

Now I hears talkin about de Constitution and de rights of man. I comes up and I takes hold of dis Constitution. It looks mighty big, and I feels for my rights, but der aint any dare. Den I says, God, what ails dis Constitution? He says to me, "Sojourner, dere is a little weasel in it."

Sojourner Truth, Abolitionist, Evangelist, Feminist : 1797? – 1883

The rule of law does not do away with the unequal distribution of wealth and power, but reinforces that inequality with the authority of law. It allocates wealth and poverty in such calculated and indirect ways as to leave the victim bewildered."

Howard Zinn, Historian, Political Theorist, Educator : 1922 – 2010

If we could be friends by just getting to know each other better, then what are our countries really arguing about? Nothing could be more important than not having a war if a war could kill everything."

Samantha Smith, Student, Peace activist : 1972 – 1985

Prayer Candles: Is there a person or relationship that needs a prayer?  
Please come forward and light a prayer candle before our worship begins.

## Greeting One Another in Peace and Friendship

### Welcome and Announcements

**The Prelude** *Fanfare Danza* T. Susato; arr. K. McChesney  
Bodwell Hand Bell Choir, Rachel Dobbs, *Director*

### The Centering Silence

**The Introit** *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*  
Traditional Dutch Melody, arr. M.L. Thompson  
Bodwell Hand Bell Choir, Rachel Dobbs, *Director*

\* **The Gathering Hymn** *O For A World* #683

### \* The Call to Worship

L: Let us stand up, Let us stand up for a world where love conquers hate.

**P: Let us stand up for a world where justice outshines oppression.**

L: Let us stand up for a world where peace calms the ravages of war.

**P: Let us stand up for a world where collaboration is the victor over domination.**

L: Let us stand up for a world where sharing eradicates hoarding.

**All: Let us stand up for a world where God reigns, where all people can live without fear, where neighborly love stretches beyond our immediate neighborhoods, and where the Earth's bounty is shared among all peoples.**

### The Gathering Prayer (unison)

**Good and Gracious God, spread your wings over all your people, that everyone might live free from oppression and fear. Give us generous hearts that we eagerly share our bounty with those who might otherwise go without. Where we have clutched closely to that which we should have been willing to share, forgive us. Where we have lavished in comfort and even luxury while others wallow in poverty and misery, forgive us and help us find ways to respond to the needs of this aching world. We are your people, O God, and ask that you bless us with hearts and minds that are truly grateful for your bounty and will lead us into your service of love for all. Amen**

**The Anthem** *Three Marian Hymns* Traditional, arr. K. Snyder  
Bodwell Hand Bell Choir, Rachel Dobbs, *Director*

**A Time for the Child in Each of Us** Robert Shetterly

**Sing Our Children to Sunday School** (*seated*) *Go Now In Peace* #437(*twice*)

**Go now in peace, go now in peace, may the love of God surround you everywhere, everywhere you may go.**

**The Prayer Hymn** *O Day of God Draw Near* #700

### The Silent Prayer and Pastoral Prayer

#### The Lord's Prayer (unison)

**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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

**The Congregational Response** *O Lord, hear my prayer* Taize Community

**O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer. When I call answer me.**

**O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.**

**The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: All my hope comes from God.**

**The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well-spring of life.**

### The Offering Prayer of Dedication (*unison*)

**So much justice yet to be established; so much pain yet to be healed.**

**So much peace yet to be realized; so much love yet to pour forth.**

**Accept, O God, the fruits of our labor. Amen**

**The Offertory** *Beside Still Waters* Young

\* **The Doxology** # 21

**Let the whole creation cry, Alleluia! Glory be to God on high! Alleluia!**

**Sun and moon, lift up your voice, Alleluia! Night and stars in God rejoice, Alleluia!**

**The Gospel Reading** *Luke 6:20-21, 27-30, 37-38*

**The Sermon** *To Stand Up a Stone* Robert Shetterly

\* **The Parting Hymn** *For the Healing of the Nations* #668

### \* The Benediction

\* **The Congregational Benediction** (*unison*). #677

**May the Lord nurture in each of us the song of a lover,  
the words of a poet, the inquisitiveness of a child  
the determination of a prophet and the dedication of a disciple.**

**Go now in peace.**

\* **The Postlude** *Air in Olden Style* Hastings

## Today's Plate Offering

### unmarked gifts

**OPEN DOORS:** CUF's mission to and for our community is to keep the church doors open to promote community-building activities and encourage positive relationships. Many local, **non-profit** groups use our beautiful facility— Girl Scouts, Orono Health Association, Euphony, Women of the World, Still Water Sangha, Operation Breaking Stereotypes--to name just a few! Relationships are formed, plans are made, lessons are learned, and community is built and nourished with love and laughter. CUF considers the cost of our open doors (heat, lights, cleaning) a benevolence gift to the greater Orono/Old Town community. Won't you help?

### marked gifts (check or envelope)

#### PLEDGE:

Your weekly/monthly/annual commitment to the life of our church.

### THANKSGIVING BASKETS

The CUF Social Justice Team will again be delivering Thanksgiving Baskets to needy families in our area on the afternoon of **Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>.**

The Baskets will include a Thanksgiving dinner and will be supplemented with extra food. **Please consider bringing food donations to church on Sunday November 17<sup>th</sup>.**

Peanut butter, canned soup, tuna fish, pasta, tomato sauce, cheese, crackers, rice, etc. will be added to the Baskets. If more convenient, **items may be dropped off earlier at the Church Office.** Our October plate offerings cover the cost of the Baskets each year. Please place checks or cash envelopes in the Offering Plate marked "Thanksgiving Baskets".

**Please make checks payable to  
The Church of Universal Fellowship.  
Memo your check or envelopes  
Pledge or Baskets**

**Please put your name on envelopes.**  
(unmarked gifts will support "Open Doors")

Thank you for your generous giving to  
**Doctors without Borders!**  
CUF sent a check over \$1263 for the  
Hurricane Relief effort!