



Sunday, October 9, 2022
St. James/St. Mark's United Church of Christ

Rev. Dr. Patrick Schultz, Pastor
Ann Rodewald, Organist Scott Siekman, Reader at St. Mark's

Meditative Music

Bells Ring

Prelude Gathering for Worship:

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Call to Worship:

L: We gather today to worship the One who created us,

P: Our Creator calls to us.

L: Our Lord who gifts and equips us, loves, and forgives us, bids us come to him,

P: As Abraham welcomed the strangers, so God welcomes us!

L: So, God greets us with joy, offers a place of rest and nourishes us with the Holy Spirit,

P: Let us rejoice and receive the gracious hospitality of our God.

Unison Prayer:

We gather for worship trusting that God is with us. Even as he was with us as we awoke and dressed, ate breakfast, and traveled to this place. We gather to become more open to God's presence in our lives. Be with us in this hour and bless each of us in a special way. God is with us now, in this place, as we sing and pray, listen, and speak. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Response:

St. James (# 493 Hymnal)

St. Mark's (#734 Worship & Rejoice)

Gloria Patri

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Young at Heart: St. Mark's handing out of Bibles!



Hymn of Praise:

St. James (#287 Hymnal)

St. Mark's (#569 Worship & Rejoice)

God of Grace and God of Glory

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Apostles' Creed:

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 at 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.

Scripture Reading:

Genesis 18:1-8

Message:

You might be a servant, if...

Rev. Dr. Patrick Schultz

Hymn of Response:

St. James (#253 Hymnal, Vs 1, 2, 3, 6)

St. Mark's (#466 Worship & Rejoice)

Take My Life and Let It Be

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Offering:

Offering, tithes and gifts can be made before or after worship in the offering baskets/plates at the welcome area of the church. St. James is also set up to take on-line offerings through the website (stmstjucc.org).

Offertory Music:

~ The offering is brought to the altar ~

Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving:

Spirit of generosity and love, flow through these gifts and offerings. Work in the ministries of our church, that Christ's love may be seen clearly and felt completely in all that we say and in all that we do. In Christ's name, we pray. ~ Amen.

Prayer of the People and the Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be 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.

Hymn of Sending:

St. James: (*Worship & Rejoice Insert*)

I Am Thine, O Lord

St. Mark's: (*#408 Worship & Rejoice*)

I Am Thine, O Lord

Benediction:

... Go now to love and serve the Lord in all that you do, all that you are, and all you will be. *Amen.*

Postlude

Genesis 18:1-8

And the LORD appeared to him by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth and said, "O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, "Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes." And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

I Am Thine, O Lord

1 I am thine, O Lord—I have heard thy voice, and it told thy
 2 Con - se - crate me now to thy serv - ice, Lord, by the power of
 3 O the pure de - light of a sin - gle hour that be - fore thy
 4 There are depths of love that I can - not know till I cross the

love to me; but I long to rise in the arms of faith
 grace di - vine; let my soul look up with a stead - fast hope
 throne I spend, when I kneel in prayer and with thee, my God,
 nar - row sea; there are heights of joy that I may not reach

and be clos - er drawn to thee.
 and my will be lost in thine. Draw me near - er, near - er, bless - ed Lord,
 I com - mune as friend with friend.
 till I rest in peace with thee.

to the cross where thou hast died; draw me near - er, near - er,
 near - er, bless - ed Lord, to thy pre - cious, bleed - ing side.

Refrain