

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



***Dover Congregational United Church of Christ***

***November 9, 2025***

***Rev. Melinda Quellhorst, Senior Pastor  
An Open & Affirming Congregation  
A Just Peace Congregation  
22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
Dream God's Dream***

**Announcements**

**Prelude**

***"Day by Day"***

***arr. Faye López***

**Centering**

**\*Song**                      ***"What Does the Lord Require of You"***                      ***Jim Strathdee***  
***What does the Lord require of you? What does the Lord  
require of you?  
Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.  
To seek justice, and love kindness and walk humbly with  
your God.***

**\*Call to Worship**

**One:** God draws us together from different places.

**All:** **God dreams the same dream for us.**

**One:** God knows our pain and our joy.

**All:** **God dreams the same dream for us.**

**One:** God calls us to generosity and purpose.

**All:** **God dreams the same dream for us.**

**\*Hymn #561**

***"When in Our Music God is Glorified"***

***NCH***

**Prayer** (Please be seated)

**One:** Generous God, fill our hearts with gratitude for the great story  
and traditions that have been passed down to us. Fill our minds

with questions, so that we can find you in the story and challenge the ways of the world. Fill our lives with the presence of one another, so that we may be moved to generosity and stewardship.

**All: We are grateful to be part of God's story.**

One: God brings us together in stewardship.

**All: We are grateful to be part of God's community.**

One: God brings us together in a vision for the future.

**All: We are grateful to be part of God's dream.**

One: God, we pause in silence, and hope, and prayer... (Pause)

Please, join me in our family prayer

### **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.**

### **Offering of music (10:00 AM)**

"How Marvelous Are the Works" *David Angerman & Joseph M. Martin*

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

#### **Reading**

"To Dream God's Dream"

#### **\*Hymn #560**

"By Whatever Name We Call You"

*NCH*

#### **Reading**

"No Gift Too Small, No Dream Too Big"

#### **Song of Preparation**

"Dream God's Dream"

*Sirchio*

***Dream God's Dream! Holy Spirit help us dream of a world where there is justice and where everyone is free to build and grow and love, and to simply have enough the world will change, when we dream God's Dream.***

## **Scripture**

Ephesians 2:19-22

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of God's household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by God's Spirit.

## **Sermon**

Rev. Melinda Quellhorst

## **Renewing Baptismal Promises**

Andy Meder

## **The Presentations of the Faith Commitments**

One: We are invited to give and give again--just like God gives.

We are invited to give enough for people's needs--just like God gives. We are invited to give with much joy—just like God's joy in giving to us.

**All: O God, great, giving, generous God:**

**Help us to give with our hearts and our hands open. Help us to tithe with our time, our talents, and our treasure, and in so doing, give out of our abundance and be good stewards as we dream God's dream together.**

## **Our Faith Promise**

### **Time of prayer and decision**

### **Faith Promise offering**

(There will be 2 baskets labeled, one pledge, one offering. Please place pledge card in one, and offering in the other. Raise your hand if you need help bringing your card forward, and someone will come to you.)

## **Music (10:00 AM)**

"Take My Life, God, Let It Be" *arr. Jamie Kunselman*

## **\*Doxology (10:00AM)**

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;***

***Praise Christ all creatures here below;***

***Praise Holy Spirit, Comforter***

***One God, Triune, whom we adore. Amen***

## **\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

### **\*Hymn #448**

*"Take My Life, and Let it Be"*

*NCH*

### **\*Benediction**

### **\*Closing Song**(Please connect and hold hands with those around you)

***Blessed be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;  
the sharing of our common life is like to that above.***

### **Postlude**

*"Come Thou Fount"*

*arr. Cindy Berry*

Today open hands greet you in our worship space. Open hands can symbolize at least two things. The hands can ask us to receive or they can ask us to give. This morning, they ask us to give. The hands ask us this question: "What can you give to support God's Dream at Dover UCC this coming year?" These hands are open to receive the gifts from your open hands. As you bring your gifts forward today thank God for God's gifts to you and ask God to use your gifts in transcendent and kindom building ways.

### **Serving You in Church Today**

**Sermon:** Rev. Mindy Quellhorst

**Liturgist:** Julie Rinehart

**Music Director:** Jamie Kunselman

**Organist:** Bret Tassone

**Media:** Dave MacKeigan

Thank you to Dover UCC for all the love and support you have given to Jeff and me during this time of healing. We are so blessed by the care, the cards, the food, the blessings, the love. Thank you! Pastor Mindy and Jeff

**Please join us after 10:00 AM worship for Coffee Hour in  
Thomas Hall—your hosts are Dave & Judy MacKeigan.**

## **"SAVING JESUS FROM THE CHURCH"**

There will be a short meeting immediately after the 10:00 AM worship hosted by Don Nichols in Thomas Hall for those who are interested in participating in a discussion group about the book: **Saving Jesus From the Church.**

### **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](mailto: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.**



Faith Formation and Faith Explorers are in full swing. This month our children will be learning about prayer and kindness. Come grow with us—there's something for every age!

Any questions—please contact Jacquie DelMonte  
440-463-6460

## **SCOUT FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY**

On Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM Scout Troop #208 will hold a flag retirement ceremony here at Dover. Members and guests of Dover are invited to attend the ceremony, which will be held outside—if you have an American flag that is ready for retirement and would like it included in the ceremony, please bring to the church office by Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup>.

## **POINSETTIA SALES**

Orders for poinsettias to decorate the church for the Advent season will today and next Sunday, 11/16, before or after the 10:00 AM worship service. A table will be set up outside the church office to take your orders. Poinsettias are \$10.00 each, and come in red, white, pink and/or marble.

If you walk into Dean's Greenhouse between November 15<sup>th</sup> & December 24<sup>th</sup>, 20% of your purchase will be donated to Dover—just tell them you are with Dover. You can bring any poinsettia(s) you are purchasing for Dover to church at any time. Be sure to pick up a form at the order table or The Hub to complete with your name, color or poinsettia(s) purchased, and any memorial/honorarium you would like noted in the bulletin for the Christmas Eve service.

As always, you are welcome to take your poinsettias home after the Christmas Eve service.

## **CHILI COOKOFF**

In what has become a tradition here at Dover, the annual chili cookoff will be held on Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> 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.

## **COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE / PIEFEST**

Plan on joining congregations from Dover, Prince of Peace, St. Ladislav, Church of the Redeemer, and Westlake Methodist for a Community Thanksgiving worship service on **Monday, November 24<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 PM at St. Ladislav Catholic Church, 2345 Bassett Road, Westlake. Following worship, come join the "Piefest!" Please bring a pie to share.

**AFTERNOON BOOK GROUP**

**"Tuesdays With Morrie"**

By Mitch Albom

Monday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, 12:30 PM  
Parlor

**EVENING BOOK GROUP**

**"The Lost Bookshop"**

By Evie Woods

Monday, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM  
Martha Vivona's house



***Last names are listed below; in streaming, we are being safety conscious and will only use first names.***

Sandy Aber

Tom Beck

Karen Bellebuono (Friend of Mary Ann & Joe Brizzolara and  
Judy Brizzolara)

Katrina Burton (Maria Vélez-Colon's daughter)

Rev. Wayne Chasney (Pastor at Monroeville UCC)

Mark Chomoa (Rae-Rita Chomoa's son)

Gail Cordy

Betty Correll (Sandy Burkey's mother)

Eli (Friend of Judy Brizzolara)

Jim & Kaye Mesaros

Inge Moorman

People of Ukraine, Israel, Palestine, Gaza, Myanmar, Middle East

Bob Pozwick (Patricia Houser's brother)

Pastor Mindy

Rachel (Friend of Judy Brizzolara)

Joann Sarvay

Maura Young (Friend of Lois McCreight)

## **WHAT'S HAPPENING AT DOVER**

### **Sunday, November 9, 2025**

#### **STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY**

- 8:15 AM Early worship service
- 10:00 AM Nursery & Sunday school
- 11:00 AM Coffee Hour – Thomas Hall

### **Monday, November 10, 2025**

- 6:00 PM Ice cream at Mitchell's
- 7:00 PM Worship Committee meeting – Office

### **Tuesday, November 11, 2025**

#### **VETERANS' DAY – Office Closed**

- 12:30 PM Artists group – Thomas Hall
- 7:00 PM Scouts – Flag Retirement ceremony

### **Wednesday, November 12, 2025**

- 7:00 PM AA – Thomas Hall

### **Thursday, November 13, 2025**

- 12:00 PM Gray Shepherds – Thomas Hall
- 5:30 PM Al-Anon – Thomas Hall
- 7:00 PM Alzheimer's Association - Parlor
- 7:00 PM Al-Anon – Thomas Hall

### **Friday, November 14, 2025**

- 10:00 AM P & N Committee meeting - Parlor

### **Saturday, November 15, 2025**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- 11/11:** Scouts flag retirement ceremony – 7:00 PM
- 11/23:** Chili cookoff (after worship)
- 11/24:** Community Thanksgiving service / Piefest – 7:00 PM;  
St. Ladislav Catholic Church; 2345 Bassett Rd., Westlake
- 11/30:** First Sunday of Advent
- 12/7:** Poetry night
- 12/14:** Cookie walk (after worship)



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### **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