The vision of Dover UCC is to seek justice, love kindness and walk humbly with our God.

Dover Congregational United Church of Christ
October 25, 2026

Rev. Melinda Quellhorst, Senior Pastor
An Open & Affirming Congregation
A Just Peace Congregation

22nd Sunday after Pentecost-Reformation Sunday
Questions and answers!

***Please Stand** if able*
Black New Century Hymnal

Announcements

Prelude *Aria* *Cynthia Dobrinski*
Bell Choir

Centering

***Acclamation #7 Verse 1** *All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

***Call to Worship**
One: Come, great Spirit, be here with us.
All: Fill us with strength and courage.
One: Renew our faith and restore to us confidence and faith.
All: Now we worship the living God and remember those who have gone before us and served the Church faithfully and fully.

***Hymn #439** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* *Martin Luther*

***Opening prayer** a prayer by Martin Luther (1483-1546)
One: Behold, Lord, an empty vessel that needs to be filled.
All: My Lord, fill it.
One: I am weak in the faith; strengthen me.
All: I am cold in love; warm me and make me fervent, that my love may go out to my neighbor.
One: I do not have a strong and firm faith; at times I doubt and am unable to trust you altogether.
All: O Lord, help me. Strengthen my faith and trust in you.
One: In you I have sealed the treasure of all I have.
All: I am poor; you are rich and came to be merciful to the poor.
One: I am a sinner; you are upright.
All: With me, there is an abundance of sin; in you is the fullness of righteousness.
One: Therefore, I will remain with you of whom I can receive, but to whom I may not give. Amen.

***Gloria #756** *Gloria, Gloria*

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

Children's time ***(10:00 AM)***

Offering of music ***(10:00 AM)*** *Your Love* *David McIntyre*
Chancel Choir

Scripture Psalm 90:1-6,13-17

Stewardship moment *There our Hearts will be* Ken Delfing

***Hymn #251** *I Greet You, Sure Redeemer* *John Calvin*

Scripture Matthew 22:34-46

Song #793 *Santo, Santo, Santo*

¡Santo, santo, santo, mi corazón te adora!
Mi corazón te sabe decir: santo eres Señor.
Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!
My heart is glad to say the words: You are holy, Lord!

Sermon Rev. Melinda Quellhorst

***UCC Statement of Faith #885**

Call to Prayer Hymn tune: Children praying

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Joys and Concerns/Prayers- both silent and spoken

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to Gratitude (*10:00 AM)*

Offering our Gifts

Offering Music *Von Gott will ich nicht lassen* *J.L. Krebs*

***Doxology #780 (hymn tune)**

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

***Hymn #419** *Now Thank We All Our God* *Martin Rinkart*

***Benediction**

Postlude *Fugue in d minor, BWV 554* *attr. J.S. Bach*

Serving You in Church Today

Pastor: Rev. Mindy Quellhorst
Liturgist: Judy Brizzolara
Organist: Nichole Fehrman
Music Director: Jamie Kunselman
Media: Dave MacKeigan

Please join us for coffee hour following 10:00 AM worship. Your host is Jen Bokenyi.

SPECIAL COFFEE HOUR

Mark your calendar for a special coffee hour on Sunday, November 1st, when members who were born in 1946 or before will be honored.

CHILI COOKOFF

In what has become a tradition here at Dover, the annual chili cookoff will be held on Sunday, November 22nd immediately after 10:00 AM worship. Come sample a bowl. . .or 2 or 3. . .of some of the best chili in Cleveland! If you can provide a crockpot of chili for the cookoff, please let Martha Vivona know.

POINSETTIA SALES

Orders for poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary and narthex during the Advent season will be taken before and after the 10:00 AM worship service on the following Sundays: Nov. 1, Nov. 8, Nov. 15. Orders may also be placed on the website on the "Donate" page, and order forms will be available at The Hub. Last day to order is Nov. 15th.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

To continue discussion of "How can we go about supporting each other", let's gather on 2nd Sunday of November for a short time after coffee hour. I feel like this is the next step in identifying what will be the most help to our people who are suffering the feeling of loss. This, in definition, could be <u>any</u> loss. Please join us on Nov. 8th in the Chapel after coffee hour. Pam Compton

Stream Events at Dover

~The **worship service** will be live on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. on the Dover Congregational UCC website (https://www.doverucc.org) and Facebook page and the recording will be posted immediately after the service.

~Monday thru Friday, the office will be open from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Please call the office to ensure someone is in to assist you.

~If you have a care or concern you need to discuss, please contact Rev. Quellhorst at revmql@gmail.com or call her on her cell, 330-717-5357.

~During the 10:00 AM service, child care is available for children five years and younger in room 104, on the lower level, Faith Formation for older children.

Large print bulletins and hearing amplifications are available in the back.

~ Contributions~ At the home page click on the **"Give"** button and follow the directions

OR you can easily connect to our online donation page by scanning this QR code with the camera on your phone or a QR app--will take you directly to our online donation page!

Open and Affirming Statement

Dover Congregational United Church of Christ is an Open and Affirming congregation. We affirm that God's grace is available to all. We welcome people of all ages, genders, races, views, abilities, sexual orientations, expressions and identities, ethnic educational and economic backgrounds into the full life and ministry of our church. We declare this in the name of God, whose Son, Jesus Christ, welcomed all people into God's circle of grace.

Approved by the congregation September 21, 2008
Additions approved by the congregation April 13, 2014

Just Peace Covenant

As a Just Peace church continuing the work of Jesus, we commit to work toward a world where all persons are treated with dignity and equality, where societies are structured in ways that promote the well-being of all people, and where conflicts are resolved through communication and negotiations, without resorting to exploitation or violence. We strive to embody these principles in our lives and witness as individuals and as a congregation. Our specific focus is: Just Peace in the community- so that all may live free from fear. Just Peace with the Earth – so that life is sustained. Just Peace in the marketplace- so that all may live with dignity. Just Peace among nations- so that human lives are protected. Through our worship, programs, and outreach we seek to be a community of reconciliation, hope, and courage as we work for peace and justice in our world.

Adopted and approved by congregation September 14, 2025