



Haslett Community Church
United Church of Christ

Sunday, April 30, 2023
10:00 AM

We strive joyfully and prayerfully to warmly welcome all, freely share our blessings, and humbly explore God's love.

haslettcommunitychurch.org

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We strive to ensure that all are comfortable worshipping with us. Therefore, we:

- Offer three ways to worship: in our Sanctuary, from your car in our south lot (radio to 88.7 FM - turn up your volume) and via livestream (see website for details).
- Provide large print worship bulletins and hearing assist receivers in the sanctuary upon request – an usher would be happy to help you
- Have a building that is barrier free with accessible restrooms. Gender neutral bathrooms are downstairs and are accessible by stairs and elevator.
- Are an Open & Affirming Church which means we welcome and affirm persons of every gender, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, ability, age, race, nationality, economic status, faith background, marital status, or family structure.

Three Ways to Worship
Sundays at 10:00 am



1. In person
2. Parking lot (car radio on 88.7 FM)
3. Remotely (via YouTube)

The church office is open for On-site Office Hours Tuesday & Thursday 10:30am - 1:00pm.

Pastor Betsy is in the office Tue-Fri. Appointments recommended, or come for her drop-in office hours on Wednesdays from 11:30am - 1:00pm.

We love to see you, so please stop by!

Your staff continues to be available to serve you by email and phone outside these on-site hours as well.

We welcome families and households of every size and age and want children to know they are welcome here. Therefore, we:

- Don't mind when children wiggle and make noise in church—your whole family is welcome here! We also have nursery care downstairs staffed by safety-trained volunteers.
- Have preschool through 5th Graders begin each week in worship, and then offer Sunday School following the Children's Moment most weeks
- Have vibrant and active middle and high school youth groups for 6th-12th graders

Our Vision:

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and humbly explore God's love.*

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2023 10:00 am

*When you see an *, you are invited to stand as you are able. When text is in **bold**, you are invited to speak aloud.*

For Your Meditation: We can no longer let the people in power decide what is politically possible. We can no longer let the people in power decide what hope is. Hope is not passive. Hope is not blah, blah, blah. Hope is telling the truth. Hope is taking action. And hope always comes from the people." - Greta Thunberg, Youth4Climate Summit, 2021

Gathering

Welcome

Prelude

Call to Worship (used during worship of the Covenant Association Spring Meeting on 4/22/23)

In the beginning, the Spirit of God moved over the waters,

And God said "Unbind creation and let her out!" and God declared it to be Good.

God said, "let there be light" and called the light "Day" and the darkness "Night."

God spoke the word to call the land from the water, pulling Lake Superior down to the depths and raising Sand Dunes above the waters, and in God's eyes they were Good.

God's word called to life the soybean and the milking cow, the robin and the earthworm,
The honeybee and the Gray Wolf, the microbe and the Muskellunge, and God's heart saw them to be Good.

Then God spoke a final time, making creatures who carry the divine image: us.

Forming humans by holy word, diverse beings together, to tend and steward all that God had made.

And God saw that it was all Very Good.

And God declared that it is all Very Good.

On the seventh day, God rested.

And on this Earth Day, we come to worship and remember our role as partners in creation.

*** Opening Hymn**

“Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”
(please see insert)

Unknown
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Prayer of Approach (attributed to Lakota Elder, Chief Yellow Lark, 1887)

O, Great Spirit, whose voice I hear in the winds,
Whose breath gives life to the world, hear me. I come to you as one of your many children.
I am small and weak.
I need your strength and wisdom.
May I walk in beauty.
Make my eyes ever behold the red and purple sunset.
Make my hands respect the things you have made, and my ears sharp to your voice.
Make me wise, so that I may know the things you have taught your children,
the lessons you have written in every leaf and rock.
Make me strong,
Not to be superior to my brothers,
but to fight my greatest enemy: myself.
Make me ever ready to come to you with straight eyes,
So that when life fades as the fading sunset,
May my spirit come to you without shame. °

Moment of Quiet Reflection

Hymn Response

“Halle, Halle, Halle”
(please sing two times)

Caribbean Melody

Congregation

Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ia. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ia. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ia. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ia!

First Reading

Acts 2: 43– 47

Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵ they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ Day by

day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Anthem "Fairest Lord Jesus" arr HAKES

Children's Moment

Second Reading **Romans 12: 4-8**

For as in one body we have many members and not all the members have the same function, ⁵ so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶ We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸ the encourager, in encouragement; the giver, in sincerity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Sermon "Finding Your Niche" *Addy Stuever, Climate Justice Fellow*

Hymn "Under One Sky" Source Unknown
(please see insert)

Announcements and Invitation to Share the Offering

Offertory "Day by Day" Schwartz

* Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Christ all creatures here below; One God, Triune, whom we adore. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

* Benediction

Choral Benediction Response "The Peace of the Earth" from Guatemala
arr. Bell



Everyone is invited to the dedication of the Pollinator Garden and sign on the north side of the building following worship today!

We worship every Sunday at 10:00 am, and you are welcome to join us.



YOUTH ON A MISSION TACO SALE

MAY 7TH

PRE ORDER BEFORE WORSHIP AND YOUR ORDER WILL BE READY TO GO AFTERTWARDS

HOMEMADE TACO MEALS INCLUDE (CHICKEN, PORK OR BEEF):

RICE, BEANS & TWO TACOS FOR \$10.

TACOS CAN BE PURCHASED A LA CARTE FOR \$5 PER TACO.

HOMEMADE CHIPS: \$7 A BAG

PICO (SALSA): \$6

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARD OUR 2023 YOUTH MISSION TRIP TO NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

Thank you for continuing to support Haslett Community Church as you are able. We receive your gifts with gratitude. We have some no-touch options to help make your giving easy and safe:

- Use your phone camera to scan the QR code to the right to access our Online Giving.
- Text GIVE to our secure giving number: 517-200-3995
- PayPal us at: HCCgenerosity@gmail.com



We are so grateful for your generosity!

Ministry Connections
Reaching Out to Each Other and Our Community
April 30, 2023



We heartily welcome all to our service of worship.

May the comfort and challenge of God's loving presence renew and inspire you this morning and throughout the coming week.



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CHURCH CALENDAR (Apr. 30 - May 7)

Sunday 4/30/2023	8:30- 9:30 AM	Breakfast in April #3 (FH,K)
	10:00 AM	Worship (S, PL, Online) <i>Addy Stuever preaches</i>
	10:00 AM	Sunday School
	11:15 AM	Pollinator Garden Dedication
	5:00 - 6:30 PM	YOUTH: MS Youth Grp (YR)
	7:00 - 9:00 PM	YOUTH: HS Youth Grp (YR)
Monday 5/1/2023	7:00 PM	Mission Outreach Meets (FH)
Tuesday 5/2/2023	9:45 AM	HCC Staff Meeting (FH)
	10:30AM - 1PM	Onsite Office Hours (Ofc)
	7:00 PM	Safety Team Meets (FH)
Wednesday 5/3/2023	11:30 AM - 1PM	Betsy Office Hours (Ofc)
	6:00-7:00 PM	Wed. Wisdom & Wondering (FH)
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal (S)
Thursday 5/4/2023	9:00 - 9:45 AM	Sermon Preview Group (Z)
	10:30 AM - 1PM	Onsite Office Hours (Ofc)
Saturday 5/6/2023	9:00 AM	Men's Grp Meets (Z)
	11:00 AM	Sylvia Aho Memorial (S)
	PM	YOUTH: Chip Making (FH,K)
Sunday 5/7/2023	10:00 AM	Worship (S, PL, Online) <i>Rev. Erin Heisler preaches</i>
	10:00 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Coffee Fellowship (Fr)
	11:00 AM	YOUTH Taco Sale (FH)
	5:00 - 6:30 PM	YOUTH: MS Youth Grp (YR)
	7:00 - 9:00 PM	YOUTH: HS Youth Grp (YR)

Legend: CR=Choir Rm; Edge=Edgewood UCC; FH= Fellowship Hall; Fr = Friendship Hall; L=Library; OD1= Door1; Ofc=HCC Office; K =Kitchen; PL=Parking Lot ; S=Sanctuary; SS=Sunday School Rooms (downstairs); YR=Youth Rm; Z=Zoom

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Wednesday Wisdom & Wonderings is back on Wednesday nights April 26 - May 24

In person and via Zoom:
 Meeting ID: 815 3710 6943 Passcode: 48840

Wednesday Wisdom & Wondering presents:

the power of
 storytelling

a class in the art of telling
 your own true stories



Blend the beauty of storytelling in
 Scripture with the wisdom of
 The Moth,
 and learn to share compelling
 personal stories

Class will culminate in an
 optional Story Slam!



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Our thanks this morning to:

Reader:	Don Flagg
Greeters:	Bob & Sally Heisler
Ushers:	Don & Kelly Flagg
Coffee Hosts:	No Coffee today
Audio/Visual Techs:	Helen & David Jones
Tellers	Don Flagg & Rich Newport

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Thank you for worshiping with us! If you are visiting, or would like to know more about Haslett Community Church, you are invited to:

- Take a “Purple Dove Cup” for your household on your way out – it has some helpful info and a treat inside.
- Fill out a “Welcome!” card available in the seat in front of you, and drop it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher so that we might be in touch with you in the ways you indicate would be helpful.
- Ask questions if you have them; our Pastors, ushers, and the people sitting around you are great sources of information and are happy to help you feel comfortable here.

No matter who you are, or where you are on life’s journey, you are welcome at Haslett Community Church where we strive to welcome everyone with the same unconditional hospitality demonstrated by the love of God in Christ for all people.

Today We All Are Called to be Disciples

KINGSFOLD



1 To - day we all are called to be dis - ci - ples of the
2 God made the world and at its birth or - dained our hu - man
3 Pray jus - tice may come roll - ing down as in a might - y
4 May we in ser - vice to our God act out the liv - ing



Lord, to help to set the cap - tive free, make
race to live as stew - ards of the earth, re -
stream, with righ - teous - ness in field and town to
word, and walk the road the saints have trod till



plow - share out of sword, to feed the hun - gry, quench their
spond - ing to God's grace. But we are vain and sad - ly
cleanses us and re - deem. For God is long - ing to re -
all have seen and heard. As stew - ards of the earth may




thirst, make love and peace our fast, to serve the
proud; we sow not peace but strife. Our dis - cord
store an earth where con - flicts cease, a world that
we give thanks in one ac - cord to God who




poor and home - less first, our ease and com - fort last.
spreads a dead - ly cloud that threat - ens all of life.
was cre - at - ed for a har - mo - ny of peace.
calls us all to be dis - ci - ples of the Lord.

Under One Sky




1. Un - der one sky, there are o - ceans deep, Un - der one sky, there are
2. Un - der one sky, there is hon - ey__ sweet, Un - der one sky, there's e -

5



moun - tains steep, Un - der one sky they are all__ a part of ev - 'ry thing
nough to eat, Un - der one sky it is all__ a part of ev - 'ry thing

9



Un - der one sky there's a ba - by's cry, Un - der one sky, a mo - ther's
Un - der one sky, there are birds that sing, Un - der one sky, there are

13




lull - a bye, Un - der one sky we are all__ a part of ev - 'ry - thing. And
dreams with wings, Un - der one sky we are all__ a part of ev - 'ry - thing.

18



when we lo - ok up, from where ev - er__ we are, we see__ one sun, one

23



— moon and a mil - lion, bil - lion, tril - lion, zil - lion stars.

27



Un - der one sky.

(Back)

Repeat last phrase 3x