



Eyes of Jesus Mosaic

Varying depictions of Jesus tiled together to form one picture, and one interpretation, of Jesus.

Meditation Thought *“If the church is to survive as a place where head and heart are equal partners in faith, then we will need to commit ourselves once again not to the worship of Christ, but to the imitation of Jesus. His invitation was not to believe, but to follow.”*

— Rev. Robin R. Meyers Mayflower Congregational UCC Oklahoma City, OK

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

We lift up our souls to you, Holy God.

We trust the Lord with our past, present, and future.

Teach us, Lord, that we may know your ways.

Guide our every move, Holy One, that we may walk in your paths of love and mercy.

Let us worship the One who leads us in what is right.

Together, let us worship God!

Hymn *“Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love”* # 498 New Century Hymnal

(Refrain) Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve
the neighbors we have from you.

Knelt at the feet of his friends, silently washing their feet,
Jesu, you acted as servant to them.

Refrain

Neighbors are rich and poor, varied in color and race,
neighbors are near and far away.

Refrain

These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love,
all these are neighbors to us and you.

Refrain

Loving puts us on our knees, showing our faith by our deeds,
serving the neighbors we have from you.

Refrain

Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet,
this is the way we should live with you.

Refrain

Invocation and Lord's Prayer

**Gracious Lord, how shall we do your will today?
Will it be in acts of praise, in gifts shared, in prayers lifted?
Who will you lead us to serve? Help us trust you. Help us listen.
Bless this community as we come together in worship.
Encourage us, comfort us, unite us, make our joy complete, as we pray with one heart
the words Jesus instructed his disciples to pray so long ago:
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 debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen**

Music Offering *"Do You Believe?"* Dave Frost, Tenor

Scripture: Philippians 2:1-13

Sermon: *"Impersonator or Imitator?"*

Music for Reflection *"God Will Take Care of You"* Dave Frost, Tenor

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn *“Won’t You Let Me Be Your Servant?”* (vss. 1-4, 6) # 539 NCH

Won’t you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey, we are travelers on the road;
We are here to help each other go the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you in the shadow of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh, I’ll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow till we’ve seen this journey through.

Won’t you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

Benediction

God Be with You

**God be with you ‘til we meet again
By God’s counsels guide uphold you
With God’s sheep securely fold you.
God be with you ‘til we meet again.**

Postlude



**Today’s altar flowers are given by Warren & Martha Clement in loving memory
of Paul & Claudine Clement.**



Announcements

A Call to a Special Meeting of the Congregational Church of Laconia, United Church of Christ Sunday, September 27, 2020

In accordance with Article IV, Section 1b of the Bylaws of the Church, the Executive Committee is calling a Special Meeting of the Congregation on Sunday, September 27, 2020.

The purpose of the meeting is to;

- Present an expanded Treasurer's Report to the Congregation.
- Present a comparative status report regarding the 2020 budget
- Detail the current property improvement plans of the Property and Finance Committee.

Additionally, the Congregation will be briefed on several financial decisions approved by the Property and Finance Committee this summer. All were briefed to Council at their August meeting, without objection.

The Special Meeting will be streamed immediately following today's worship service.

Prayer Requests: Please post prayers as early as possible today during the service. If you're watching today's service on YouTube you may send in your prayer requests via the comment section on the YouTube page. Also, you may post your prayers on the Prayer Wall on the website and throughout the week please remember to contact Pastor Neil if you have needs to share. While we may not be able to be together and pray by your side physically, we do want to be in prayer with you.

Church office hours
Monday, Wednesday and Friday
9 AM – 3 PM

Next week the **Outdoor Worship Service at 10:45 a.m.** *Be sure to contact Pastor Neil if you plan on attending the outdoor service . neil@laconiaucc.org*
And remember to wear your masks and practice safe distances!

September Devotionals will be on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. on Zoom.

Be looking next week for the new link for the October devotionals.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84197254271>

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