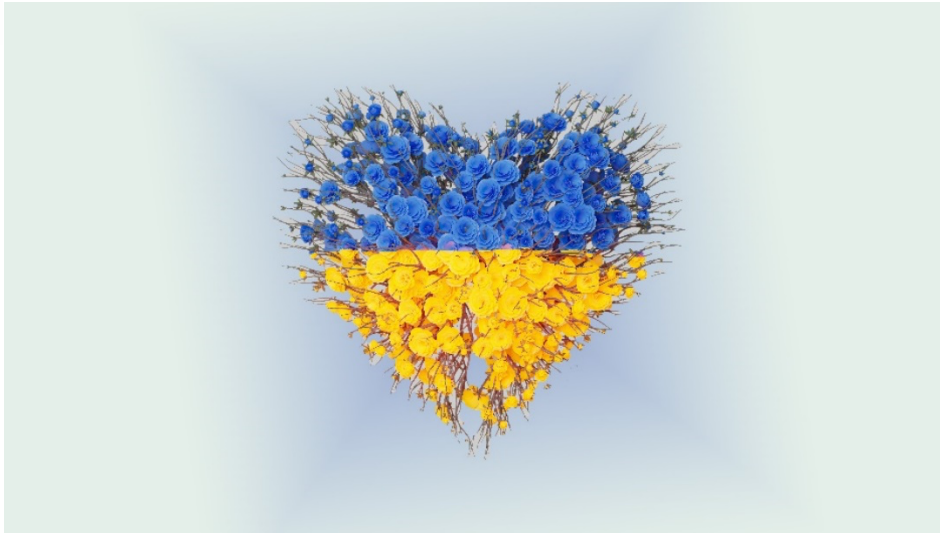




Sayville Congregational United Church of Christ
March 27, 2022



Announcements

Ring the Bell

Prelude "Prelude for Organ No. 47" by C.H. Rinck

*Call to Worship

Adapted from Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 5:16-21

"From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know Christ no longer in that way."

We share in the knowledge of the Beloved in this new way of being; everything has become new.

We become new each day in a "daily resurrection" of the Love we have been given to embrace and share with all.

So, friends, come. All. And let us join this new day! A day of resurrection in and of God's love as we join in worship and prayer and song.

*(*Please rise or be seated, as you wish, joining with us singing.)*

Hymn

"I Sing as I Arise Today"

New Century Hymnal #83

I sing as I arise today! I call on my Creator's might:
The will of God to be my guide, The eye of God to be my sight.

The word of God to be my speech, The hand of God to be my stay,
The shield of God to be my strength, The path of God to be my way.

Alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

*(*Please be seated and join us in prayer.)*

Unison Prayer Psalm 32 from Psalms for Praying by Nan C. Merrill
[excerpted]/modified]

Our Beloved, You are our guide.
You teach us to walk in the Light.
Be watchful of us, counsel us as
we listen to You in the Silence.
We pray for gifts of inner peace
and wisdom,
For the grace to bring reverence to all of Creation.

*(*Please rise or be seated, as you wish, joining with us in singing.)*

Passing of the Peace of Christ

In John 14:27, Jesus said, "Peace I leave you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

The peace we offer one another is an expression, a breath of the peace that Jesus spoke of to the world. Breathe, Pause, take a breath, and from deep inside the beguiling whispering voice of God in your being, let us offer one another a sign of that peace... that peace.

May the Peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

And now, to one another...

Hymn
Praise #101 (2X)

“Make Us One”

Sing! Prayer and

Make us one, God, make us one; Holy Spirit, make us one.
Let your love flow so the world will know we are one in you.

Joys and Concerns...

We turn to our Joys and Concerns as we approach this table for our
Communion Meal. With the world, with you...we pray.

From the stillness of our hearts and in the words we express, let this be a
time to share your petitions and joys in the ways you may...

Hymn
2, 5

“Somos pueblo que camina” (We Are People on a Journey)
New Century Hymnal #340 vss. 1,

Somos plueblo que camina por la senda del dolor.
Acudamos jubilosos a la santa communion.

We are people on a journey; pain is with us all the way.
Joyfully we come together at the holy feast of God.

Los humildes y los pobres invitados son de Dios
Acudamos jubilosos a la santa communion.

God has sent the invitation to the humble and the poor
Joyfully we come together at the holy feast of God.

Los sedientos de justiciar buscan su liberación
Acudamos jubilosos a la santa communion.

All who truly thirst for justice seek their liberation here.
Joyfully we come together at the holy feast of God.

Holy Communion: Come to the Table

Friends, we come to this table in prayer. We *abide* in this Communion we share in this break from the world and its power. We pause from our goings and comings and breathe in the presence of the Holy Spirit that surely filled Jesus in his life, especially that last night; the Spirit that fills us in our life, surely in this moment.

Words of Institution and Sharing of The Meal

*(*Please join me in praying the Prayer of Jesus, using the words that comfort you most.)*

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Prayer of Jesus

Creator God who is in heaven
Hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory forever, Amen.

Hymn "O Holy Dove of Descending"
Hymnal #285 (As Shown)

New Century

O Holy Dove of God descending, you are the love that knows no ending,
you are the life that starts us growing: Spirit, now live in me.

O Wind of God now blowing, you are the seed that God is sowing,
You are the inner voice now calling: Spirit, now live in me.

First Reading Psalm 32 from Psalms for Praying by Nan C. Merrill
[excerpted]/modified]

Blessed are you whose wrongdoings
 have been forgiven,
 whose shame has been forgotten.

Blessed are you in whom Love Divine
 finds a home,
 and whose spirit radiates truth.

...let everyone who is sincere
 give thanks to the Beloved;

For whenever we feel paralyzed
 by fear,
 we shall be embraced by Love.

Dwelling in the Heart of the Beloved,
 we are free from distress,
 free to live more creatively.

Gospel Reading Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Meanwhile, the tax collectors and the “sinners” were all gathering around Jesus to listen to his teaching, at which the pharisees and the religious scholars murmured, “This person welcomes sinners and eats with them!

Jesus then addressed this parable to them:

“A man had two sons...”

“Church Covenant”

In response to God’s love, we covenant with each other...
to be faithful to the demands and inspiration of the eternal spirit,
revealed in the event of Jesus Christ;
to accept and respect each other with love and concern
in our worship and witness.;
to reach out with the courage of our convictions
in the cause of justice, liberation, and equality for all.
In this, we covenant to keep the ultimate promise:
“I care, I am with you.

Benediction Psalm 32 from Psalms for Praying by Nan C. Merrill
[excerpted]/modified]

Many are the heartaches of those
 separated from Love;
Steadfast love abides with those
 who surrender their lives into
 the hands of the Beloved.
Be glad and rejoice! Let your life
 give witness to Love’s Way;
And shout for joy, all you upright
 of heart.

(Please be seated.)

Ringing the Bell

Postlude "Sing Community, Sing Peace"
 Words by Terry York
 Music by Mark Hayes



Sayville Congregational United Church of Christ

For more than a century and a half, Sayville's Congregational Church has served families on the South Shore of Long Island and has been a voice for the progressive Protestant tradition. A member of the United Church of Christ since it was established in 1957, today we continue to celebrate God's love, to advocate and act for the oppressed, and to welcome all those on their spiritual journey, from wherever they may come. Thank you for joining us. Please contact us at any time for more information about our congregation or with any questions you may have for us.

Today's Worship Leadership
Liturgist – Connie Kauffman
Music Director – Sean Cameron
Ushers – Kay and Tom Wolf
Media Team – Karin Conrad, Mark Conrad,
Connie Kauffman, Kathy Leis and Hank Maust

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Today's Service is being simulcast on our church channel at
www.echimestv.org Tune in any time!

*Thank you for being with us today.
Peace. Shalom. Salaam. For the ways of peace are many.
"Namaste"*

2022 Easter Plants

This Easter season I would like to place
flowers on the Chancel.

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

Please Print Legibly

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

____ I would like to give my Easter plant to someone
unable to attend services at this time

____ I will pick my plant up after Easter Sunday

Please send (or bring) this form and your donation to:

Sayville Congregational Church
131 Middle Road
Sayville, NY 11782

All orders must be received by Wednesday, April 6th.

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