

October 5, 2025



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World Communion Sunday
Pastor Vicki McGaw

**Gathered at Federated Church: 76 Bell Street
Chagrin Falls, OH 44022**

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World Communion Sunday

10 AM

Chimes indicate the service is starting, and silence is appreciated to prepare for worship.

Prelude *What Wondrous Love* (M. Hayes and M. Gaspard) Randy Fusco, piano;
Marcia Snavely, organ

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Vicki McGaw

Introit *Ring to the Lord a New Song* (Cathy Moglebust) Federated Bell Choir

Introduction to Worship Pastor McGaw

* **Call to Worship** many voices

One: We are all one family.

All: We are all one family, made in the image of God.

One: Siamo tutti una sola famiglia (Italian – Susi Kawolics)

All: We are all one family, all over the world.

One: Wir sind alle eine familie. (German – Oliver Mason)

All: We are all one family, brothers and sisters.

One: Somos todos una familia. (Spanish – Morgan Graves)

All: We are all one family, each unique, each special.

One: 我們都是一家人 Wo men dou shi yi jia ren (Mandarin – Ariana Konow)

All: We are all one family, on one journey of faith.

One: We are all one family.

All: We are all one family, united in love, united in peace, united

* **Opening Hymn** *Uyai Mose* (Zimbabwean Hymn) [words on screen]

* **Prayer of Confession** (by C. Welton Gaddy, Former President, Interfaith Alliance)
Pastor McGaw

One: God, please forgive us. Forgive our incompleteness: not growing in Christ, not
expanding our knowledge of the scriptures, not developing all our talents.

**All: God, forgive our disinterest: a lack of concern for needs around us, apathy
regarding the lostness of missions, blindness to hurts we could help heal.**

* Those who are able stand

One: God, forgive our dishonesty. Taking the easy way rather than the right way, speaking in one manner while living in another, silencing truth to preserve tranquility, settling for less than what is best, loving tradition more than obeying your pioneering spirit.

All: God, forgive our loudness: talking when we should be listening, proclaiming when we should be studying, busying ourselves with new tasks when we should be finding quiet places to rest.

One: God, forgive our silence: feeling love and failing to whisper it, reeling with joy and not shouting hallelujah, knowing truth and forfeiting an opportunity to share it, sensing a need to share our faith and squelching the impulse.

All: God, please forgive us.

* **Words of Assurance** (*National Council of Churches of Bangladesh*) Pastor McGaw

One: The forgiveness of God be upon you; the peace of Christ rest upon you; the grace of the Holy Spirit be the gift which is placed in your life, this day and forever.

All: From this day to the end of eternity, we are God's children: citizens of God's realm. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Message for the Young at Heart

Pastor McGaw

* **Passing of Christ's Peace**

(Children through grade 8 are dismissed to Sunday School)

* **Praise Response**

Halle, Halle, Halle (Caribbean Hymn)

No. 41

Stories from Around the Table

Story #1 *Why We Gather in Community at the Table*

Scripture *Acts 2:42-47* Joshua Bazar

Reading *The Least of These* by Rev. John Campbell-Nelson Pastor McGaw

Hymn *Come Share the Lord, v. 1* No. 408

Story #2 *Sharing the Table*

Scripture *Luke 22:21-34* Joshua Bazar

Reading *Table Manners* by Ken Frank Rev. Susi Kawolics

Hymn *For Everyone Born, v.1* [words on screen]



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Story #3	<i>Sharing the Meal</i>	
Scripture	<i>Mark 14:22-25</i>	Joshua Bazar
Reading	<i>World Communion Sunday in Congo</i> by Paul Turner	Joshua Bazar
Hymn	<i>Eat This Bread</i>	No. 414

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Fellowship of Prayer	Joshua Bazar
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Invitation to Generosity	Pastor McGaw
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The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation	<i>Table Blessing</i> by Jan L. Richardson	Rev. Kawolics
Telling the Story	<i>Adapted from Communion Liturgy for World Communion Sunday</i> by Jordan Rimmer	Pastor McGaw
Communion Prayer	by Tod and Ana Gobeldale, retired Global Ministries Mission Co-Workers in Zimbabwe	[words on screen]
Words of Institution, Prayer of Consecration		Pastor McGaw
Sharing the Elements		Pastor McGaw

Anthem	<i>Bwana Asifiwe! (Praise the Lord!)</i> (Cathy Moglebust); John Nichols and Marcia Snavelly, percussion; Federated Bell Choir
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Prayer of Thanksgiving	Rev. Kawolics
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* Closing Hymn	<i>Siahamba</i>	No. 442
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* Commissioning and Benediction	Pastor McGaw
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Postlude	<i>He's Got the Whole Wide World in His Hands</i> (J. Raney) Randy Fusco, piano and Marcia Snavelly, organ
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~ Departing to Service ~

UPCOMING WORSHIP

Sunday, October 12th, 10 AM
Pastor Vicki McGaw preaches

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