

**The United Church of Northfield
Welcomes You To Morning Worship and
Children's Sunday Service**



JESUS LOVES ME

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

June 13, 2010 at 10:00 A.M.

*We are a member of Vermont Conference, The United Church of Christ
and are affiliated with the National Unitarian Universalist Association and
Northern New England District of the UUA.
Historically we are united from Congregational and Universalist roots.*

The United Church of Northfield

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CHILDREN'S SUNDAY

Prelude & Candle Lighting

Alison Cerutti

Words of Welcome

Gathering Song: *Here I Am Lord*

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***Call To Worship:** (Written by children from Cameroon)

Ayrin Southworth

Leader: Praise God in his holy house of worship.

People: Praise him under the open skies.

Leader: Praise him for his acts of power,

People: Praise him for his magnificent greatness.

Leader: Praise him with a blast on the trumpet,

People: Praise him by strumming soft strings.

Leader: Praise him with castanets and dance,

People: Praise him with banjo and flute

Leader: Praise him with cymbals and a big bass drum,

People: Praise him with fiddles and mandolin

All: Let every living, breathing creature praise God! Hallelujah!

***Hymn of Praise:** "For the Beauty of the Earth"

NCH 28 (Black)

Morning Prayer: (Unison)

Wondrous God, creator of ocean waves and children's laughter, designer of each sunrise and painter of each sunset, we praise you for this marvelous world of stunning colors, gentle sounds, wondrous smells. We praise you for planting your gift of love deep inside us so that we naturally want to share it with the young. We praise you for Jesus, who blessed and loved children.

Loving God, we thank you for our children who have felt God's love in our midst, who have learned more about the faith and who shared their offerings with a hurting world. We thank you for teachers who revealed God's love through story and care. May we all continue to grow in spiritual insight and wisdom in this hour of worship. Bless our children as they grow, that the love of Jesus may grow in them as well. Amen.

Prayer Response:

UCN Choir

Call to Confession:

Let us now approach our time of confession with a somber spirit and a contrite heart.

Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

Holy God, like a loving mother and caring father, you seek the best for us, desiring health and wholeness, peace and justice for all creation. Yet we seek our own way, wandering off toward the gods of success, popularity, wealth. You call us to study your Word, to nudge our spirit in

your direction, and yet we are distracted by many matters and forget to do our spiritual homework.

Teach us, loving God, that our true home is with you. Teach us the ways of spiritual growth and discipline. Fill us with your deep and abiding joy. Amen.

Words of Assurance

The Congregation's Response:

NCH 793 (Black)

Holy, Holy, Holy, my heart, my heart adores you!

My heart is glad to say the words: you are holy, God.

Music Offering:

UCN Choir

A Time With Children

ChoirChimes

The children of Discovery Hour will present "Jesus Loves Me" on the ChoirChimes under the direction of Billie Porter. Nursery care is provided for children ages five and under.

Recognition of Teachers and Child Care providers

Laura Ranker

Scriptures for the day: Mark 4: 1-20

Nathan Ranker

Psalm 1: 1-3

Eddie Habeck

A Personal Reflection:

Kayla Barrows

***Responsive Hymn:** "I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry" NCH 351 (Black)

Prayers of the People: *These are the joys and concerns of the people.*

Please share what you would like us to be praying for including a person's name if appropriate.

Prayer of Thanksgiving Litany:

Eddie Habeck

(Written by children from Cameroon)

Leader: When I get up in the morning **'Thank you Lord, you are there'.**

Leader: When I go to school every day **'Thank you Lord, you are there'.**

Leader: When I play with my friends **'Thank you Lord, you are there'.**

Leader: For the beauty of our world, for today, and tomorrow

'Thank you Lord, you are there'.

Leader: For the seed we plant and the rain that makes it grow

'Thank you Lord, you are there'.

Leader: For the sun that brightens the harvest

'Thank you Lord, you are there'.

Leader: Amen.

Pastoral Prayer of Intercession

The 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen

The Offering: *Today you are invited to offer your gifts to support the ministries of The United Church of Northfield. We also invite your written prayer requests.*

The Offertory

Alison Cerutti

***Doxology**

page 780 New Century Hymnal (Black)

***Prayer of Dedication:** *(Unison)*

Generous God, our spiritual teacher, we thank you for teachers and learners of all ages. We thank you for the educational program of our church, and for our children and teachers. Bless these gifts that they strengthen our church school program and encourage spiritual growth of students of all ages. Amen.

***Passing of the Peace of Christ:**

"May the peace of Christ be with you."

Response: "And also with you."

***Closing Hymn:** "Take My Life and Let It Be"

Pilgrim Hymnal 404 (Red)

Brief Announcements

Benediction

Postlude

Alison Cerutti

** Denotes standing if you are able. NCH is the New Century Hymnal. PH is the Pilgrim Hymnal.*

Please join us for a time of fellowship in Howes Hall after the worship service hosted by Billie and Larry Porter.

Adult Study Series "Wrestling with Angels" - Each Sunday after coffee hour from 11:45 A.M. - 12:45 P.M. with a light lunch provided; meeting in the Pastor's Study.

Giving for June 6, 2010: 2010 Pledge Income: \$1,188.29; Plate Offering: \$2; Heifer Offering: \$9.71, Total Heifer \$345.83; Goal: A Heifer for \$500; Other: \$250; Fuel Fund: \$20; OGHS: \$37; Gift: \$150gift. **Thank you for your faithful giving!**

The Ministry of The United Church of Northfield

Ministers to the World: The Congregation

Secretary: Laura Ranker

Interim Pastor: The Rev. Roger Brown

Sexton: Danny Rowe

Ushers: Judy & Lauren Howard

Greeters: Evelyn Bird & Judy Plumley

Choir Leadership Today:

The United Church Choir

Pianist/Organist: Alison Cerutti

Choir Director: Billie Porter

Deacon in Charge: Knoxes

Childcare: Julia Hatch

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THIS WEEK AT THE UNITED CHURCH
June 14 - June 20, 2010

- Mon.: 7:00 P.M. Men's AA meets in Howe's Hall.
- Tues.: UCN Woman's Book Group meeting is on hiatus until further notice.
7:00 P.M. Church Council meets in church office.
- Wed.: 7:00 P.M. Women's 12 Step AA Meeting in Howe's Hall.
There will be **NO Wednesday Choir rehearsals** until further notice.
- Thurs.: 7:15 A.M. Early Bird Bible Study at the home of the Porter's, 176
Central Street. All are welcome.
- Fri.: 9:30 A.M.–11 A.M. Northfield Playgroup (birth to 6 yrs), Howe's Hall.
4:30 Clean and Cut Strawberries in Howes Hall.
- Sat.: 1:00 - 4:30 Annual Strawberry Festival in Howes Hall.



STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL 1:00–4:30 Saturday, June 19, 2010.

Take Out Available! Volunteers needed to help with event.

SIGN UP TO HELP Contact Judy Plumley 485-6117 or Laura Ranker 229-4351.

SAVE THE DATES!

- June 22nd Mayo Ministry - 3:00 p.m. worship service at Mayo Nursing Home.
- June 26th Vermont Food Bank Work Day. 12 Volunteers Needed; 14 yrs and older; NO open toed shoes. Contact Chris Southworth @ 1-802-793-5433.
- Sunday, June 27th Linda Radke, the talented alto soloist from *Arioso* will be offering the special music for our worship service.
- Sunday, June 27th Feasibility Study Report Back to the congregation. Presentation by Rev. Williams and his wife Pat on the conclusions from the study regarding the United Church Capital Campaign.
- June 29th and July 6th Summer Lunch Program deliveries. Volunteers needed. Contact Chris Southworth at 1-802-793-5433, cell phone.