <u>231-547-9122</u></b></p> <p><b>Please be sure to get permission from the person needing prayers.</b></p>	<p>Please continue to pray for the victims of Hurricane Milton in Florida.</p> <p>Please continue to pray for the victims and the people affected by Hurricane Helene in Florida, Georgia, Tennessee, and the Carolinas.</p> <p>Please continue to pray for Jennifer and Stan Carroll and their family as their son-in-law, Craig Sinclair, remains in hospice care due to cancer complications.</p> <p>Please continue to pray for David Bowen as he continues to struggle with health issues and other challenges.</p> <p>Please continue to pray for Dolores Cain as she remains in hospice care.</p>
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	<p><b>Please join us for Coffee Hour in Ransom Hall immediately after the service.</b></p>	 <p><i>Mary Ann Borths, Elle Zienert, Judy Seibert, &amp; Patricia Dilworth</i></p>
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