



Medford Congregational United Church of Christ

November 12, 2023 - 10:00 A.M.

Fr. Joel S. Garavaglia-Maiorano

Amos 5: 18-24

“Let Justice Roll Down”

Doing Justice ~ Living Kindness ~ Walking Humbly with God

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***Please stand as you are able.**

***Gathering Music** “Holy Ground” Mark Angle-Hobson, Church Musician
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Litany of Re-Dedication

Fr. Joel Maiorano

People -we dedicate this house.

For the worship of God in prayer and praise; for the living into the teachings of Jesus; for the celebration of the Holy Sacraments;

People -we dedicate this house

For the comfort of all who mourn; for strength to those who are tempted; for light to those who seek the way;

People -we dedicate this house

For the celebration of humanity; for teaching and guiding both the young and old; for the perfecting of the saints;

People -we dedicate this house

To celebrate and protect all of creation; to promote justice and peace; and to love our neighbor

People -we dedicate this house

In the unity of the faith; in the bond of brotherhood and sisterhood; in love and goodwill to all;

People -we dedicate this house

In gratitude for the labors of all who love and serve this church; in loving remembrance of those who have finished their course; in the hope of life abundantly.

People -we dedicate this house

Prayer

Pegi Ellerman, Church Moderator

We now, the people of this congregation, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, grateful for our heritage, aware of the sacrifices of our mothers and fathers in the faith, and confessing that apart from us their work cannot be made perfect, dedicate ourselves and this building for the worship and

service of almighty God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Song**

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit" #293

Mark Angle-Hobson

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Welcome

Christopher Angle-Hobson

***Prelude**

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Mark Angle-Hobson

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Call to Worship

Christopher Angle-Hobson

One: Children of God, welcome!

Many: Welcome to this place of love and grace.

One: Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.

Many: God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community.

One: God invites all of us to share in the good news.

Many: We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.

One: In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

***Opening Song**

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You" #4

Mark Angle-Hobson

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Opening Our Hearts to God and Each Other

***Confession**

Christopher Angle-Hobson

***All:** Holy One, God of Forgiveness, we call out to you and you surround us with deliverance. You love us infinitely more than we love ourselves or others. Open us this day to your counsel, helping us to be more merciful, more grace-filled, so that we might rejoice in the simple and good-enough moments that fill our days. Amen!

***Receiving God's Grace**

Christopher Angle-Hobson

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Call to Offering

Hobson

Christopher Angle-

Prayer Response

ALL: Generous God, in light of your extravagant blessings—
no matter the state of the world or of our imperfect lives—
we offer our gifts and ourselves and know that you transform what we give
to meet the needs of the world around us.
Amen

*Choral Response:

“To God Be the Glory”

MCUCC Choir

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To God be the glory, To God be the glory,
To God be the glory, for the things God has done.

The Prayers of the People

Fr. Joel Maiorano

Prayer of Jesus

Fr. Joel Maiorano

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom comes.
Your 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. Save us from times of trial
and deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen*

WE PREPARE TO DEPART

*Closing Song “The Church’s One Foundation” #386

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Mark Angle-Hobson

Benediction

AnnElise Bergstrom

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Welcome to our church community. Questions, please ask an usher.

Office Hours - 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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