

**October 23, 2022**

**Prelude and Chimes**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

Leader: It is a time of good rain, early and abundant,  
that renews and does not flood.

People: **We are the gatherers  
of all that nourishes body and soul,  
for we work  
among a harvest of possibility.**

Leader: It is a time of good trouble,  
bringing justice without violence,  
a time of unexpected spirit  
bringing new words, understandings.

People: **We are the Everyone  
who receives God's spirit,  
the Everyone who shares God's spirit,  
in spoken word and Sign,  
in song, text, Braille, code, hand-reaching.**

Leader: You are gatherers, who are not washed away,  
the troublemakers of a trouble called love,  
the Anyone, dangerously open.

**\*Hymn #600:** "How Lovely Is Your Dwelling"

**\*Invocation**

**God, we come from years of losses – pandemic years, disappointment years,  
hiding years – and from broken days, wasted hours, painful moments. Yet our  
hands are out, expecting love so wide it seeps through our fingers. We hold only  
what we share. We receive only what is shared with us – worship blessings, life  
blessings, surprising blessings. Amen**

**\*Passing of the Peace** "Peace Like a River", verse 1, using ending 2 page 478

**I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river, in my soul.**

**Stewardship Moment**

Jeff Knutson

**Scripture Reading:**

Joel 2: 23-32

Terry Henderson

## **Anthem**

## **Time with Young Disciples**

**Sermon:** “What Vision Are You Seeing?”

**\*Hymn #451:** “Be Now My Vision”

**The Community at Prayer** (*Joys and Concerns, Prayers for the People, Lord’s Prayer*)

If you are watching online, type any prayer requests in the chat by the end of the sermon and we can voice them and get the names on the prayer list.

## **Prayer Response**

### **Invitation to the Offering**

*(Opportunities to give for the ministries of this church are available through an offering plate during service, by mailing your gift to the church office, or by signing up for electronic giving through our website.)*

### **\*Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God for all that love has done  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

### **\*Prayer of Dedication**

**God, you who have everything, we bring our offering and enter your spirit. This is your generosity to us — we can share with you in the giving and receiving of gifts. May these be blessed for each use.**

**\*Hymn #531:** “God, Speak to Me, That I May Speak”

\*Commissioning and Blessing

\*Choral Response

\*Postlude

***Repay the Years:*** *Service Prayers for the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost* were written by Maren C. Tirabassi, a UCC pastor, author of fiction and non-fiction, and also “a hiker in autumn leaves and a lover of fireside moments in the company of dogs, reading poetry and novels and finding myself praying.”