

Fruits and Vegetables – symbolize God’s providence. Men and women, children and youth of this land struggle much to enjoy the fruits of their labor. May we always find ourselves in solidarity with the struggle of those who toil and yet have not received the fruits of their labor, so that God’s providence will truly be experienced in our midst.

Grains - Inside this basket are grains symbolizing abundance that we ought to share specially to those who live in want. We offer this in the service of those who hunger for food and for justice.

All: “Halleluya” (standing and singing) Halle! Halle! Halleluyah (3x)
Halleluyah! Halleluyah!

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERING OF TITHES, THANKSGIVING AND OTHER OFFERING

†DOXOLOGY

“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow” HFI#94
Praise God the Source of life and birth; Praise God the Son who came to earth;
Praise God the Spirit, Holy Flame; All glory, honor to God’s name. Amen.

†OFFERTORY PRAYER

†HYMN OF DEDICATION

“Onward Christian People”

Onward, Christian people, let us rise and go;
Bearers of the Gospel, where there’s human woe
Not in cross-topped towers, lifting to the sky
But among the needy, saying, “Here am I”
Refrain: Here’s my hand, co-workers, Give me your hand too;
Let us work together, There is much to do!

There are many strongholds, firm as Jericho
Walls that must be shaken let the trumpets blow
There is air pollution, there is poverty
If we march together, we’ll win victory!

In our global village, all must kindred be
It’s not good just talking—that’s hypocrisy
Join the faith with action; put your hand in, too
Grant us, God, the vision of a world made new!
Onward, sisters, brothers, go into the streets
There are lonely persons you will surely meet
All the sad and broken, longing for love’s touch
Let us take God’s presence, who said, “I’m as much!”

†CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

†CHORAL RESPONSE

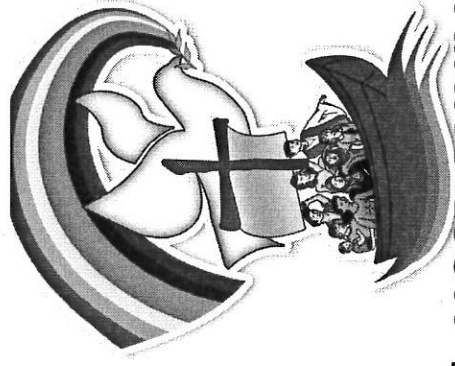
“The Kingdom of God is Where God Is” HFI# 380

The Kingdom of God is where God reigns; a place of love, joy and peace.
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POSTLUDE AND RECESSIONAL

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68 Years of Celebrating Together



68th UCCP ANNIVERSARY

Celebration Theme:

“Spirituality for a New Humanity”

PRELUDE, OFFERING OF SYMBOLS & PROCESSIONAL
LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE
WELCOME, GREETINGS
CHORAL INTROIT
†CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Eternal and Loving God, we give thanks to You for Your goodness through all the years of worship and witness.

People: For Your grace in calling us to be Your people, for Your love revealed to us in Christ Your Son, for Your gift of the Spirit and the joy of salvation.

Leader: We give You thanks, O God, for those who establish this congregation and the whole UCCP for their faith and vision, for their gifts and abilities.

People: For all who have been members of this faith community, for those who have given their time, talent and treasures, for those whose wisdom guided our church, we give You thanks.

All: As we celebrate the 68th UCCP Founding Anniversary, we thank you Lord for Your love and faithfulness that sustain us, as individuals, as families and as a faith community.

†HYMN OF PRAISE "Come Now, Almighty God" HFJ # 54

Come, thou Almighty God, help us your name to laud; our songs we raise;
Ruler all glorious, o'er all victorious, come, and reign over us,
Ancient of Days!

Come, now incarnate Word, by heaven and earth adored;
our prayer attend: Come, and your people bless,
and give your word success; Grant us your holiness, Savior and Friend!
Come, Holy Comforter, your sacred witness bear in this glad hour.
Your grace to us impart, now rule in every heart, Never from us depart,
Spirit of power!

To you, great One in Three, eternal praises be forever more!
Your sovereign majesty may we in glory see,
And to eternity love and adore.

†INVOCATION

†SONG OF EXALTATION

Our God is great and worthy to be praised
for God fills us with the Spirit of truth.

CALL TO CONFESSION

MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

SONG OF CONFESSION

Kyrie Eleison. Kyrie Eleison. Kyrie Eleison.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

THE FAITH COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

RESPONSE

O God in heaven, grant to Your children mercy and blessings,
songs never ceasing,

Grace to invite us, peace to unite us O God in heaven, author of love.

Jesus Redeemer, help us remember Your pain and passion,

Your resurrection,

Your call to follow, Your love tomorrow Jesus Redeemer, savior and friend.

Spirit unending, give us Your blessing: Strength for the weary,

help for the needy, Hope for the scornful, peace for the mournful

Spirit unending, comfort and guide.

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"The UCCP STATEMENT OF FAITH" (Unison)

WE BELIEVE in One God: Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer who provides order, purpose, meaning and fulfillment to all creation.

That in Jesus Christ, who was born of Mary, God became human and is Sovereign Lord of life and history.

That in the Holy Spirit, God is present in the world, empowering and guiding believers to understand and live out their faith in Jesus Christ.

WE BELIEVE persons are created in the image of God and destined to live in community with God, with other persons and with all creation.

That by disobedience, they have become sinful, but, by grace through faith, they are redeemed in Jesus Christ.

That being entrusted with God's creation, they are called to participate in the establishment of a just and compassionate social order.

WE BELIEVE that the Church is the one Body of Christ, the whole community of persons reconciled to God through Jesus Christ and entrusted with God's ministry.

WE BELIEVE that the Holy Bible is a faithful and inspired witness of God's self-revelation in Jesus Christ and in history, to illumine, guide correct and edify believers in their faith and witness.

WE BELIEVE that God is at work to make each person a new being in Christ and the whole world God's Kingdom in which love, justice and peace prevail. That the Kingdom of God is present where faith in Jesus Christ is shared, where healing is given to the sick, where food is given to the hungry, where light is given to the blind, and where liberty is given to the captive and oppressed.

WE BELIEVE that the resurrection of Jesus Christ has overcome the power of death gives assurance of life after death, and we look forward to His coming again in all fullness and glory to make all creation new and to gather all the faithful in the Kingdom of God. Amen.

†RESPONSE

Refrain: A united and uniting church,

That we may all be one Reformed and transforming,

In mission and in faith, onward UCCP, Building God's kingdom of peace.

†SCRIPTURE READING

BRIEF HISTORY OF UCCP

RESPONSE

Refrain: That's why we are UCCP for we are taught what the Lord has said;

To live a life in community with God and all,

Assured of life even after death, no more sorrow and no more defeat,

There's only love, justice and peace, all creation new./UCCP!

ANTHEM

MESSAGE

THANKSGIVING OFFERING FOR THE 68TH UCCP ANNIVERSARY

Seedling—is a symbol of life, faith and hope. It has to be nurtured to grow as a tree. The seedling is our love that needs to be nurtured to come into full maturity.

A United and Uniting Church" HFJ# 244

"Why We Are UCCP" HFJ# 243