



Urbandale
 United
 Church of
 Christ
 God is still speaking

“No matter who you are or where you are on life’s
 journey,
 you are invited and welcome here.”

A Just Peace and Open and Affirming congregation

May 1, 2022

10:00 a.m.

Third Sunday of Easter

Easter is a day and season to celebrate new life, resurrection, and hope. White is our liturgical color that represents light, innocence, joy, triumph, and glory.

PRELUDE: Reflections Joel Raney

GREETING

“Fishing provides that connection with the whole living world. It gives you the opportunity of being totally immersed, turning back into yourself in a good way. A form of meditation, some form of communion with levels of yourself that are deeper than the ordinary self.” Ted Hughes

❖ *This symbol invites the congregation to stand in body or spirit **Bold** type indicates a unison response*

❖ CALL TO PRAYER AND PRAISE

One: Are you hungry?
All: Listen and be fed.
 One: Are you lonely?
All: Listen and feel the Presence.
 One: Are you sad?
All: Listen to be heard.
 One: Are you rejoicing?
All: Listen for joy multiplied.

ANTHEM “Jesus Is The Living Stone” Mary McDonald
 Adult Choir

He is Jesus, Rock of Ages, our Messiah the Prince of Peace.
 Lord our refuge, strength and power, and his love will never cease.
 He is Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the End!
 Our Redeemer, Master, Savior, Jesus, Comforter and Friend.
 Jesus is the firm foundation, for our Lord He died alone.
 He’s the Rock the mighty fortress, Jesus is the Living Stone.
 The foundation never wavered, like an anchor through every storm.
 He’s the rock of our salvation, Jesus calms the raging storm.
 Yesterday, today, forever, His love reaches everyone.
 From His birth to heaven’s glory, Jesus Christ, the Great I Am!

TAKING STOCK OF OUR BLESSINGS AND RESOURCES

Financial sharing of resources to support the mission and ministry of Urbandale UCC may be given in person, sent to the office, or donated through our website. We are participating in a special offering for One Great Hour of Sharing through the month of April.

PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

You, the One who sends the fish to fill the nets, thank you for abundance too great to carry. You, the One who prepares a meal in our presence, thank you for food that feeds our bodies and souls. You, the One who waits to be recognized, thank you for voices that reveal who you are. With gratitude, we offer our lives to follow you and love the world in your name. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

John 21:1-19 (Inclusive Bible)

¹ Later Jesus again was manifested to the disciples at Lake Tiberias. This is how the appearance took place. ² Assembled were Simon Peter, Thomas “the Twin,” Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, Zebedee’s children, and two other disciples. ³ Simon Peter said to them, “I’m going out to fish.” “We’ll join you,” they replied, and went off to get into their boat. All through the night they caught nothing. ⁴ Just after daybreak, Jesus was standing on the shore, though none of the disciples knew it was Jesus. ⁵ He said to them, “Have you caught anything, friends?” “Not a thing,” they answered. ⁶ “Cast your net off to the starboard side,” Jesus suggested, “and you’ll find something.” So they made a cast and caught so many fish that they couldn’t haul the net in.

⁷ Then the disciple whom Jesus loved cried out to Peter, “It’s the Teacher!” Upon hearing this, Simon Peter threw on his cloak—he was naked—and jumped into the water. ⁸ Meanwhile the other disciples brought the boat to shore, towing the net full of fish. They were not far from land—no more than a hundred yards. ⁹ When they landed, they saw that a charcoal fire had been prepared, with fish and some bread already being grilled. ¹⁰ “Bring some of the fish you just caught,” Jesus told them.

¹¹ Simon Peter went aboard and hauled ashore the net, which was loaded with huge fish—one hundred fifty-three of them. In spite of the great number, the net was not torn.

¹² “Come and eat your meal,” Jesus told them. None of the disciples dared to ask, “Who are you?”—they knew it was the savior. ¹³ Jesus came over, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴ This marked the third time that Jesus had appeared to the disciples after being raised from the dead. ¹⁵ When they had eaten their meal, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon ben-John, do you love me more than these?” Peter said, “Yes, Rabbi, you know that I’m your friend.” Jesus said, “Feed my lambs.” ¹⁶ A second time Jesus put the question, “Simon ben-John, do you love me?” Peter said, “Yes, Rabbi, you know that I’m your friend.” Jesus replied, “Tend my sheep.” ¹⁷ A third time Jesus asked him, “Simon ben-John, do you love me as a friend would?” Peter was hurt because Jesus asked, “Do you love me?” a third time. So he said, “You know everything, Rabbi. You know that I am your friend.” Jesus said, “Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ The truth of the matter is, when you were young, you put on your own belt and walked where you liked; but when you get old, you will stretch out your hands and someone else will put a belt around you and take you where you don’t want to go.” ¹⁹ With these words, Jesus indicated the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then the savior said, “Follow me.”

MEDITATION

“Whose Talking?”

Pastor Coqui Conkey

SACREMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation; Communion Prayer; Blessing and Sharing the Bread and Cup

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

❖ CLOSING HYMN

“You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore”

#173

BLESSING

POSTLUDE

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

Douglas Wagner

You are invited to conclude your time of worship by remaining in your seat and listening to the Postlude.

<p style="text-align: center;">SERVING AT URBAN DALE UCC THIS SUNDAY Opening/Closing the Church: Today, Chris Jordan Liturgist: Bridget Edwards Worship Greeters: Liz Colton & Claudia Dhainin Mash A/V Booth: Ryan Nussbaum (video) and Scott Davis (Audio)</p>

This Week at UCC

Sunday, May 1

9:00 am Adult Spiritual Formation
9:00 am Matu Sunday School
10:00 am Worship: Communion
11:00 am PreK-5th Grade Sunday School
12:30 pm Light Mission Pentecostal Church
1:00 pm Matu Bethel Church

Monday, May 2

Tuesday, May 3

11:00 am Staff Meeting
5:30 pm Parenting Way
6:00 pm Scouts

Wednesday, May 4

7:00 pm Adult Choir
7:30 pm AA

Thursday, May 5

Friday, May 6

Saturday May 7

11:00 am Lois Strickler Service
3:00 pm Light Mission Pentecost
6:00 pm Matu Bethel Church

Upcoming Sundays

Sunday, May 8

9:00 am Adult Spiritual Formation
9:00 am Matu Sunday School
10:00 am Worship: Graduates
11:00 Pre-K-5th Sunday School
12:30 pm Light Mission Pentecostal Church
1:00 pm Matu Bethel Church

Sunday, May 15

No Adult Spiritual Formation
9:00 am Matu Sunday School
10:00 am Worship
12:30 pm Light Mission Pentecostal Church
1:00 pm Matu Bethel Church

Adult Spiritual Formation: Next Sunday

May 8th. A year in review with outgoing moderator Diane Dornburg.

Next Sunday, May 8th: End of the Program Year & Highschool Senior Recognition

Please join us to honor our graduating high school seniors in worship and teachers/youth leaders in worship.

We celebrate the following graduates: Trinity Allen, Leah Gardner, Kendric Santos-Briggs, Jacob Walters, Anna Gosling, Mercer Carter-Shields

Lois Strickler Service

A Celebration of Life for Lois Strickler will be held on Saturday, May 7th at 11:00 a.m. The service will be in the Sanctuary with a reception following in the Fellowship Hall. We will also livestream the service on our Facebook page.

Annual Meeting

The church's Annual Meeting will be Sunday, May 22nd.

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“You Have Come Down To the Lakeshore”

Hymn #173

You have come down to the lakeshore seeking
Neither the wise nor the wealthy, But only
Asking for me to follow.

(refrain)

*O Jesus, you have looked into my eyes;
Kindly smiling, you've called out my name.
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;
Now with you I will seek other seas.*

You know full well my possessions, Neither
Treasure nor weapons for conquest, just these my
Fish nets and will for working

Refrain

You need my hands, my exhaustion,
Working love for the rest of the weary==
A love that's willing to go on loving.

Refrain

You who have fished other waters;
You, the longing of souls that are yearning;
As loving Friend, you have come to call me.

Refrain