

Remember being happy doesn't mean you have it all. It simply means you're thankful for all you have.

GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE AND LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME GREETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Karen Griswold

Julie McIntosh

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come with your doubts and fears.

PEOPLE: We are here

Leader: Call on God, who will answer you. **PEOPLE:** God is hard to hear these days.

Leader: Come to the One who will give your souls peace. Come claim your identity as beloved children of God.

ALL: We come, longing to hear God speak to us this morning.

RINGING of the BELL

*HYMN <u>"This is the Day"</u> twice #209

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Bill Warner

SPECIAL MUSIC "Just a Closer Walk with Thee (with What a Friend We Have in Jesus" Adult Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER SILENT MEDITATION THE LORD'S PRAYER

*RESPONSE & PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERING <u>"Let's Just Praise the Lord"</u> #18

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN <u>"Open My Eyes That I May See"</u> #563

SCRIPTURELuke 24:13-35 (NRSV)Julie McIntoshTODAY'S MESSAGE"When God Shows Up"Rev. Karen Griswold

*HYMN <u>"As the Deer"</u> #548

*BLESSING & BENEDICTION

*CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE <u>"Praise Him! Praise Him"</u> vs 3 #12

POSTLUDE

*Please stand if you are able.

A supervised nursery is provided for babies and toddlers in the basement.

CHURCH EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY Congregational Meeting after Church

3:00 – 5:00 pm Combined Youth group gathering

3:30 – 6:00 pm Scout meetings

Apr 17 6:00 pm Consider This – discussion group

Apr 19 Newsletter deadline – please send information to Kathy Etgen

Apr 21 Education Team meeting after Church
Apr 27 6:00 pm Small Group at Ancy & Bec Smith's home

Apr 28 Guest speaker Rev. Melissa Stephens from Washington UCC, Cincinnati

Property & Worship Team meetings after Church

- April is our month to supply the Food Pantry. Food donations may be left in the overflow room and monetary donations
 are collected in the orange box.
- We have sign-up sheets in the overflow room for Greeters, Acolytes, Special Music, and Flowers. We encourage you to share your talents with the congregation. Please consider signing up.
- Your continued support is appreciated and may be mailed to West Liberty UCC PO Box 427, West Liberty.



PRAYER REQUESTS and JOYS (*New addition to prayer list)

Lucy & Luke Vicki Lingrell Debbie Hamilton

Josh Thomas Darry Plank Randi Murphy Scott Griswold

Our nursing home residents Our service men & women

Organist: Rose Michael

Song Leader: Lauren Flora
Ministers: The Entire Congregation

Serving Today

Nursery: Kathy Etgen
Children's Message: Bill Warner

Sound: Dennis McIntosh
Screens: Kaylee Powell
Videotaping: Bec Smith

Serving Next Week (Apr 21, 2024)

Organist: Sandra MorrisSound: Ray EtgenSong Leader: Penny HigginsNursery: Julie WilcoxScreens: Ed ArmentroutMinisters: The Entire CongregationChildren's Message: Rob PainterVideotaping: Bec Smith