

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



Dover Congregational United Church of Christ

September 14, 2025

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

***14th Sunday after Pentecost
Step by step, a walk of faith***

Prelude

"Flute Song"

Lani Smith

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: Where do we experience God?

All: Step by step in this walk of faith we show up and experience God.

One: Is faith about wonder? Is faith about hope?

All: Step by step in this walk of faith we find wonder and hope.

One: Are we praising God in all we say and do?

**All: O God you are my God; I will ever praise you. Step by step you'll
lead me.**

One: Let us worship and praise this God of hope, wonder, and praise!

Hymn #252

"Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"

NCH

***Prayer** (Please remain standing)

**All: God of peace, as we walk together in faith, we continue to commit
ourselves toward a world where all persons are treated with respect
and compassion, where we communicate with kindness, where we
embody your love for all. Today as we walk in faith, we praise your
name, we wonder in hope, we experience you, O God in joy. We pray
in Jesus' name. Amen**

****Please Stand if able***

NCH= New Century Black Hymnal

***Gloria #759**

***Glory to the Creator, the Christ, the Holy Spirit, Three in One;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen***

Scripture

I Timothy 1:12-17

An offering of music (10:00 AM) "Here I Am, Lord" *arr. Anna Laura Page*
Chancel Choir

Children's time (10:00 AM)

***Hymn #459** "Come, O Fount of Every Blessing" *NCH*

Scripture

Luke 15:1-10

Song of preparation "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" *Ken Medema*

***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.***

Sermon

Rev. Melinda Quellhorst

Pastoral Prayer/ Silent 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.

Invitation to Gratitude (10:00 AM)

Offering our Gifts

Offering Music "Sarabande" *Edward Grieg, arr. John Troutman*

***Doxology**

***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 #11**

"Bring Many Names"

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***Benediction**

Postlude

"A Trumpet Call"

*Domenico Scarlatti
arr. David Paxton*

**Please Stand if able*

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Serving You in Church Today

Sermon: Rev. Melinda Quellhorst

Liturgist: Jeff Davis

Organist: Ben Malkevitch

Music Director: Jamie Kunselman

Media: Dave MacKeigan

Please join us in Thomas Hall after the congregational vote for coffee hour -- our hosts are Bette English and Karin Shaughnessy.

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 revmq1@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 too.

~ Our newsletter, *Dover Voices*, an informational flyer about Dover UCC, a church directory and devotionals are available in the Narthex and at The Hub.

~ Large print bulletins and hearing amplification devices are available. An Usher can assist you.

JUST PEACE CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL VOTE

At the request of Council, we will be having a Special Meeting immediately following the 10:00 worship service **TODAY**, where the Just Peace Committee will be offering a motion to adopt a Just Peace statement — the next step in our journey to become a Just Peace Church. If you haven't yet read the statement that the team has created, be sure to do so. Please see Amy Storms, Martha Vivona, Pam Compton, or Kathleen Poe if you have any questions.

TABLE FOR 8

It is time for the next round of Fun, Friends, Fellowship and FOOD. If you are new or returning, please join other members for once-a-month get togethers. If you are interested and haven't already notified Loreen Flesher, please email ASAP (Loreen6300@gmail.com). Groups will be notified during 2nd week of September. Thank you!

BUNCO IS HOW WE ROLL!



It is that time again—Bunco night at Dover! Join us Friday, October 7th, at 7:00 PM in Thomas Hall for a rousing night spent with friends. Don't know how to play? It takes about 1 minute to learn, so join for the fun and refreshments.

Sign up at The Hub.



~Prayer Requests, please pray for God to be with these individuals, and for them to feel God's presence in the midst of their concerns:

Avon Lake UCC congregation for installation of new pastor, Rev. Mark Pettis
Meri Armour
Karen Bellebuono (Friend of Mary Ann & Joe Brizzolara and Judy Brizzolara
Katrina Burton (Maria Vélez-Colon's daughter)
Caroline (Friend of Judy Brizzolara)
Mark Chomoa (Rae-Rita Chomoa's son)
Gail Cordy
Betty Correll (Sandy Burkey's mother)
Eli (Friend of Judy Brizzolara)
Bobbie English (Friend of Lois McCreight)
Jim & Linda (Friends of Judy Brizzolara)
Jim & Kaye Mesaros
People of Ukraine, Israel, Palestine, Gaza, Myanmar, Middle East
Bob Pozwick (Patricia Houser's brother)
Joann Sarvay

AFTERNOON BOOK GROUP

THE GLASSMAKER

BY

Tracy Chevalier

Monday, Oct. 6, 12:30 PM
Parlor

EVENING BOOK CLUB

WISH YOU WERE HERE

BY

Jodi Picoult

Monday, Sept. 15, 7:00 PM

Heather Harris' house

Contact Dody Chadwick

DGCC629@aol.com for more
information

THIS WEEK AT DOVER

Sunday, September 14, 2025

- 8:15 AM Early worship service
- 10:00 AM Nursery & Sunday school
- 11:00 AM Congregational Vote on Just Peace Church - Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM Coffee Hour – Thomas Hall

Monday, September 15, 2025

- 6:00 PM Ice Cream at Mitchell's

Tuesday, September 16, 2025

- 7:00 PM Scouts – Thomas Hall
- 7:00 PM Council meeting - Parlor

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

- 11:00 AM Workmen's Comp audit - Parlor
- 7:00 PM AA – Thomas Hall

Thursday, September 18, 2025

- 12:00 PM Retired Men's luncheon – Claudette's
- 5:30 PM Al-Anon – Thomas Hall
- 6:00 PM Al-Anon book group - Parlor
- 7:00 PM Al-Anon – Thomas Hall

Friday, September 19, 2025

Saturday, September 20, 2025

- 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM Dale Winkler - parlor
- 7:00 PM AA – parlor

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 9/21:** Street ministry
- 10/7:** Bunco night – 7:00 PM; Thomas Hall – sign up at The Hub
- 11/8:** Karaoke night
- 11/23:** Chili cookoff (after worship)
- 12/7:** Poetry night
- 12/14:** Cookie walk (after worship)

!!NEW EMAIL ADDRESSES!!

Please delete the OLD addresses in your contacts and your address books and add these new email addresses:

Pastor Mindy: revmql@gmail.com
Liz Emmer, treasurer: dovertreasurer3@gmail.com
Ben Malkevitch: ben@malkevitch.com
Jamie Kunselman: jkunselman1@gmail.com
Jane/Dover general: doverucc44145@gmail.com

You can also find these email addresses in a handout at The Hub—pick one up and take it home!

GAIL CORDY UPDATE

Friends, Gail Cordy will be starting her next treatment very soon—please keep her in your thoughts. She loves receiving cards, texts, etc. – perhaps you would like to drop her a note at home, telling her you are thinking of her. Her address is: 41110 Butternut Park Court, Elyria, OH 44035

~ Play It Again ~

Want to hear a terrific sermon again? At the home page, click on "Sermons" and select the service you would like to view.

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



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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.

*No matter who you are,
or where you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here!*

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