

Welcome to Worship at Edgewood United Church, UCC

If you are a visitor, welcome!

Here is some information to help you fully participate in worship:

- ◆ * indicates that those who are willing and able are invited to stand.
- ◆ Hymns are sung from the hymnals located under the seats in the pews.
- ◆ We strive to make worship accessible to all people. There is a Braille hymnal and large print bulletins available from the ushers. There are listening devices for those who have hearing loss, and if you have a T-coil hearing aid, you can connect directly to our sound system through the hearing loop system.
- ◆ If you would like to learn more about Edgewood, fill out the yellow card in your pew and turn it in during the “Gathering of Gifts and Tithes.”
- ◆ You are invited to wear a nametag, and probably received one already! To get a permanent nametag, take your sticky tag and put it on the red banner on the nametag table. Your new nametag will be waiting there for you next Sunday.

If you have children (or are a child), welcome!

Edgewood is a vibrant, safe community for all ages. Children and youth are welcome to remain in worship with their family or attend church school. There are activity bags available as you enter the sanctuary.

Church School and Child Care Schedule:

- ◆ Church School for grades K-12 each Sunday after “Children’s Worship.” Classrooms are in the East Wing. You can accompany your child to class, if you like, and then return to worship.
- ◆ Childcare for infants through preschool is provided for the whole service, also in the East Wing. There is a paging system for parents to stay connected.
- ◆ “After Care” for young children is available every Sunday after worship until noon in the Elementary Room in the East Wing. Parents need to sign their children in and out.

**No matter who you are, or where you are on life’s journey,
you are welcome here.**

Edgewood United Church

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Please remember these members of our church family with cards this week.

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*Cards are available
in the social hall.*

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Edgewood United Church Mission Covenant

Edgewood United Church, United Church of Christ, affirms that a loving and sustaining God is still speaking and creating. Following the life, spirit and teaching of Jesus, we welcome all as we commit to do justice and love kindness and walk humbly with God.

We welcome Rev. Campbell Lovett as our guest preacher today!

Campbell Lovett, a third-generation pastor, is the Conference Minister of the Michigan Conference, United Church of Christ. Before beginning his Michigan ministry in 2012, Campbell served as an Interim Minister, Pastor, Co-Pastor, and Senior Minister at both historic and new churches in New England and North Carolina. In addition to leadership positions at Association, Conference and National settings of the UCC, Campbell has served on the boards of agencies promoting food independence and community organizing.

His work with the Michigan Conference is in providing associations, churches, clergy and laity with an extensive support system, while challenging them to a deeper vision of Christian ministry; strengthening them in their efforts to be faithful in mission; and linking them to the wider church and to each other.

Campbell and his spouse, Eileen, a regional sales representative and quilter, reside in Haslett, Michigan and are the parents of two grown sons, Samuel, a university chaplain in Worcester, Massachusetts; and Nathan, a lawyer in Washington, DC.

♪ MUSIC NOTES ♪

Praise His Holy Name” by Keith Hampton

*Sing 'til the power of the Lord come down.
Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy Name!*

*Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see.
Jesus, Jesus, how I love Thee!
Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy Name!*

*Must Jesus bear the cross alone and all the world go free?
No, there's a cross for everyone and there's a cross for me.
Jesus, Jesus, how I love Thee!
Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy Name!*

*Holy Jesus, Praise His name, Oh! Hallelujah!
Let us praise His Holy Name!*

I had the pleasure of meeting Dr. Keith Hampton at last summer's UCC Musicians' Association conference, and in the course of our conversation learned that he once served as a Teaching Assistant at Northwestern University to former Edgewood Director of Music Dr. Robert Harris. Dr. Hampton is an organ performer, conductor, composer, educator, church musician, adjudicator, and workshop clinician, and is the Founder and Artistic Director of the Chicago Community Chorus (CCC). He is currently serving both as Director of Music/Organist at St. Thomas Episcopal Church and as Assistant Director of Music at Trinity United Church of Christ, both in Chicago. Classically trained as an organist and conductor, and a specialist in the field of Gospel Music, Dr. Hampton was selected in 2010 by the North Central American Choral Directors Association as one of the top 25 Contemporary Composers, "whose composition, *Praise His Holy Name*, should be standard repertoire for choirs today and for the next 25 years." Since we didn't have that piece in the Edgewood choir library, I thought it was time we get on board and sing it!! - Monty

MEDITATION

"This is the way station that knows that not all the pieces of the puzzle of life can be found, that the ones found do not always fit, and that the picture formed isn't what was expected. This is the sanctuary that knows full well that life itself is cruciform and that Jesus has gone ahead of us on the journey, but not instead of us. This is also the sanctuary that knows there is water for the thirsty, salve for the weary, laughter for the needy, and forgiveness for fresh beginnings."

—Larry L. Rasmussen

PRELUDE

God Be Our Stay

Elizabeth Clarke

G.P. Telemann

WORDS OF WELCOME

Ellen Grafius

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: From comfortable pews, from tricycle seats, from easy chairs in front of TVs:

People: God gathers us in to give us the words to proclaim the gospel.

Leader: At kitchen sinks, at laptops and blackboards, at nursing stations:

People: Christ calls us to share in serving all creation.

Leader: In communities gathered to pray, in memories of those who served, in families grilling in the backyard:

People: The Holy Spirit fills us with God's joy.

*PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: God meets us wherever we are. Let us be the hands and voices of God by shaking hands, extending a high five, and saying to our neighbors, "Peace be with you!"

People: **"And also with you."**

You are invited to share words of welcome and peace with those around you.

*HYMN

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

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MORNING PRAYER

Dear God: your mercy is wide, your justice is kind, and there is no place our sorrows are felt more than in your kin-dom. May our worship inspire us to multiply your love to all we encounter: friends, neighbors, strangers, and even our enemies. In the easy moments and the difficult ones, may we be guided by the Holy Spirit's wisdom and Christ's compassion. Amen.

ANTHEM

Praise His Holy Name
Edgewood Adult Choir
(Words to the anthem and music notes are on page 6.)

K. Hampton

CHILDREN'S TIME

Following Children's Time, children and youth are invited to attend Church School. If they would like to remain in worship, children and youth are always welcome to stay throughout the whole service.

SCRIPTURE

John 17:6-21

I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth. 'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.'

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us, for the word of God within us, thanks be to God.

SERMON

Overlooked
Rev. Campbell Lovett

MOMENT FOR QUIET REFLECTION

*HYMN

Help Us Accept Each Other

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SHARED PRAYERS**PASTORAL PRAYER & SILENT PRAYER****THE DISCIPLES' PRAYER**

Our Creator 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 dominion and the power and the glory, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE**OFFERING INVITATION****GATHERING OF GIFTS AND TITHES**

Amazing Grace

J. Mansfield

***PRESENTING OUR GIFTS**

Halleluja

**Halle, halle, halleluja!
Halle, halle, halleluja!
Halle, halle, halleluja!
Halleluja, halleluja!**

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***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Fruitful God, may these gifts nourish your beloved children with wisdom, compassion, and creativity so that your Beloved Community is deepened and recognized: eternal life made manifest in the here and now. Amen.

***HYMN**

O Come to Me, You Weary

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BENEDICTION**BENEDICTION RESPONSE****POSTLUDE**

Fugue in C

A. Van Den Kerckhoven