

March 21, 2021

St. Mark's United Church of Christ

St. James United Church of Christ

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Messages are uploaded to YouTube: St. Mark's & St. James UCC

Rev. Dr. Julie Mavity Maddalena
Guest Pastor

Kathy Jurk/Randy Sohn
Organist

Meditative Music

Bells Ring

Prelude Gathering for Worship

St. Mark's - *If Thou But Suffer God
to Guide Thee*

St. James - *Everlasting*

Opening Prayer of Worship:

One: The time is coming and now is:

Many: Time for love. Time for hope.

One: Time for mercy. Time for faith.

Many: Time for worship. Time for prayer.

One: Time for singing. Time for praise.

Many: The time is coming and now is.

One: Come, it is time to worship.

Prayer (all together):

Glorious God, write your name on our hearts. Inspire us with your law of love, that we might proclaim this truth: you are our God, and we are your people. In your holy name we pray, Amen.

Song of Prayer

Father, Again in Jesus Name

Prayer of Confession:

When we forget your name written on our hearts, have mercy on us, loving God. When we forget your law of love, engraved in our lives, have mercy on us, loving God. When we neglect your Spirit, living in and through each of us, have mercy on us, loving God. When we ignore your beauty, brightening and glorifying our lives, have mercy on us, loving God. Shine in us and through us, God of light and love, that we may remember this truth. You are our God, and we are your people—a people of mercy and love.

Words of Assurance (all together):

God has already created a clean heart in you. In the name of Christ, we are forgiven and made new in God's love..

Song of Assurance

Joys are Overflowing

Scripture Reading:

John 12:20-33

Message

Rev. Dr. Julie Mavity Maddalena

Praising God in Music

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

A Time of Silent Reflection and Prayer

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

St. Mark's - *Deep River*

St. James - *The Cross of Christ*

Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving (all together):

Engrave these gifts with your love, O God. Send them forth into the world, that they may reveal your presence for all to see. In your holy name we pray. Amen.

A Sending Forth Song

Spirit of God

Benediction

Postlude

St. Mark's - *Nothing But The Blood*
St. James - *Triumphal*

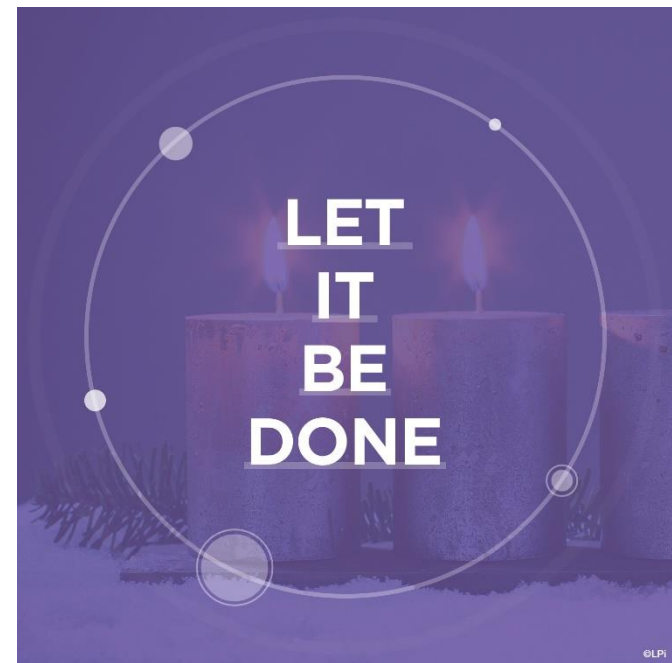


**LENTEN WORSHIP- Wednesday, March 24th,
7pm at St. Mark's UCC**

This Week's Celebrations:

Birthdays: March 22nd - Charles Kolb
23rd - Gary Kaestner, Cynthia Klapperich
24th - Corra Gumm
26th - Todd Binversie

No Anniversaries this Week



John 12:20-33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.