



Haslett Community Church
United Church of Christ

Sunday, June 4, 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 88.7FM)
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.*

Trinity Sunday and Joyful Offering

June 4, 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: *United in Christ's love, a just world for all.* - Vision Statement of the United Church of Christ

The United Church of Christ (UCC) is a distinct and diverse community of Christians that come together as one church to join faith and action. With over 5,000 churches and nearly one million members across the U.S., the UCC serves God in the co-creation of a just and sustainable world. The UCC is a church of firsts, a church of extravagant welcome, and a church where "...they may all be one" (John 17:21). - from the "About Us" section of ucc.org.

Gathering

Welcome

Choral Call to Worship

"I Was Glad"

Wooten

Call to Worship

Come!

Come and worship,

you who woke early and you who slept late;

you who come often, and you who don't.

Whether we are first or last or somewhere in between,

there is room for all of us in God's kingdom,

and more than enough grace to go around.

Let's worship God together!

*** Hymn #402**

"De Colores / Sing of Colors"

Mexican Folk Song

DE COLORES

Prayer of Approach

God and Creator of all humankind,

your son Jesus Christ prayed that your church might be one

even as you our God are one.

May you renew our minds and rekindle your love in our hearts,

so that by the power of the Spirit,
we might find the Oneness that you intend for us.
God, may we see in your Oneness
our need for unity,
God, may we see in your Three-ness
our need for community
God, may we see in your creativity
our need for diversity,
God, may we see in your Self
our need to love each other.
Amen.

Moment of Quiet Reflection

Hymn Response #393

“Blessed Be the Tie That Binds”
(verse 1)

Fawcett
DENNIS S.M.

First Scripture Reading

Matthew 20: 1-16

“For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴ and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵ When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. ⁶ And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around, and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ ⁷ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ ⁸ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ ⁹ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰ Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹ And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹² saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Anthem

“River in Judea”

Marcus/Feldman
arr. Leavitt

*** Passing the Peace of Christ**

The peace of Christ be with you;
And also with you.

Second Scripture Reading

John 17: 20-26

“I ask not only on behalf of these but also on behalf of those who believe in me through their word,²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.²² The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one,²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.²⁴ Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.”

²⁵ “Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you, and these know that you have sent me.²⁶ I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them and I in them.

Sermon

“Who Are We? UCC! Distinct, Diverse, United”

*** Hymn #391**

“In the Midst of New Dimensions”
(verses 1-3)

Rush
NEW DIMENSIONS

Announcements

Invitation to Share Tithes & Offerings and Joyful Offering

Offertory

*** 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 #81**

“God Be With You”

Rankin

* **Postlude**



After worship, you are invited to join us for Coffee Hour in Friendship Hall.

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



An Evening of Art Films & Conversation with Erik Ferguson

NEXT SUNDAY, June 11, 6:00 p.m. on Zoom

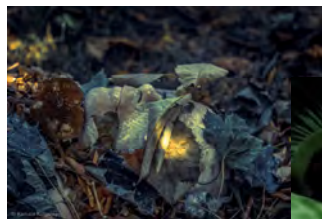
Together we will watch two short art films and engage in conversation with one of the directors, performers, and founders of Wobbly Dance!

Erik Ferguson and Yulia Arakelyan formed [Wobbly Dance](#) more than 15 years ago as an interrogation on the meaning of dance, and performance in the context of the disabled body, being human and seeking spirit in its many forms. Characterized by lush, immersive, and fantastical natural environments, their work, both live and in film is challenging, beautiful and full of questions.

We will be watching their films, *Waking the Green Sound*, *a Dance Film for the Trees* and *Tidal*. The first follows three characters across three landscapes through extremes of anguish, joy, and curiosity. The second explores a story book ocean scene as two partners don their CPAP masks like scuba divers falling back ward into a dream of water, breath, mystery, and Love.

Join us by [CLICKING HERE](#) or
use: Meeting ID: 860 7509 8665
Passcode: 48840

This program is expected to last
about 90 minutes.



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- Text GIVE to our secure giving number: 517-200-3995
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Ministry Connections
Reaching Out to Each Other and Our Community
June 4, 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 (June 4 - June 11)

Sunday 6/4/2023	10:00 AM	Worship (S, PL, Online) <i>Joyful Offering for Re-Member</i>
Last Choir	10:00 AM	Sunday School (SS)
Sunday	11:00 AM	Coffee Fellowship (Fr)
	11:15 AM	Inquirer's Class (S)
	1:00 - 4:00 PM	Spiritual Life Retreat (L)
Monday 6/5/2023	6:30 - 9:00 PM 7:30 PM	Scout Honor Ceremony (FH,K,S) Social Committee Meets (Fr)
Tuesday 6/6/2023	9:45 AM 10:30AM - 1PM	Staff Meeting (FH) Onsite Office Hours (Ofc)
Wednesday 6/7/2023	11:30AM - 1 PM	Betsy Office Hours (Ofc)
Thursday 6/8/2023	10:30 AM - 1PM	Onsite Office Hours (Ofc)
Saturday 6/10/2023	9:00 AM	Men's Group Meets (Z)
Sunday 6/11/2023	10:00 AM	Worship (S, PL, Online)
	10:00 AM	Sunday School (SS)
Celebrate	11:00 AM	Coffee Fellowship (Fr)
Graduating	11:15 AM	Knitters, Crocheters, etc. (L)
Seniors	6:00 - 8:00 PM	Art Films & Conversation (Z) <i>with Erik Ferguson</i> <i>(wobblydance.com)</i>

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

Haslett Community Church welcomes You!

If you are visiting, please take a purple dove cup with a sweet treat and helpful information on your way out!

We worship every Sunday at 10:00 am.



Since worship attendance was low last week, today, our children will re- collect their Joyful Offering for Re-Member.

In 2023, each time we collect our Joyful Offering it will go to support a different organization, ministry, or non-profit. This will give our children and our congregation the opportunity to learn about many different organizations doing important work in our world!

Today's Joyful Offering will go to support Re-Member. Re-Member is a non-profit that serves alongside the Oglala Lakota Nation at Pine Ridge, SD. Haslett Community Church, and the Michigan Conference of the UCC, have a history with Re-Member. You can learn more about Re-Member, [HERE](#).

If you have been visiting, are new to our church, or would like to explore becoming a member, Inquirer's Class is for you!



Inquirer's Class is **TODAY, June 4, 11:15 a.m.** in the Sanctuary with Pastor Betsy.

Questions? Ask Betsy: 517.339.8383 x11 or aho.betsy@att.net



Summer Concert Series 2023!!

Thursdays, 7-8 pm;

June 15 - July 20

Free for everyone!

Back for a third summer!
 Bring a chair, your favorite beverage, & snack to relax on the lawn at HCC and enjoy some great entertainment!

The Staff:

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Sally Sanchez	Custodian		

Our thanks this morning to:

Readers:	Laura Clark-Roumpz
Greeters:	Barb & Steve Decker
Ushers:	Rich Baumgartner & Ann Pierce
Coffee Hosts:	Tim & Laura Roumpz
Audio/Visual Techs:	Jim Gornick
Tellers	Rich Baumgartner & 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.

De colores

(Sing of Colors)

Mexican folk song

Transl. The New Century Hymnal, 1995

A A7 D

1 De co - lo - res, de co - lo - res se vis - ten los
 1 Sing of col - ors, sing of col - ors that o - ver the
 2 Sing, re - joic - ing! Ev - ery crea - ture that breathes raise a

Em

cam - pos en la pri - ma - ve - ra. De co -
 hills in pro - fu - sion are spring - ing; Sing of
 song to the God of cre - a - tion. Sing, re -

A7 A9 Em7 A7(#11) A7

lo - res, de co - lo - res son los pa - ja - ri - tos que vie - nen de a -
 col - ors of the birds that fly out - side my win - dow their can - ti - cles
 joic - ing! Sing to God who so ear - nest - ly cares, who has of - fered sal -

D D A7 D

fue - ra. De co - lo - res, de co -
 sing - ing; Sing of col - ors, in the
 va - tion. Sing the good news! Sing the

This Mexican folk song is known by many Mexican-American churchgoers, and has also been popular among the United Farm Workers.

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Tune: DE COLORES
 Mexican folk song
 Arr. Alfredo Morales, F.S.C.

Blessed Be the Tie That Binds

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*John Fawcett, 1782; alt.**Gal. 3:28; 6:2; Col. 3:13-15*

1 Blessed be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris - tian love;
2 Be - fore our God we come and pour our ar - dent prayers;
3 We share each oth - er's woes, each oth - er's bur - dens bear,
4 When we are called to part it gives us in - ward pain,

The shar - ing of a com - mon life is like to that a - bove.
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
And of - ten for each oth - er flows a sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
But we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.

An English Baptist minister, John Fawcett published a number of poetic works. His entire ministry was spent at a church near Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire, where he wrote most of his hymns to follow his sermons.

Tune: DENNIS S.M.
Melody by Johann G. Nügeli (c. 1768-1836)
Adapt. Lowell Mason, 1845

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In the Midst of New Dimensions

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Julian Rush, 1985; alt.

Gen. 9:12-16; Exod. 13:21-22; Num. 14:14

C C/B F C F Am7 Dm7 G7sus4 G7

1 In the midst of new di-men-sions, in the face of chang-ing ways,
 2 Through the flood of starv-ing peo - ple, war - ring fac-tions and de - spair,
 3 As we stand a world di - vid - ed by our own self - seek - ing schemes,
 4 We are man and we are wom-an, all per-sua-sions, old and young,
 5 Should the threats of dire pre-dic-tions cause us to with - draw in pain,

C C/B F C F Am7 Dm7 G C

Who will lead the pil - grim peo - ples wan-dering in their sep - arate ways?
 Who will lift the ol - ive branch-es? Who will light the flame of care?
 Grant that we, your glob - al vil - lage, might en - vi - sion wid - er dreams.
 Each a gift in your cre - a - tion, each a lovesong to be sung.
 May your blaz-ing phoe-nix spir - it res - ur - rect the church a - gain.

Refrain
 Am Em F C F C G7 C Dsus4 D7 G7sus4 G7 Am

God of rain-bow, fier - y pil - lar, lead-ing where the ea - gles soar, We your

Em F C F C/E F C/E F C/E Dm7 G7 C

peo-ple, ours the jour-ney now and ev - er, now and ev - er, now and ev - er - more.

Julian Rush, an ordained minister in the United Methodist Church, has spent more than a decade as director of the Colorado AIDS Project. He wrote this hymn on the theme of "diversity" for a meeting of the Rocky Mountain Conference (United Methodist).

Tune: NEW DIMENSIONS 8.7.8.7. with refrain
 Julian Rush, 1985
 Arr. The New Century Hymnal, 1994

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Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1880; alt.

1 God be with you till we meet a - gain; By good coun-sel guide, up - hold you,
 2 God be with you till we meet a - gain; Wings of shel-ter safe - ly hide you,
 3 God be with you till we meet a - gain; When life's per - ils thick con-found you,
 4 God be with you till we meet a - gain; Keep love's ban-ner float - ing o'er you,

With a shep-herd's care en - fold you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 Dai - ly man - na still pro-vide you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 Put un - fail - ing arms a - round you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 Smite death's threat-ening wave be - fore you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.

Refrain

Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Je - sus' feet;
 till we meet, till we meet a - gain, till we meet,

till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 till we meet, till we meet a - gain,

Written during his last pastorate, at First Congregational Church in Washington, D.C., Jeremiah Rankin's hymn spread quickly throughout America and England by way of Moody and Sankey's revival meetings. Rankin later served as the seventh president of Howard University.

Tune: GOD BE WITH YOU 9.8.8.9. with refrain
 William G. Tomer, 1880

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