



LAKEVIEW



UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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August 23rd, 2026

Rev. Anthony Spearhart
Pastor

Corey Nieman
CYF Minister

Natalie Nolte
Dir. Vocal Music

Irina Hall
Dir. Instr. Music

Ministers
All People

IMPORTANT INFO

Connecting
If you are joining us for the first time, welcome! If you'd like more information about Lakeview, you can email the office: info@lakeviewucc.com, visit our website: lakeviewucc.com, or chat before or after the service with one of our fellowship volunteers/greeters.

Childcare
Nursery Care for our youngest children will be available starting at 10am in Room 7 (in the CE Wing). Older children and teens are encouraged to enjoy the opening portion of the worship service in the sanctuary. They will be dismissed to Sunday School at the Passing of the Peace.

Restrooms
You're invited to use the restroom that corresponds with your gender identity or the restroom that is the safest and most comfortable for you. Gendered, multiple-occupancy restrooms are available through the North double glass doors in the Narthex, across from the conference room.

Open and Affirming
Lakeview is an O&A church and has affirmed a public covenant welcoming people of all sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions in the full life and ministry of our congregation.

Prelude

Irina Hall

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Centering

Irina Hall

Call To Worship

One: We come carrying stories older than this moment,

All: songs, sayings, memories, and love.

One: We come with voices that still echo in our hearts

All: reminding us who we are.

One: We come to gather those pieces before God,

All: and to be strengthened for the journey ahead.

One: Come, people of God—bring your whole story.

All: Let us worship the One who holds us through every generation.

***Gathering Hymn** *Come, God, Creator, Be Our Shield* v. 1-3
[*Please stand as you are moved & able]

*Opening Prayer (Unison)

Holy One,
quiet the noise within us and awaken our hearts.
Meet us in memory, in mystery, and in this present moment.
Fill us with courage, joy, and the strength
to follow where you lead.
Amen

Passing the Peace of Christ

One: The Peace of Christ be with you

Many: And also with you.

[please be seated]

Call to Prayer

I Must Tell Jesus v.1

Prayers of the People

One: In the power and presence of God...

All: We share in your prayer.

An Inclusive Lord's Prayer[^]

Loving God, Holy is your name.
May your love be enacted in the world
May your 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
Save us in times of trial and deliver us from evil.
May all that we do come from love forever.
Amen.

Special Music

It is Well With My Soul
Phillip P. Bliss

Ben Miller
& Irina Hall

Hearing the Good News

Hebrews 12:1-3 & 2 Timothy 1:3-7

NRSVUE

Sharing the Good News

The Voices We Carry

Rev. Anthony Spearhart

[*Please stand as you are moved & able]

*Hymn

You Are Called to Tell the Story v.1- 3

[please be seated]

A Word About Giving

Ignite Peace

Samantha Searles, Program Director

[Unmarked gifts will be designated for our general operating fund. If you are making a gift to the mission of the month or any other option, please note that on your check or giving envelope (available in the pews).]

Offertory

Irina Hall

[*Please stand as you are moved & able]

*Doxology

*For time to savor God's good gifts
For space to breathe and hearts to lift
For ways to reach out and to give
We offer thanks and vow to live!
Amen.*

*Prayer of Dedication

(unison)

Holy God,
receive these gifts and the love with which they are given. Use them to
bring courage where there is fear, hope where there is weariness, and
new life where it is needed most. May what we offer today become
part of your work still unfolding among us.
Amen.

*Hymn of Sending

God of Love, We Boldly Go

*Benediction

Postlude

Irina Hall

[^]This inclusive version of The Lord's Prayer was created by our Lakeview CYF Sunday School Youth.
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Come, God, Creator, Be Our Shield

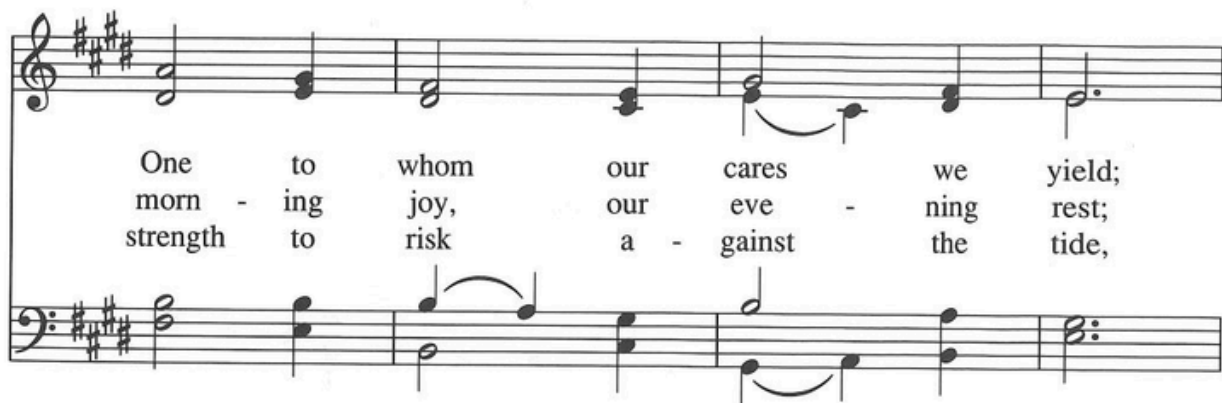
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Marion M. Meyer, 1990

Ps. 84:8-12



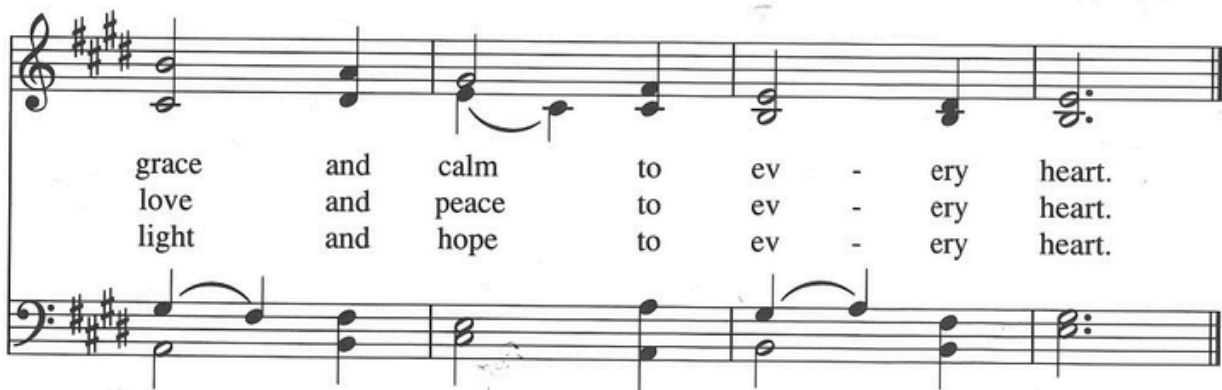
1 Come, God, Cre - a - tor, be our shield, the
 2 Come, gra - cious Je - sus, be our guest, our
 3 Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, be our guide, our



One to whom our cares we yield;
 morn - ing joy, our eve - ning rest;
 strength to risk a - gainst the tide,



And in our wor - ship, faith im - part, your
 And in our dai - ly lives im - part your
 That in God's world we shall im - part your



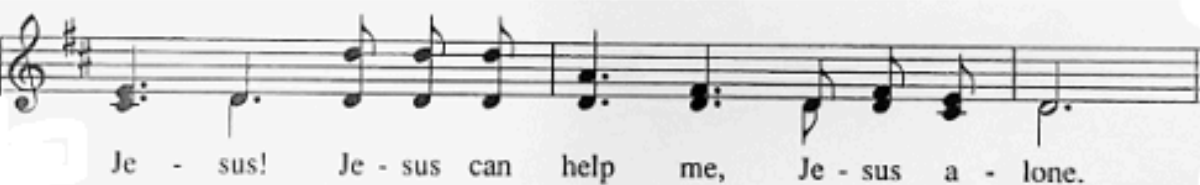
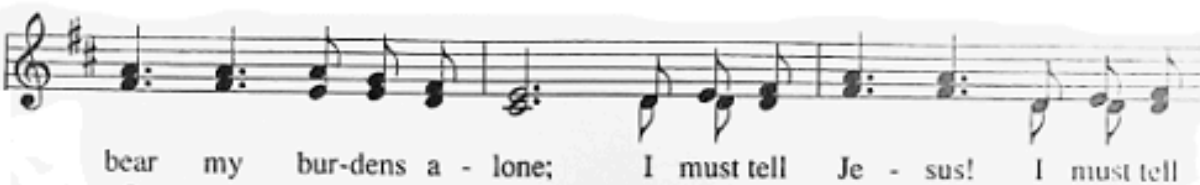
grace and calm to ev - ery heart.
 love and peace to ev - ery heart.
 light and hope to ev - ery heart.

After serving as a teacher in Baghdad, Iraq, Marion Meyer joined the staff of The Pilgrim Press and United Church Press in 1958. She retired thirty years later as senior editor. Her tune, named for Old First Reformed Church, U.C.C., in Philadelphia, was composed as a setting for the traditional table grace she adapted in stanza two.

Tune: OLD FIRST L.M.
 Marion M. Meyer, 1990
 Harm. The New Century Hymnal, 1994

Heb. 2:18

Elisha A. Hoffman, 1894; alt.

*Refrain***DONATIONS FOR KINGS FOOD PANTRY:**

The Pantry has an urgent need for Personal Care Items. These items cannot be purchased with SNAP benefits, so the pantry must use cash donations to stock them. Our assistance will be greatly appreciated.

**August: Urgent Needs****Personal Care Products:**

- Toothpaste
- Shampoo
- Body Wash
- Laundry Detergent
- Hand Soap

You Are Called to Tell the Story

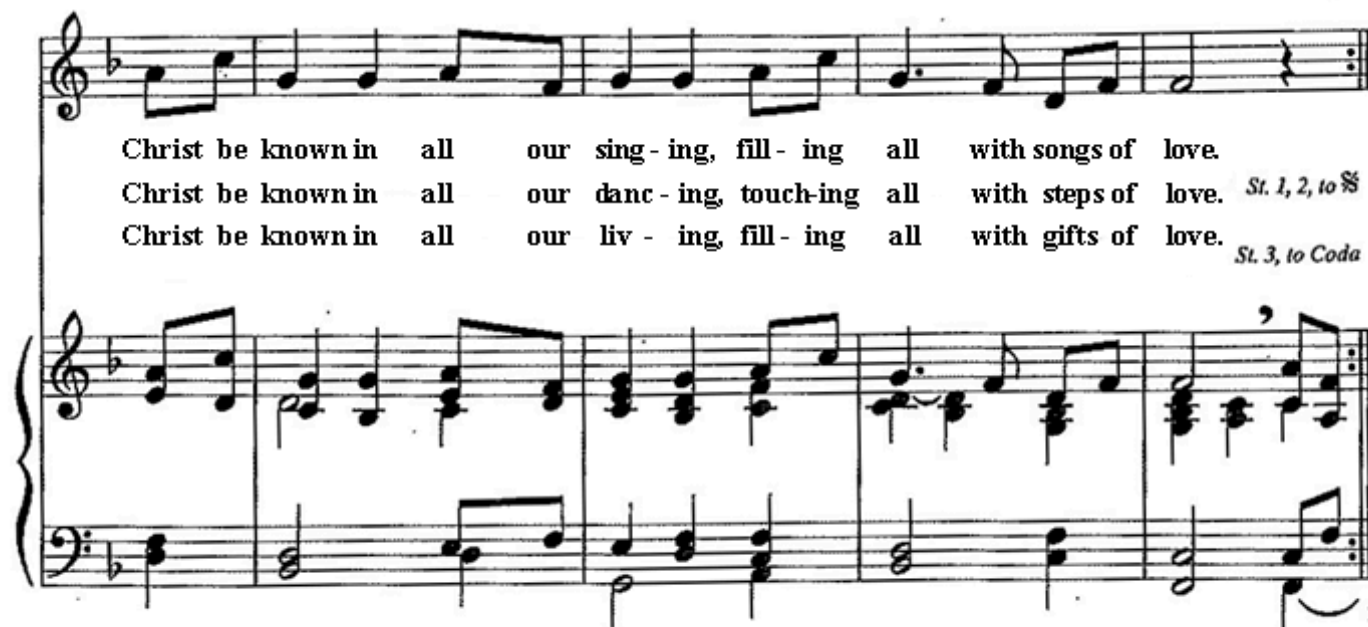


Ruth Duck, 1991

Introduction

- 1 You are called to tell the sto - ry, pass - ing words of life a - long,
2 You are called to teach the rhy - thm, of the dance that ne - ver ends,
3 May the one whose love is broad - er, than the mea - sure of all space,

Then to blend your life with oth - ers as you sing the sa - cred song.
Then to move with - in the cir - cle, hand in hand with stran - gers, friends.
Give us words to sing the sto - ry, move a - mong us in this place.



Christ be known in all our sing - ing, fill - ing all with songs of love.
 Christ be known in all our danc - ing, touch - ing all with steps of love. *St. 1, 2, to §*
 Christ be known in all our liv - ing, fill - ing all with gifts of love. *St. 3, to Coda*



Coda

Tune: JULION 8.7.8.7.8.7.
 David Hurd, 1974
 Alternate tune: REGENT SQUARE

**“No matter who you are or where you are on
 life's journey, you are welcome here!”**



We make a point to say this from the pulpit most Sundays. We like saying it. We like what it means. It means that at Lakeview United Church of Christ you don't have to be sure about your understanding of God to worship here. It means that in this community of faith you are welcome to share your gifts and your needs---no matter what they are. It means that no matter your race, nationality, sexual orientation, gender identification, age, ability, or whatever it is that makes you you, our welcome to you is extravagant! If you have found yourself excluded and alienated, spiritually homeless or questioning, you are welcome here. If you have ever felt there is no room for you within Christianity or the Church, you are welcome here. We are a community of faith that celebrates diversity and strives to fulfill our mission to: Reach out through God's spirit by Involving, Serving and Learning Together. We hope you will return and even consider joining this band of fellow travelers. Let's journey together!

God of All, We Boldly Go

May we wel-come each and all, lift-ing up di-ver-si-ty.

One in Christ, we heed your call, build-ing great-er un-i-ty.

Refrain

God of all, we bold--ly go for-ward now to love and grow.

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time, key of D major. It consists of two main verses and a refrain. The lyrics are: 'May we wel-come each and all, lift-ing up di-ver-si-ty. One in Christ, we heed your call, build-ing great-er un-i-ty. Refrain: God of all, we bold--ly go for-ward now to love and grow.'

Text by Amanda Udis-Kessler, 2025
<https://queersacredmusic.com/>

Tune: DIX 7.7.7.7. with refrain
Conrad Kocher, 1838
Adapt. William H. Monk, 1861



The first Chancel Choir rehearsal of the season will be Wednesday, September 2nd at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary.
All are welcome!

The first Handbell choir rehearsal will be Wednesday, September 12th at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary.

Choir members watch your email for the full September schedule! Please email info@lakeviewucc.com if you would like to be added to the choir email list.



August Mission of the Month: Ignite Peace-

Immigrant Dignity Coalition of Cincinnati

ignitepeace.org



After helping Cesar, Maryory, Cesar Arturo, and Marsella successfully settle in Cincinnati, our church family is expanding its immigration justice work by supporting a very active group here in Cincinnati.



Ignite Peace coordinates the Immigrant Dignity Coalition, a network of 40+ organizations dedicated to informing, connecting, and mobilizing the Southwest Ohio / Northern Kentucky community to defend and protect the dignity of the immigrant and refugee community by working in partnership with one another. In a time when we are told to fear this community of people, our faith sees the faces of those that just seek a new safe start in life. Our mission of the month will help support them through the good work of The Immigrant Dignity Coalition.



**Mark your calendar for an important Congregational Meeting,
Sunday August 30th, after worship service.**



Common Grounds will meet on Wednesday from
8:00-10:00 a.m. at:
Winans Coffee & Chocolate
49 US-22
Maineville, OH 45039

No appointment, no agenda—just come grab a cup of coffee, sit for a while, talk, laugh, ask a question, or simply spend some time together.



Join in after service today, for our Lunch & Learn Potluck, featuring Samantha Searles, Program Director for Ignite Peace, focusing on immigration justice and coordinator of the Immigrant Dignity Coalition.

If you decide to attend at the last minute, please come anyway—whether or not you bring food to share. We always have plenty! Come and enjoy the fellowship as well as the opportunity to learn more about Ignite Peace!



The August Just For Lunch will be held on Monday, Aug 31st at 12:30pm at the Rusty Bucket in Mason- Deerfield. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the church office. All are welcome, but space is limited!

THIS WEEK at Lakeview



TODAY

10:15 AM Sunday Worship

11:30 AM Lunch n' Learn

Monday, August 24

12:00 PM AA- FH

6:30 PM BSA Scouts- FH

7:00 PM AA - 12&12 Study -CR

Tuesday, August 25

3:00 PM JF Burns Parking Overflow

6:00 PM Cub Scouts- FH, CR, CE

8:00 PM AA - FH

Wednesday, August 26

8:00 AM Common Grounds w/
Pastor Anthony

10:00 AM Lakeview Quilters-CR

12:00 PM AA Meeting - FH

3:00 PM JF Burns Parking Overflow

7:00 PM NAR-Anon - rm 8

Thursday, August 27

5:30 PM SONKA Clergy Mtg - Sanct.

7:00 PM AA Meeting— FH

7:00 PM Al-Anon — CR

Friday, August 28

Saturday, August 29

8:30 AM AA Meeting- rm 8

Pastor's Office Hours this week:

Tue 10a-12p; Wed 10:30a-2:30p

Email: lakeviewuccpastor@gmail.com

Cell: (419)773-0379



Contributions to Lakeview Operations or any other designated fund can be made during offering, by using giving envelopes, via automatic bill pay at your bank, online using the Pushpay app or via the QR code here. Your generosity is deeply appreciated!

In Our Prayers

Mac McKenzie

Eric K (Joyce's friend)

Karen Baumann & Larry

Harry, Ernie, Karen (Pam's friends)

The Paul Family

Lynn Potts

Mike Maile

Tom & Ruthie McCormack

Linda Crawford & family

John & Kathy

Patsy (friend of Pam)

Trinity UCC in Dorseyville PA

Jean McEleney

Diane E. (Linda O's Sister)

Bob Barrows

Landa (Pam's friend)

Bob W. (Bill O's Cousin)



Birthdays this Week

Emily Kronenberger (23)

Karen Baumann (26)

Lynn Potts (29)

Laura Maile (29)



Office Hours this week:

Sun (today) 1:30-3:30p; Mon 11-2p;

Wed 3-6p; Thu 10-2p; Fri 12-4p

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