

**Lyonsville Congregational United Church of Christ**  
October 10, 2021 at 10:00am

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The meeting ID is 708 246 1255. The password is 60525.

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*To manage noise, all participants are muted except for congregational participation.*

Mike Molloy, Worship Artist  
Diane Marelli, Worship Artist  
Nayna Byers, Liturgist

We welcome Ben Swihart to the pulpit.

**Gathering Music/Prelude**

“Brethren, We Have Met to Worship” arr. Joel Raney

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**Greeting**

*One:* This is the day the Lord has made!

*All:* **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

**Call to Worship**

*One:* God, you create it all

*All:* **Everything**

*One:* God, you bless it all

*All:* **Everything**

*One:* God, you give it all

*All:* **Everything**

*One:* God, you ask for it all

*All:* **Everything**

**Opening Song**

“The Church of Christ In Every Age”

(Chalice Hymnal 475, Verses 1, 2, & 3)

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The church of Christ in every age,  
beset by change but Spirit led,  
must claim and test its heritage  
and keep on rising from the dead.

Across the world, across the street,  
the victims of injustice cry  
for shelter and for bread to eat,  
and never live until they die.

Then let the servant church arise,  
a caring church that longs to be  
a partner in Christ's sacrifice,  
and clothed in Christ's humanity.

### **Passing the Peace**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

### **Word for Children**

Ben Swihart

### **Scripture Reading**

Mark 10: 17-31

Cindy Fiandaca, Reader

### **The Word in Music**

"Spirit of Jesus, If I Love My Neighbor"  
Words by Brian Wren, Music by Jonathan McNair  
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### **Sermon**

"The Most Expensive Gift"

Ben Swihart

### **Reflection Song**

"Seek Ye First"

(Chalice Hymnal 354)

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Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
and God's righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you.  
Allelu, alleluia.

Ask, and it shall be given unto you;  
seek and ye shall find,  
knock, and the door shall be opened unto you.  
Allelu, alleluia.

## Prayers of the People

### The Lord's Prayer

### Offering our Gifts and Prayers

#### Invitation

**Online Giving:** [lyonsvillechurch.org/donate](https://lyonsvillechurch.org/donate) OR via the "Realm Connect" app

**Mail Giving:** Mail contributions to: 6871 Joliet Road, Indian Head Park IL 60525.

#### Music at the Offertory

#### Doxology

"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need", arr John Carter

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#### Prayer of Thanks

## Announcements

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### Closing Song

"Give Thanks"

(Chalice Hymnal 528)

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Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
give thanks to the Holy One,  
give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his son. (repeat)

And now let the weak say "I am strong";  
let the poor say "I am rich"  
because of what the lord has done for us. (repeat)

Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
give thanks to the Holy One,  
give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his son. (repeat)

And now let the weak say "I am strong";  
let the poor say "I am rich"  
because of what the lord has done for us. (repeat)

Give Thanks!

**Sung Blessing** – “Go In Peace”

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**Go in peace and the peace of God be with you this day.  
Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always.  
Celebrate and share the joy! Celebrate new life!  
Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always.**

**Postlude**

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

Isaac Watts, Public Domain

**IN-PERSON WORSHIP COVID GUIDELINES**

We understand that combining three main precautions reliably leads to safe indoor gatherings: mask wearing, distancing, and ventilation. Our policies are consistent with guidance and requirements from local, state, and federal public health authorities and our wider United Church of Christ. As conditions change, we will review and adjust these policies as well:

- **Everyone over the age of 2 will need to wear a mask that covers their mouth and nose, regardless of vaccination status.**
- **Every other pew will be available for seating. Unavailable pews will be marked off. Maintain at least 6 feet in distance from those outside your household.**
- **Windows will be open to provide ventilation. (even in cooler weather)**
- **Fellowship Hour will be outdoors in East parking lot (weather permitting). We ask that people leave the building as soon as service ends. You are encouraged to bring a lawn chair or blanket to enjoy distanced fellowship. You may remove your mask outdoors, if you would like. In case of inclement weather, fellowship time will be held indoors without food and beverage.**
- **Worship leaders may choose to lead without a mask while on the chancel if they are vaccinated AND have tested negative for COVID within the previous 72 hours.**

For the safety of all of us, we request good-natured adherence to these policies. Thank you.