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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU

Our musician this morning is Linda Missad (she/her). Thank you, Linda, for sharing your music ministry with us!

CRAFT SHOW

Thank you to everyone who helped with the craft show and bake sale yesterday! Special thanks to Angel Dannenberg, Taliyn Merchant, Abby LaBarge, Laura Pickerd, Pat Thompson, Pat Vieau, Sandy Lyon, Rick Dannenberg, and the craft show planning team.

FAITH & POLITICS

The Faith and Politics class will be meeting after worship today in the Parlor at 11:30am. Feel free to get some goodies and then join us.

RALLY DAY

Next Sunday, September 22, is Rally Day and the start of our Sunday School year! Our teachers and Christian Ed Team are looking forward to sharing stories from the Bible and deepening our faith and understanding of God's goodness. A normal month for our children will be that children will remain in worship with their families on first Sundays, second and fourth Sundays they will go to Sunday School after the Children's Moment, and on third Sundays they will join the Junior Youth Group for service projects after the Children's Moment. We are looking forward to a great year!

WELCOME

On Sunday, September 8, Council unanimously approved Rae Mieskowski to conduct his required field education work from Chicago Theological Seminary at our church as a Student Pastor starting today and concluding in May of 2025. This non-paid position will offer him a wealth of learning opportunities and help our church grow in new ways as well. Welcome, Pastor Rae!



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PRELUDE.....Original Composition
Linda Missad (she/her)

WELCOME AND SHARING OF ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: As God's people, we have gathered for worship.

All: Some of us are discouraged and others joyful, still we seek God's love.

Pastor: Let us center ourselves in the solace of this sanctuary.

All: Let us embrace the peace of God's presence.

Pastor: Let us be comforted in the warmth of God's love.

All: We are prepared to serve and to follow Christ.

OPENING SONG....."To You, O God, All Creatures Sing"
Hymn #17 (black), verses 1-4

CHILDREN'S MOMENT.....Rae Mieskowski (he/him)

PASSING THE PEACE

UNISON PRAYER

Everlasting God, You see us completely and love us as we are. You know our hopes, fears, gifts, and wounds. Inspire us to heal and grow as we journey through life. Open our hearts and minds once again to Your still-speaking voice, so that we may transform understanding into action. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING.....Mark 8:27-30
Kelly Lockwood (she/her)

SERMON.....Who Are You?
Pastor Dan Furman (he/him)

PRAYER SONG....."Blessed Be the Tie that Binds"
Hymn #393 (black)

PASTORAL PRAYER.....The Lord's Prayer
(words on screen)

THE OFFERTORY.....Original Composition
Linda Missad (she/her)

DOXOLOGY

OFFERTORY PRAYER

CLOSING SONG....."I Love to Tell the Story"
Hymn #522 (black)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE.....Original Composition
Linda Missad (she/her)

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Open & Affirming Statement

Hudsonville Congregational United Church of Christ is an Open and Affirming church. We celebrate our human family's diversity of race, age, cultural background, physical and mental ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, family structure, education, faith history, economic status, marital status, spiritual journey, and life circumstances. Aided by this God-given gift of diversity, we strive to reflect God's unconditional love to all creation, and we affirm that all people are created in God's image. We welcome the full inclusion of all people in the life and ministries of Hudsonville Congregational United Church of Christ. We believe that God is still speaking and as Jesus prayed, one day we will all be one.

We recognize that the universal church has at times rejected difference and denied God's promises for itself and others. We believe we can love alike, even though we may not think alike. So, we boldly proclaim, "Welcome, ALL who seek God's life-giving grace. Come as you are, so together, we will make a world of difference.

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PRAYERS

Remember our elderly and home bound.

Anyone who has covid and/or is facing illness this morning.

The families of Palestine.

All those who are grieving loved ones.

Kelly Pelon, Pat Haynes, Brad Elders,

Phyllis Roh, Al Wooton, Sonny Bailey, and Shelby UCC.



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September 15, 2024

Rev. Dr. Daniel Furman, Senior Pastor (he, him)
Rev. Traci Parker, Associate Pastor (she, they)
Mr. Rae Mieskowski, Student Pastor (he, him)

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