

## APOSTLES' CREED (In Unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit the one holy Universal Christian Church. The communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

## THE SACRAMENT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

### COMMUNION PRAYER (Responsively)

Pastor: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to God.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to God Most High.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

## Welcome to St. John's United Church of Christ



## Spiritual Communion

*We are happy to welcome everyone attending  
St. John's United Church of Christ. May  
God Bless you with His abundant love.*

# ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

*Third Sunday in Lent*

Communion Sunday

**March 03, 2024**

**10:15 am**

**PRELUDE**      *"Change My Heart, O God"*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GREETING** (Responsively)

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: The power of the Holy Spirit moves among us!

**People: Praise the Lord!**

**OPENING HYMN** *"Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God"*

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsively)

Leader: Come with us on this Lenten Journey to the Temple.

**People: The temple is the great House of the Lord.**

Leader: But sometimes even greed and selfishness can enter the Temple.

**People: Be with us, Lord, as we enter this step.**

Leader: The Lord will be asking us to recognize our selfishness.

**People: Lord, hear our cries. AMEN.**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (In Unison)

Patient Lord, we have cluttered the "temples" of our lives with so much unnecessary things that they have blocked out your healing words of hope and mercy. Forgive us when we have been so preoccupied with these things that we have not listened to your words and followed your ways. Give us clean hearts and spirits. Help us to be confident in your mercy and transformational love. These things we offer in the name of Jesus, the Christ. AMEN.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

*"GLORIA PATRI"*

**#623**

Special Music by Pastor Laura Doty  
*"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"*

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**      Exodus 20:1-17  
Psalm 19:7-14    John 2:13-22

**TODAY'S MESSAGE**

*"God's Sticky Notes"*      Reverend Laura Doty

**DEDICATION OF OUR GIFTS**

*"Doxology"*

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**SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS**

Prayers of the People – Kelly Harris  
Pastoral, The Lord's Prayer (Debts, Debtors)