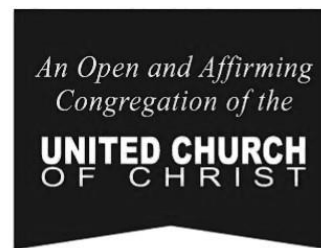




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January 16, 2022

10 a.m.

Second Sunday after Epiphany

PRELUDE

We Shall Overcome
Tim Berger, saxophone

WORDS OF WELCOME

Cyndy Hall

***CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION**

Lou Daniel

UCC Resources for MLK, Jr. Sunday

One: Listen, people of God, for the voice of God is calling: "The ultimate measure of a [person] is not where [they] stand in moments of comfort and convenience, but where [they] stand at times of challenge and controversy."

All: In difficult times, God calls us to join the movement of courageous truth-tellers.

One: In comfortable times, God calls us to join the movement of silence-breakers.

All: In times of struggle, God calls us to join the movement toward freedom.

One: In times of peace, God calls us to join the movement toward justice.

All: In all times, God calls us to join with the movement of the Spirit.

One: Listen, people of God, for the voice of God is calling: "Make a career of humanity. Commit yourself to the noble struggle for equal rights. You will make a better person of yourself, a greater nation of your country, and a finer world to live in." Let us pray.

OPENING HYMN

Precious Lord

Remote worshipers are invited to submit prayer requests via YouTube chat - prayer requests received prior to the sermon will be shared during "Prayers of the People."

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 36:5-10

Carol Hauke

TIME OF UNBURDENING (in unison)

Ann Vivian

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND PASSING THE PEACE

WORD OF GOD FOR (SM)ALL AGES

Hilah Clarke

GOSPEL READING

1 Corinthians 12:1-12

Amanda Grace

MEDITATION

"Love, Listen, Do"

SPECIAL MUSIC

Blessed Assurance

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER

SILENT 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.**

OUTREACH WITNESS

Bobbi Holzel

CALL TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Words Spoken by Martin Luther King

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(also under the video title on YouTube)
or by texting FCCBUCC to 73256 - or mail a check payable to:
First Congregational Church at 38 South Winooski Avenue, Burlington, VT 05401*

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**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CLOSING HYMN

Steal Away

*BIDDING TO MISSION AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

What a Wonderful World

**Please stand as you are able, in body or in spirit.*

Fellowship on Zoom: All worshiping remotely are invited to a virtual time in fellowship following worship. The Zoom link is in the YouTube description for this morning's live stream and on the front page of the First Church website: www.firstchurchburlington.org

NOTES ON TODAY'S SERVICE

Special thanks to our Worship Team for planning and leading worship this morning.

WELCOME VISITORS!

Welcome to First Congregational Church in Burlington. Our faith is over 2,000 years old, but our thinking is not! First Church opens its doors to the Greater Burlington area, to seekers, to tourists from near and far, to those in need, to an array of building users, and to a congregation (of members, friends, and family—both curious and the committed) who call our faith community their church home.

We celebrate the sacred worth of all persons as unique individuals made in the image of God. Whatever your age, race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, marital status, or physical, cognitive, or emotional ability, we invite you to find a safe and nurturing spiritual home with us. All are

welcome to participate, fully and without reservation, in the life, leadership, ministry and mission of this church as we seek to grow together in a community of faith.

The First Congregational Church of Burlington is an Open & Affirming Church of the United Church of Christ. This means everyone – **everyone** – is welcome. Including YOU!

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• Eric Davis, *Digital Usher*

Many thanks to all our musicians who are helping out while we wait for our new Music Director, Amy Shortt to arrive in mid-February!

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