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# LAKEVIEW UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

November 12, 2017

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Ministers  
All People

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*Please sign the registry of attendance and pass it along to the person next to you, and then to the row behind you.  
For the courtesy of those around you, please set your electronic device to silent.*

*\* Indicates stand as you are able.*



**Pre-Service Music** "Be Thou My Vision / Harvest Home"

## Welcome and Announcements

**Choral Call to Worship** "Clothe Yourself in Compassion"

*We are the children of God, we are the children of God.*

*We are chosen, and beloved, and so we must clothe ourselves with compassion.*

**Prelude-Kindling of the Christ Candle** "Sing to the Lord of the Harvest"

*As we light the candles, let us take a moment to focus our hearts and minds for worship.*

## \* Call to Worship

One: We gather today in that community called faith:

**Left: Where the hungry are served a feast,**

*Right: Where life's water quenches the longing of the thirsty.*

One: We come today, for God welcomes us into a home called grace:

**Left: Where the naked are adorned in fine robes and light,**

*Right: Where the wanderer is welcomed and given place.*

One: We join together this morning, children in God's family of love:

**Left: Where the imprisoned are assured justice,**

*Right: Where those in need are cradled in God's peace.*

**ALL: We gather today to worship God!**

**\* Opening Hymn** "Called as Partners in Christ's Service" #495

**Reader's Theater** Matthew 25:34-40

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*Large-print bulletins and hearing-assistance tools are available. Please see an usher for assistance.  
Nursery is offered for children through Kindergarten. Sunday School is offered for children through  
8<sup>th</sup> grade and begins after the Passing of the Peace.*

## Prayer For Our Community *(unison)*

Dear God, we thank You for the Good News that teaches us how to love—to love You and to love others. Help us to understand and remember how important the people around us are, and how, when we help and serve with compassion, we are serving You. Teach us to love like You love. Amen.

## \* Sharing God's Peace

*Please share God's peace by greeting one another with a smile,  
a handshake, a hug, a wave ... whatever is most comfortable for you.*

**Call to Prayer** "What Does the Lord Require of You?"

*What does the Lord require of you? What does the Lord require of you?* Sing twice

*To seek justice and love kindness and walk humbly with your God.* Sing twice

## Prayers of the People

*We begin by sharing our joys and concerns. Each sharing is lifted up with:*

One: We lift them up in prayer.

All: Lord, hold them in Your love

## The Lord's Prayer *(unison)*

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.

**Chancel Choir** "Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life"

**Hearing the Good News** Matthew 25:34-40 *(MSG)*

## Sharing the Good News

**Hymn of Rejoicing** "Teach Me, O Lord, Your Holy Way" #465

**Stewardship Moment** Debbie Newcomb

**Offertory** "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

**\* Doxology** *Praise God from whom all blessing flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, you heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.* #780

\* **Prayer of Thanksgiving** *(unison)*

Gracious God, we bring these offerings and gifts this morning. May they be used with kindness and mercy and be a beacon of compassion as we love like You love. Amen.

\* **Hymn of Sending Forth** "Great Is Your Faithfulness" #423

\* **Commission and Benediction**

\* **Closing Response** "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" #82, vs. 2

\* **Postlude** "Lord of Life"

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**Worship Volunteers:**

Greeter: **Nicole Bucalo**; Worship Leader: **Corey Nieman**

Prayers of the People: **Katie Madden**; Scripture Reader: **Rosemary Ennis**

Usher: **Donna Maile**; Nursery: **Faith Colwell**

WELCOME VISITORS

**"No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!"**

We make a point to say this from the pulpit most Sundays. We like saying it. We like what it means. It means that at Lakeview United Church of Christ you don't have to be sure about your understanding of God to worship here. It means that in this community of faith you are welcome to share your gifts and your needs---no matter what they are. It means that no matter your race, nationality, sexual orientation, gender identification, age, ability, or *whatever it is that makes you you, our welcome to you is extravagant!*

If you have found yourself excluded and alienated, spiritually homeless or questioning, you are welcome here. If you have ever felt there is no room for you within Christianity or the Church, you are welcome here. We are a community of faith that celebrates diversity and strives to fulfill our mission to: Reach out through God's spirit by Involving, Serving and Learning Together. *We hope you will return and even consider joining this band of fellow travelers. Let's journey together!*



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