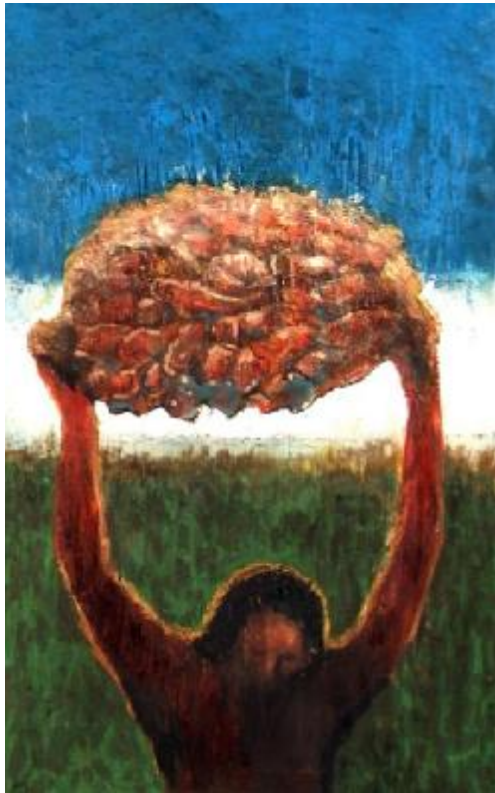


Feeding July 31, 2011



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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELLS

PRELUDE

"Fantasie in G-Dur"

source: J.S. Bach

GATHERING WORDS

source: Rex Hunt

One: We gather in community
to rest from our labours,
to greet our neighbours,
and to open our being
to insight and intuition
of that greater reality of which we are a part.
Let us celebrate the richness and diversity of this life
in the presentness of God.

*HYMN

"Gather Us In"

tune: Gather Us In
words: Haugen

Here in this place a new light is stream- ing,
We are the young, our lives are a mys - tery,
Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter,
Not in the dark of build - ings con - fin - ing,
now is the dark - ness van - ished a - way,
we are the old who yearn for your face,
here we will take the bread of new birth,
not in some heav - en, light - years a - way;
see in this space our fears and our dream - ings,
we have been sung through - out all of his - tory,
here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,
here in this place the new light is shin - ing,
brought here to you in the light of this day.
called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
now is the Kin - dom and now is the day.
Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en,
Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh - ty,
Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion,
Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er,
gath - er us in, the blind and the lame;
gath - er us in, the proud and the strong;
give us to eat the bread that is you;
gath - er us in and make us your own;
call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
give us a heart so meek and so low - ly,
nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,
we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
fire - of love in our flesh and our bone.



<http://www.servicioskoinonia.org/cerezo/dibujosA/41OrdinarioA18.jpg>

Christ has no body but yours,
 No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
 Yours are the eyes with which he looks
 Compassion on this world,
 Yours are the feet with which he walks
 to do good,
 Yours are the hands, with which he
 blesses all the world.
 Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,
 Yours are the eyes, you are his body.
 Christ has no body now but yours,
 No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
 Yours are the eyes with which he looks
 compassion on this world.
 Christ has no body now on earth
 but yours.

- *Teresa of Avila (1515–1582)*

Tom Kelly's Big Catch!



***LITANY** (*People's response in bold*)

source: K. Hawker

One: As the heat of summer burns bright, we turn to the stories that Jesus told:
 Many: **Parables, familiar stories that we thought we loved;**
 One: Parables, troubling stories
 increasing the questions in our hearts and minds;
 Many: **Parables, flying in the face of social convention,
 offending those who dare to listen.**
 One: Parables, offering a new vision;
 Many: **now the servants dine and the masters serve,
 now the last becomes first and the first becomes last.**
 One: Hear the good news of the Story
 that no sheep is unworthy of rescue,
 no coin too small to be missed.
 Many: **Hear the good news
 that love is stronger than hate
 and that this power is alive within us.**

***RESPONSE 514**

"Over My Head"

source: African-American Traditional

O-ver my head I hear mu-sic in the air.

O-ver my head I hear mu-sic in the air.

O-ver my head I hear mu-sic in the air.

There must be a God some - where.

Verse 2. Singing; Verse 3. Trouble; Verse 4. Jesus

READING FROM TRADITION

One: May we be struck by the wisdom of these words
 and marked by hearing them.
 Many: **For within story lies meaning, and
 within meaning, the wisdom for which we seek.**

Gretta Vosper

One: A reading from Matthew's story of Jesus: Matthew 14: 13-21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' Jesus said to them, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' They replied, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.' And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass.

Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

One: With words that illumine,
Many: **May we hear the Word.**

CHILDREN'S STORY

*Children are invited to come to the Chancel Steps to share a story.
Following the story, young children may choose to go to the nursery (both services)
or to Shepherds (11:00am—a play time in the Red Room downstairs).*

SPECIAL MUSIC 8:30AM

Jill Thompson

11:00AM

Lydia Smith

SERMON

"You Want Me To Do What?"

Al Schon

*HYMN 344

"The Time Was Early Evening"

tune: Afton Water
words: The Iona Community



The time was ear-ly eve-ning, the_ place a room up-
The com-pa-ry of Je - sus had_ met to share a
"The bread and bod-y bro - ken, the_ wine and blood out-
Christ Je - sus, now a - mong us, con - firm our faith's in-



stairs;_ The guests were the dis - ci - ples, few in
meal;_ The One who made them wel - come had much
poured, The cross and kitch - en ta - ble are_
tent._ As, with your words and ac - tions, we u -



num - ber and few in prayers. Oh, the food comes from the
more to_ re - veal.
one by my sign and word."
nite in this sac - ra - ment.



bak - er; the drink comes from the vine;_ The words come from the



Sav - ior, "I will meet you in bread and wine."

Who we are at the Other Evangelical...

Our Mission:

Following the God made known in the life and teachings of Jesus, we at Evangelical United Church of Christ gather as an Open and Affirming community to worship, learn and serve.

Our Values:

As a community, Evangelical United Church of Christ celebrates the values embodied in the ministry of Jesus:

- Inclusiveness in our diversity,
- Intentionality in our commitment to social justice,
- Intimacy in our fellowship together,
- Inspiration in our communal worship and
- Inquisitiveness in our personal spiritual growth.

Our Vision:

We desire to be a leader in helping the wider community affirm that God is still speaking.

Adopted by the congregation,
July 2007

Interested in joining us?

Please be in contact with Al Schon (aschon@eden.edu) or the church office (314.968.1727).

Save the Date: Congregational Meeting-Aug 7

Electing leaders, reviewing programs, celebrating community!

In our Prayers

(please be in contact with the church office with additions or changes to share)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Believing that each joy and/or concern expressed is indeed a prayer, After each expression, the worship leader will say: Lord in your Mercy. And the people may respond: Hear our prayer.

Many: **As I live every day,
I want to be a channel for peace.
May I bring love where there is hatred
and healing where there is hurt;
joy where there is sadness
and hope where there is fear.
I pray that I may always try
to understand and comfort other people
as well as seeking
comfort and understanding from them.
Wherever possible, may I choose to be
a light in the darkness, a help in times of need,
and a caring, honest friend.
May justice, kindness, and peace
flow from my heart forever. Amen.**

source: G. Vosper

*RESPONSE 501

"We Are Dancing Sarah's Circle"

tune: Jacob's Ladder
words: Etzler

**We are dancing Sarah's circle,
We are dancing Sarah's circle,
We are dancing Sarah's circle, sisters, brothers, all.
Here we seek and find our story... sisters, brothers, all.
We will all do our own naming... sisters, brothers, all.
On and on the circle's moving... sisters, brothers, all.**

TABLE PRAYER AND PROCESSION TO THE TABLE 8:30AM

INVITATION

REMEMBRANCE

One: We remember the stories that Jesus' friends tell,

Many: **stories of bread broken and shared,
feeding a multitude,**

One: stories of being gathered together, enemy and friend, around tables,

Many: **stories of unlikely guests
revealing the face of the sacred.**

One: They say that that it was on a night of both celebration and betrayal
that he took the bread leftover on the table,

Many: **blessed it and broke it and shared it;**

One: reminding them that it is

in the breaking that we become whole,

Many: **in losing our lives that we find them,
in serving that we are served.**

One: As the grain scattered becomes one in the loaf,

Many: **when we eat this bread,
we become one with one another.**

One: They say that he took the cup also leftover on the table,

Many: **poured out and sharing,**

Communion Note...

The words you hear as we share communion may be different than you've heard before. Like all of our life together, our prayers and practices at table are always evolving. Our Worship Team has been involved in reading and reflection on our shared table practices, exploring the meanings we share with bread and cup. Inspired by the stories of Jesus' table practices, we are aware that traditional communion imagery conveys beliefs that many of us do not share. Our prayerful hope is to offer language and metaphor that inspire us to greater compassion while allowing us to encounter wonder as we gather together at table.

In our effort to make sure that everyone feels welcome at God's table, we now serve both bread and gluten-free wafers which can be dipped in the grape juice when received.

One: remembering with them, the life-giving breath
even now pounding a rhythm through our veins,
Many: **the breath of life from whence we come,
the breath that precedes and follows
all that we can see.**
One: As the grapes find life in the vine,
Many: **when we drink this cup,
we become at one with the source of life itself.**

BLESSING

One: We pray together:
Many: **Come, holy Spirit, come.
Bless this bread and bless this fruit of the vine.
Bless all of us in our eating and drinking
that our eyes might be opened,
that we might recognize the Spirit rising in our midst
indeed, in one another. Come, holy Spirit, come.**

*The Congregation is invited to come forward by the center aisle...
partaking of the bread and cup, lighting a candle in prayer, and placing
an offering in the plates beside the table.*

CELEBRATION OF GIVING 11:00AM

OFFERTORY Improvisation on "Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant"
Jill Thompson

*The congregation is invited to share support for the work of this community
and our monthly Special Offering.*

***RESPONSE** "As-salaamu Lakum" music: R. Bruxvoort Colligan
(Peace Be with You) Traditional Arabic Greeting

Am G F Am Am G
As - sa - laa - mu
F Am Am G F C Dm
la - kum, As - sa - laa - mu la - kum, Sa - laam Sa -
F Am G F Am
laam, As - sa - laa - mu la - kum.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** source: K. Hawker

Many: **May the offerings brought this day be used as seeds,
planted faithfully and nurtured lovingly
so that God's compassion
might be realized anew in this world.
Grant us the humility we need
to plant and tend your precious garden. Amen.**

**July Mission Moment:
Back to School Supplies**

The Special Offering for the month of July is Back to School Supplies. The Servant team invites you to help children get ready for school by donating supplies for school. Among the thing which will help children start the year ready to learn are: Notebook paper, rulers, ring binders, pocket folders, pens, pencils, colored pencils, 24 count crayons, spiral notebooks, markers and any thing else which you think a child needs. There will be a box in the narthex for your donations. Items will be sorted and shared with Gordon Bush Elementary School in East St. Louis and Joint Neighborhood Ministry in the Benton Park Neighborhood of St. Louis.



**Congregation
Semi Annual Meeting**

Sunday, August 7 at 9:45 am

We will elect new Governing Body leadership, affirm our community's hard work and celebrate our abundance!

It will also be an opportunity to learn more about who you "do" church with and what they dream for EUCC.

Sharing our Gifts

During our Procession to the Table (8:30am) and Celebration of Giving (11:00am), we are invited to consider our offerings. The easiest way to make a financial offering is to drop check or money, marked clearly for EUCC or for special offerings, in the basket during worship. You can also set up electronic giving, which saves paper—and you never need your checkbook. Please contact the church office for more information.



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Glorious God,
 your generosity floods the world
 with goodness
 and you shower creation
 with abundance.
 Awaken in us a hunger for food to sat-
 isfy both body and heart,
 that in the miracle of being fed
 we may be empowered to feed the
 hungry in Jesus' name. Amen.

- *Revised Common Lectionary Prayers*

To become more like Jesus -
 to develop an attitude of faithful
 expectation - we must:

Hear the cries of the lost;
 Respond with compassion;
 Turn to God in faithful expectation;
 Move from vertical prayer to
 horizontal action.

- *One Family Outreach, Jerry Goebel*

<http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/Archaeology/Tabgha.html>



***HYMN 273**

"Praise with Joy the World's Creator"

tune: Lauda Anima
 words: The Iona Community

Musical score for Hymn 273. The score is written on five staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The lyrics are as follows:

Praise with joy the world's Cre - a - tor, God of
 Praise to Christ who feeds the hun - gry, frees the
 jus - tice, love, and peace, Source and end of hu - man
 cap - tive, finds the lost, Heals the sick, up - sets re -
 knowl - edge, grace be - stow - ing with - out cease. Cel - e -
 li - gion, fear - less both of fate and cost. Cel - e -
 brate the Ma - ker's glo - ry,
 brate Christ's con - stant pres - ence
 power to res - cue and re - lease.
 Friend and Strang - er, Guest and Host.

***BENEDICTION**

source: K. Hawker

One: In the name of the God who creates seeds and calls each one good;

Many: **In the name of the God who knows the dangers
 of weeds and thorns;**

One: In the name of the God who carries safely to good soil, now and forever;

Many: **In the name of this God go forth from this place
 to blossom and bear fruit. Amen.**

***POSTLUDE**

"Tocatta in E Minor"

source: Pachelbel

Bulletin recycling: Though we invite you to take your bulletin home to review the prayers and opportunities throughout the week, if you choose to leave your bulletin after the 8:30am service place it in the blue box and we will use it again!

FELLOWSHIP AND MINISTRY GROUPS

EUCC QUILTERS & ARTISTS - August 3, 7:00pm

Sharon Hoffman will host the next meeting at her home on Wednesday, August 3 at 7:00pm. Sharon, a retired teacher, teaches a class to St. Louis public school children about the Quilts of the Underground Railroad. She will be sharing with us her collection of patterns and patches that are thought to have been used as coded messages, as well as other quilts. We invite other members of the congregation who are curious about this interesting topic to join us at Sharon's home at 2915 Accomac. Folks who wish to carpool will be meeting at the lower church parking lot at 6:30pm. For more information or to get a map to Sharon's house, please contact Gail Saxton at (314) 821-7917 or acsaxtonjr@aol.com.

EUCC MOMS' GROUP - August 19, 9:30am

Moms' Group will meet Friday, August 19 at 9:30am in the Fireside Room. Come, relax, and debrief the summer. If you need childcare, please call Dee Ban ahead of time, (314) 965-1191.

CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN WRITERS - August 19, 6:30pm

The Contemporary Christian Writers Book Group will meet August 19 at 6:30pm in the Still Speaking Center. We will discuss *An Altar in the World* by Barbara Brown Taylor. Discussion Leader: Susan Ulmer. Everyone is welcome to join the discussion.

EVENTS & NEWS

PEACE TRAIL - August 1 - 5, 9:00am - 12:00pm

Peace Trail is our annual week of learning and play with children in our wider community. We share yoga, art, songs, and stories and more! **Registration is available online (www.evangelicalucc.org) or by contacting the Church Office**

SUMMER CHOIR - August 7

Will rehearse at 10:30am or immediately after the Congregational meeting, whichever comes first! Please come and sing with us.

CHANCEL CHOIR PARTY/SING! - August 21, 5:00pm

Please mark your calendars for our annual Chancel Choir PARTY/SING! on Sunday, Aug 21, at 5pm at Earl and Joyce Brown's home. It's a fun time where we all get together to sing some of the new music for the coming year, eat lots of good food, and generally enjoy a great informal time together. **If you've been thinking of joining choir but aren't sure, this is the event for you!!!!** **No obligation! Just a good time with really good people!! Do come!**

For a complete, up to date calendar visit our website:

THIS WEEK AT EUCC

SUNDAY, JULY 31

8:30am Worship Service
9:45am Coffee Fellowship
11:00am Worship Service
12:00pm Servant Team Meeting
3:00pm Korean Drumming Circle
5:15pm Castlewood Support Group

MONDAY, AUGUST 1

9:00am Peace Trail
9:15am Job Jar Gang

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2

9:00am Peace Trail
9:30am Amy's Yoga

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

9:00am Peace Trail
7:00pm EUCC Quilters & Artists
Field Trip-Sharon Hoffmann's home

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

9:00am Peace Trail
12:30pm Staff Meeting
6:45pm St. Louis Equality Dancers
7:00pm Amy's Yoga

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

9:00am Peace Trail

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

9:00am Huppert Lessons
5:00pm Sts C&F Worship

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS: To sign up to help with these (or other ministries), contact the person listed or the church office or use the sign up sheet on the clip board that is passed each Sunday morning.

DATE	LITURGIST	COFFEE HOUR	USHERS	SHEPHERD	CRIB ROOM	WELCOME TABLE	MONEY COUNTERS
	<i>Read the text and prayers in worship (Roni Branding)</i>	<i>Provide snacks for coffee hour (Jenny Davis)</i>	<i>Greet worshipers, collect offering host. (Jean Karr)</i>	<i>Playtime with children during worship (Kelly Archer)</i>	<i>Assist with our babies and toddlers (Carole Janssen)</i>	<i>Greet folks at the welcome table (Roni Branding)</i>	<i>Count the weekly offerings (Bob Hill)</i>
TODAY	8:30am: Open 11:00am: Roni Branding	1. Open 2. Open	8:30am: Paul Kachulis 11:00am: Bob Karr Wynn Miller	1. Jennifer Marchi 2. Open	Ray Mulligan Laura Evans	8:30am: Open 11:00am: Open	Norma Leuthauser Sandy Bowe
August 7	8:30am: Open 11:00am: Lucy Allen	1. Joyce Brown 2. Open	8:30am: David Faulkner 11:00am: Lola & Geno Contestabile	1. Open 2. Open	Brenda Detrick	8:30am: Open 11:00am: Open	Norma Leuthauser Sandy Bowe

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Joining us for the first time?

In a word: *Welcome*

Whoever you are, wherever you are on the journey, you are truly welcome here. We are human and fallible, but utterly committed to God's extravagant welcome!

Worship Rules: *Enjoy*

Some people clap, some don't. Some babies make noise, some don't. Some people read music, some people look at pictures. We stand and either speak or sing together occasionally, but do what feels right for you. Likewise with clothes; some people wear suits with sneakers, some wear hockey uniforms with ruby slippers. Whatever style is yours, it's safe here.

Enjoy your time with us!

Coffee: *Your choice*

Bring your own or fill up with the pot in the Fireside Room. Bring it in to worship, or not; decaf or regular. *It's your choice!*

Difference: *Bring it on!*

We don't simply tolerate our difference, we celebrate the wonder of the sacred in our differences... not only age, race, gender, ability, and orientation, but politics and theology too!

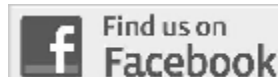


nursing mothers welcome!

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