

United Church of Clinton



November 11, 2018
Pastor, Rev. Lee Atherton

Worship - 10:00 am
Musician, Ilana Cady
Lay Reader, Laraine Amelotte

Ministers, The People of God

Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down one's life for one's friends.
John 15:13

RINGING of the BOWL / TIME of CENTERING

Please use this time during the prelude in silent prayer and preparation for worship.

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL to WORSHIP** (please stand as you are able)

Leader: God's Word called into being the pumpkins, the geese who fly south, the leaves which litter our lawns.

People: In awe, we come into the presence of the God of vivid imagination.

Leader: God's arms reach down and gather up children, lovingly placing us in grace's lap.

People: In joy, we reach up to the God who loves us completely.

Leader: God's Spirit fills our lungs, so we can cry out for justice for the broken, the young, the old, the abandoned of our time.

People: In service, we join with our God to build hope in our world.

***HYMN of PRAISE SUPPORTING HUMAN JUSTICE**

"The Church's One Foundation"

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You are invited to bring your gifts to support our outreach and mission opportunities.

PRAYER of the DAY

What will it take, loving God, for this hour to be a time of wonder and re-creation? We have little to offer you except our spiritual yearnings, limited faith, and partial love. In your mercy, please take what we have and are, and by the joy of your Spirit transform this hour of worship into deeper reverence and loftier praise. God in Community, Holy in One, we lift our prayers to you as we use the words Jesus taught us, "Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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."

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen. Amen.

(you may be seated)

SCRIPTURE Psalm 127

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*HYMN "Jesu, Jesu"

#600

PRAYERS of CONFESSION and RESTORATION

Loving God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed. We haven't loved you with all our heart or served you with all our strength. We have been blind to the vision of a renewed world and deaf to your call to discipleship. We have been indifferent to the suffering of others and unwilling to forgive one another. In your mercy, Lord, forgive us, that together in the ministry of Christ we may serve you with joy all the days of our life. Amen.

PASSING the PEACE of CHRIST

In the spirit of worship, and abiding in Christ's love, let us turn to one another singing "Peace Be with You". Please be seated when the music ends.

SHARING OUR JOYS, CONCERNS, and GLIMPSES of GOD

You are invited to share your concern or celebration briefly so that all who wish will have time to share. Please consider the privacy of other's information.

PASTOR'S PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE "Heal Me, Hands of Jesus" (verse 1)

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Heal me, hands of Jesus, and search out all my pain;

Restore my hope, remove my fear, and bring me peace again.

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

HYMN of DEDICATION "Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord & Awesome God"

Part I (melody)

Hum - ble thy - self in the sight of the

Hum-ble thy - self in the sight of the Lord.

Lord. Hum-ble thy - self in the sight of the

Hum - ble thy - self in the sight of the Lord,
Lord, and

and he shall lift you up,
he shall lift you up, high-er and high - er, and

and he shall lift you up. up.
he shall lift you up. up.

Repeat ending | *Song ending*

Our God is An Awesome God

Our God is an awe-some God; he reigns from
Our God is an awe-some God; he reigns from

First time: Unison
Repeats: Parts

heav-en a - bove with wis - dom, pow'r, and love. Our

heav-en a - bove with wis - dom, pow'r, and love. Our

God is an awe-some God! Our God is an awe-some

Repeat ending | *Song ending*

God is an awe-some God! Our God! Our God is an awe-some

Repeat ending | *Song ending*
Parts

slowing

God! Our God is an awe - some God!

slowing

God! Our God is an awe - some God!

***SONG of PRAISE (#46 in Hymnal)**

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

***PRAYER of DEDICATION**

**We lift up these offerings as a sign of our gratitude for your love and care, O God.
We pledge ourselves, time, talent and treasure. We pray that we may follow in
the spirit of the poor woman who gave her all without hesitation. We dedicate
our lives to you and seek to grow in our faithfulness to your Word. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE

Mark 12:38-44

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PASTOR’S MESSAGE

MUSICAL REFLECTION

***SENDING HYMN**

“Take My Life and Let It Be”

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BLESSING and SENDING FORTH

SUNG AMEN

BELL and POSTLUDE

Our worship has ended ~ Let our service begin!
Flowers have been placed on the altar in memory of Roy Dobeck

New Joys and Concerns, Ongoing Prayers

✚ Congratulations to Haleigh Dobeck who was awarded Clinton High Student of the Month! To Kylee Dobeck who did awesome in gymnastics meets! And to JJ whose team won the Superbowl!

✚ Dawn and Perry’s granddaughter Abby who is experiencing bullying.

✚ Praise to God that Linda Wheeler’s daughter Lauren’s eyes are ok!

✚ Laura Garceau’s niece Kayla struggling with mental health.

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| Bobby and Lauren and Justin Fillios | Chet Thompson, Jan’s Ganusko’s brother |
| Bonnie Clark | Jamie and Heather McNamara Kayla Morkert |
| Bill Yacopucci | Marj and Art Lamy Larry Gilman, Sr |
| Bob Wheeler | Carol and Steve Granger Dolly Duca |
| Tyler Bauman & Family | Bill Cummins Laura Garceau and family |

The Week (and month) Ahead

Today	10:00am	Worship – Veterans Day
	After Worship	Vitality Scouts
Monday, November 12		Veteran’s Day Observed
Tuesday, November 13	7:00	Deacons Meeting
Wednesday, November 14	7:00	Social Justice
	7:30	Council
Sunday, November 18	8:00am	Bible Study
	9:15am	Ensemble
	10:00am	Worship
	11:45	Semi-Annual Meeting
		Gift Box and Turkey Deliveries

This Weeks Birthdays and Anniversaries

11 - James White 11 - Elijah Turcotte 16 - Pamela Jent 17 - Linda Wheeler
14 - Susie & Richard Hoag 15 - Dawn & Perry Sivert

Happenings at United Church

The German Christmas Market will be here before you know it! This is a huge fundraiser and community awareness for our church and needs lots of helping hands to be successful. If you can help in any way – before or during; half an hour or lots of hours; at home or at church – be in touch with Dawn Sivert or leave a message at the office.

The Suggestion Box

If you have an idea or suggestion, add a note to the suggestion box in the hall between the sanctuary and Marquart Hall. Here are Pastor Lee’s responses to recent submissions.

- ✚ A women’s retreat is being planned for March 1-2, 2019. Watch for updates in the bulletin and newsletter.
- ✚ If you would be interested in attending an evening Bible Study using an on-line audio/video meeting room, let Pastor Lee know.
- ✚ Thank you for your affirmation!

The Vision Statement of the United Church of Clinton

God's people loving and serving God.

The Mission Statement of the United Church of Clinton

At the United Church of Clinton we seek to:

- † Spread the word of God;
- † Love God and our neighbors passionately;
- † Provide Christian education to people of all ages;
- † Work together in the local community and beyond by using our spiritual gifts in faithful service to those in need;
- † Live and bear testimony to our faith by being an example of Christian living;
- † Reach out to friends, families, and neighbors and invite them to join with us for reverent worship, heartfelt prayer, joyful music, and devoted celebration of the sacraments;
- † Encourage and create a sense of love and belonging to God's family.

~~We celebrate the Confirmation of 4 young men this year. Please congratulate Drew Dobeck, Zachary Newton, Ryan Ge~~

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