

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



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

***August 30, 2026***

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

***14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
Live by the Spirit***

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

**Announcements**

**Prelude**

***Holy God, We Praise Thy Name***

***arr. Diane Bish***

**Centering**

**\*Acclamation #283**      *Spirit of the Living God*  
*Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.*  
*Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.*

**\*Call to Worship**      *Adapted Psalm 105*  
One: Give thanks to God! Call upon God's name in life, in community.  
**All: Sing to God! Sing praises! Sing without objection! Sing out loud!**  
One: Remember and share out loud of all the justice and love of God.  
Seek God and her presence continually!  
**All: Praise God!**

**\*Hymn #572**      *When Israel Was in Egypt's Land*

**\*Opening prayer**

**All: We are standing on Holy Ground. We are worshiping and praising you this day, O God. We have been sent to live the good news, we are not alone, you are with us. We call upon your name; I am who I am. You are the God of our ancestors, of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob and Rachel. You are our I am who I am! We praise you. 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)**      *O Worship the King*      arr. Victor Labenske  
Gary Burke & Nichole Fehrman, duet

**Scripture**      Exodus 3:1-15

**\*Hymn #454**      *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

**Scripture**      Romans 12:9-21

**Song**      *Thy Word*  
*Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.*  
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**Sermon**      Rev. Melinda Quellhorst

**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**      *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*      Mercy Bartlett

**\*Doxology (Sung to the tune of #780)**

*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 #539**      *Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant?*

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**      *How Majestic is Your Name*      arr. Phillip Keveren

**Serving You in Church Today**

**Pastor:** Rev. Melinda Quellhorst

**Organist:** Nichole Fehrman

**Media:** Dave MacKeigan

**Liturgist:** Dan Read

**Music Director:** Jamie Kunselman

**The flowers on the communion table are given by Julie Rinehart in loving memory of John Rinehart on his 89<sup>th</sup> birthday.**

**Please join us for coffee hour immediately following 10:00 AM worship.**

The first chancel choir rehearsal is Wednesday, September 2nd at 7pm in the choir room! All are welcome. If you are interested in participating in bell choir, please email Jamie Kunselman at [jkunselman1@gmail.com](mailto:jkunselman1@gmail.com).

### **JUST PEACE MISSIONS**



Just Peace Missions has begun the second part of our 2026 disaster relief project. The Disaster Response Network has found that while many children's school needs are met at the beginning of the year, once a disaster strikes the supplies needed for a successful school day are lost. JPM has pre-filled 25 tote bags provided by Church World Services with 5 of the 9 items needed to complete each Kids Kit. The bags with a list of items attached have been hung in Thomas Hall. The remaining items needed are highlighted in yellow. A signup sheet and box for the completed kits are on the table. If you prefer not to shop, monetary donations are appreciated! Please make sure to mark your donation "Kids Kits." Thanks again for your continued support.

### **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 [revmq@gmail.com](mailto:revmq@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