



St. John's Chapel  
United Church of Christ

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**Liturgist — Shirley Datema**

January 22, 2012

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

10:30 A.M.

*(\* All who are able, please stand.)*

10:20 A.M.

**Prelude**

"Meditational Music"

played by Kyle Aho

**Gathering**

Today's worship continues an Epiphany theme. We focus on hearing the Lord's call. Reflect on Mark 1:14:20 and 1 Corinthians 7:23-24, 29-31

*Space to write down your thoughts:* \_\_\_\_\_

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*You may wish to light a candle at the Communion table to symbolize the concerns or joys you carry with you to worship, or whatever is in your heart and mind.*

*Communion is also available at the altar during this time.*

**Lighting of Candles**

10:30 A.M.

**Ringling of the Bells**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Celebration**

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us

**People: And may God's face shine upon us,**

Leader: That God's way may be known upon the earth,

**People: And God's saving power proclaimed from our lips.**

Leader: Let the people turn to the only One who can prevent  
**Unison: Evil from stamping out the hope and light of Epiphany.**

**\*Opening Hymn** "Jesus Calls Us" No. 541

**\*Call to Confession**

Leader: "The time is fulfilled, and the realm of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the gospel."

People: **Believing the gospel, we repent our sins and confess them to God.**

**\*Prayer of Confession** The Rev. Dr. John White

**\*Silent Meditation and Personal Confession**

Pastor: Amen.

People: **Amen.**

**\*Assurance of Forgiveness**

**\*Gloria Patri** ("Glory Be to the Father" No. 9 in *Sing to the Lord*)

**Gideon's International** Mark Frost

**\*Hymn** "Higher Ground" No. 467

**Morning Prayer, Lord's Prayer** (*Using debts and debtors*) & Choral Response

**Offertory** "Breathe On Me, Breath Of God " by Robert Jackson  
played by Kyle Aho

**\*Doxology and Dedication Prayer** ("Praise God" No. 7 in *Sing to the Lord*)

**Offering Prayer:**

**Anthem** "Mighty Power of God" lyrics by Watts

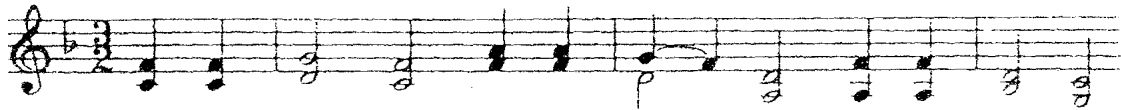
**Reading of Holy Scripture** 1 Corinthians 7:23-24, 29-31 pg. 1042  
Mark 1:14-20 pg. 910

**Sermon** "Hearing The Bugle Call" The Rev. Dr. John White

**\*Hymn**

**Restless Weaver"**

Ola Irene "Cricket" Harrison



1. Rest - less Weav - er, ev - er spin - ning threads of jus - tice  
2. Where earth's frag - ile web is rav - eling help us mend each  
3. When our vio - lent lust for pow - er ends in lives a -  
4. Rest - less Weav - er, still con - ceiv - ing new life—now and



and sha - lom; dream-ing pat - terns of cre - a - tion  
bro - ken strand. Bless our ur - gent, bold en - deav - ors  
bused and torn, from com - pass - ion's stur - dy fab - ric  
yet to be bind - ing all your vast cre - a - tion



where all crea - tures find a home; gath - ering up life's var - ied  
cleans - ing wa - ter, air, and land. Through the Spir - it's in - spi -  
rash - ion hope and trust re - born. Where in - jus - tice rules as  
in one liv - ing tap - es - try: you have called us to be



fi - bers—ev - ery tex - ture, ev - ery hue: grant us your cre -  
ra - tion—of - fer - ing health where once was pain—strength - en us to  
ty - rant, give us cour - age, God, to dare live our dreams of  
weav - ers. Let your love guide all we do. With your Reign of



a - tive vis - ion. With us weave your world a - new.  
be the stew - ards of your world knit whole a - gain.  
trans - for - ma - tion. Make our lives in - car - nate prayer.  
Peace our pat - tern, we will weave your world a - new.

## **United Church of Christ Statement of Faith Doxology)**

We believe in you, O God, Eternal Spirit,  
God of our Savior Jesus Christ and our God,  
and to your deeds we testify:

You call the worlds into being,  
create persons in your own image,  
and set before each one the ways of life and death.

You seek in holy love to save all people from aimlessness  
and sin.

You judge people and nations by your righteous will  
declared through prophets and apostles.

In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and  
risen Savior,

you have come to us  
and shared our common lot,  
conquering sin and death  
and reconciling the world to yourself.

You bestow upon us your Holy Spirit,  
creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ,  
binding in covenant faithful people of all ages,  
tongues, and races.

You call us into your church  
to accept the cost and joy of discipleship,  
to be your servants in the service of others,  
to proclaim the gospel to all the world  
and resist the powers of evil,  
to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table,  
to join him in his passion and victory.

You promise to all who trust you  
forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace,  
courage in the struggle for justice and peace,  
your presence in trial and rejoicing,  
and eternal life in your realm which has no end.

Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto you.  
Amen.<sup>43</sup>

**\*Benediction**

**\*Congregational Response "Ours the Journey"**

God of rain-bow, fier - y pil - lar, lead - ing where the ea - gles soar,  
we, thy peo - ple, ours the jour - ney now and ev - er, now and ev - er,  
now and ev - er - more. Now and for - ev - er - more!

**\*Moment of Silence**

**Postlude**

"Jesus In The Joy Of Living,"  
played by Kyle Aho

By Alfred Ackley

**We are pleased to have The Reverend Dr. John White in our pulpit the morning. We also wish to welcome Mark Frost of the Gideon's International . Welcome to you both.**

### **Our Mission Statement**

St. John's Chapel UCC is called to love unconditionally, seek justice, foster spiritual growth, and embrace diversity of thought and body as taught by Jesus Christ.

### **Please remember the following people in prayer:**

**Liz Jordan**— She is still at Walnut Lawn and she is doing physical therapy. She is in Room 314.

**Isabella Nelson**— She is the daughter of Thad & Kristy Nelson. She has been having seizures and she is in Cox South for testing.

### **Remember our members who are unable to attend:**

**Flo Valentine** at Ravenwood Assisted Living 1950 E. Republic Rd. Spfd., MO. 65804. Pastor Becky visited Flo this week, and she is doing well.

**Virginia Steury** at 1820 Plaza Drive Nixa, MO. 65714. Virginia is doing well . Pastor Becky spoke to her this week, and they are still in the midst of their kitchen remodel.

### **Friends to Pray for:**

**Mary Jane Peterson:** She is a friend of Betty Huneke's. She has undergone chemotherapy and radiation for treatment of cancer of the esophagus. The cancer has returned.

**Lori Lott:** The Chapel has helped her with her utility bills, and please pray that she gets back on her feet. Be looking for her to visit us in the next few weeks.

### **Our Stewardship for 01/15/ 2012**

Worship: 78 Offering: \$2,166.00

Sunday School: No report Offering: \$

*The average weekly offering needed to meet annual budget is \$2,375.00*

### **DIRECTORY UPDATES:**

Larry & Kathy Pittman no longer have a land line and last week the phone numbers got mixed up, so here are the corrections:

Kathy's Cell # 839-1647

Larry's Cell # 332-7677

Sorry for the mix up and thank you.



Sunday School — 9:15 AM

Worship — 10:30 AM

Pastor's Day Off — Friday

Secretary's Office Hours: 8:30 AM — 1:00 PM

### **Upcoming Meeting To Vote On A Change To Our Constitution**

There will be a short meeting to vote on a change to Constitution of St. John's Chapel, January 29, 2012, after worship. The changes are posted in the Narthex and on the bulletin board in the hallway near the office. There are inserts to the bulletin also. Please tell other members who are not in attendance today about this upcoming vote.

### **Thank You**

We would like to thank everyone for all that has been done for us during our most difficult time with Earl's illness and passing.

Thank you for the prayers, visits, phone calls and many cards.

Many thanks to Pastor Becky for her prayers, visits, and all of her support.

Thank you to everyone from the Friendship Circle for all of the delicious food which they delivered to our home. Thank you to everyone for your acts of love and kindness given to our family. Your expressions of sympathy will always be remembered.

Irene Reed and family

### **The Koinonia's Are Meeting**

The Koinonias are meeting on Saturday, January 28, at Touch Restaurant at 5:30 P.M. They will be planning the 2012 Sausage Supper. There is an Early Bird menu with choices that make up a three course meal, priced at \$16.95. You must order this special menu before 6:00 P.M.

Please R.S.V.P. to, or if you have questions about this event call Jeanne Kruger at 887-0375 or Eleanor Lockhart at 881-3811. All are invited to attend.

Touch restaurant is located at 1620 E. Republic Rd. , Springfield, MO.65804

### **Volunteers Needed for UCC Conference**

Want to get involved with the UCC at a conference level? Want to feel more in tune with what's going on state-wide? The Missouri-Mid-South Conference is looking for a couple of people in our area to serve as deacons, visiting nearby UCC churches several times a year, and bringing conference greetings and messages. Interested? Contact Mary Lou Datema for more info.823-7907

**You, whether a member or guest,** are an important and valuable part of this St. John's Chapel Community. Your participation in this worship service is a blessing. May you always know God's gift of unending love.

**A nursery** is available during worship for children up through three years of age. If you need help locating the nursery, please ask an usher.

**Hearing-assistance devices** are available for use during worship. If you would like to use one, please ask an usher to get one for you.

**January 22, 2012**

Gary & Elaine Tebbenkamp will open the church in January

TODAY:      Worship.....10:30 am  
                 **Rev. Dr. John White preaching**  
                 Mark Frost from Gideon's International

Monday      Grace & Weight.....5:30 pm

Wednesday      Choir Practice-Liz is gone.....7:00 pm

Thursday      The Board of Service Ministries Prayer Group meets at the Chapel  
                 from 9:00 to 10:0 A.M. All are invited.

Saturday      Pastor Becky returns on 01/28/12

**Next Sunday, January 29th:**

**Installation of Officers**

**A short meeting following worship.** We are voting a change to the Chapel's Constitution

Pastor Becky is on vacation. She has gone to Texas to see here new grandson. She will be back on January 28th. Please don't hesitate to call the office if you have a need that arises while she is gone.

Please make plans to attend the 2012 Sausage Supper on February 20,2012.  
There will be more details soon to follow.

