

iucc Irvine United Congregational Church
*An Open & Affirming, Just Peace, Global Mission, Creation Justice
Congregation of the United Church of Christ*

May 12, 2024 • 9:30am

MOTHER'S DAY

Prelude *The Bond of Love* Yuyoung Jeong, piano
arr. Fred Bock

Gathering Song *As We Gather* Congregation
by Coomes & Fay

As we gather may your Spirit work within us
As we gather may we glorify your name
Knowing well that as our hearts begin to worship
We'll be blessed because we came
(Repeat)

Welcome iucc.org/visitor Rev. Dr. Sarah Halverson-Cano

Gong

Introit *Prayer for Mothers* Chancel Choir
by Donna Butler, directed by Scott Freeman

Call to Worship Connie Jones

One This day we lift up women, beginning with our first mother, Eve.

Many: Mother of all the living, Soul of the human race.

One: This day we remember Sarah, heart of the covenant.

Many: Mother of the nations, Jews, Muslims, Christians, three.

Conceiver of Laughter and Life.

One: This day we remember Elizabeth who believed dreams do come true.

Many: You mothered the herald of joy, in your womb the child leapt!

One: This day we remember the mother of Truth, Hope, and Love.

Many: Mary, Holy Mother, you birthed the light of the world!

One: This day we remember a woman of power, Lydia.

Many: Generous and faithful, your hospitality mothered our faith.

One: This day we remember women everywhere, in all time and all places.

Many: Our mothers who carried us or stepped in to nurture us, our mothers in faith, the powerful women who marked history transforming the world!

All: Mother God we thank you for women of Spirit!

Hymn

Come Let Us Join with Faithful Souls

New Century Hymnal # 383 (v. 1,2,3,4)

Congregation

Come, let us join with faithful souls
Our song of faith to raise;
One family in the heart are we,
And One the God we praise.

Faithful are all who love the truth
And perfect truth proclaim,
Who steadfast stand at God's right hand
And glorify God's name.

And faithful are the gentle hearts
To whom the pow'r is giv'n
Of ev'ry hearth to make a home,
Of ev'ry home a heav'n.

O God of hosts, our faith renew,
And grant us, in your grace,
To join the songs sung by the saints,
in every time and place.

A Fresh Word

Anthem

Rise Up and Call Her Blessed

by Pepper Choplin

Chancel Choir

Taize

Congregation

Reflective Singing **"Holy Spirit Come to Us"**
J. Berthier



Prayers of the Church

Rev. Dr. Terry LePage

[concluding with the Lord's Prayer]

Our Creator (Father, Mother, or other name as you are comfortable),
which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kin-dom 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 kin-dom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offertory Call

Connie Jones

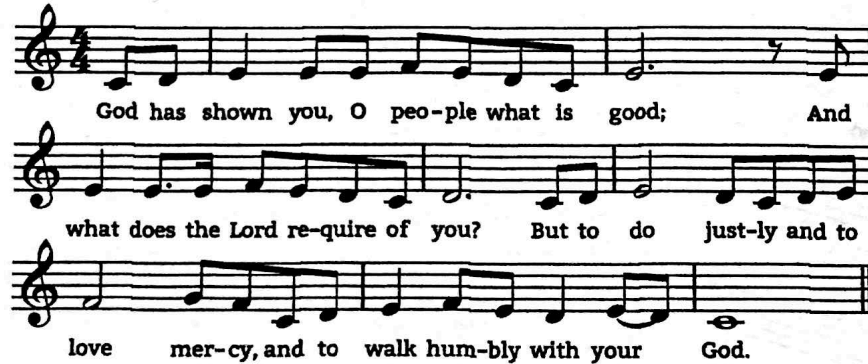
Offertory Solo

Take Care of Her

Jaime Reza

by Jaime Reza

Song of Thanksgiving • "Micah 6:8"



God has shown you, O peo-ple what is good; And
what does the Lord re-quire of you? But to do just-ly and to
love mer-cy, and to walk hum-bly with your God.

Prayer of Dedication

Connie Jones

Reading

Acts 16:13-15

Connie Jones

On the Sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Sarah Halverson-Cano

Response

Alleluia

Congregation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

[Repeat]

Postlude

Tell All the World About Love

Yuyoung Jeong, piano

arr. Fred Bock

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