

LAKEWOOD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming Congregation

1375 West Clifton Boulevard, Lakewood, OH



Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

October 12, 2025 | 10:00 AM

Photo from Pastor Joanna at a writing retreat this week in Austin, TX
Liturgy Adapted from UCC Worship Ways

Announcements and Welcome

Prelude

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

LCC Handbell Choir

Diane Bish

* Call to Worship

One: We celebrate the Holy One who eases our souls.

Many: Come and see what God has done!

One: We celebrate the Holy One who keeps us from slipping.

Many: Come and see what God has done!

One: We celebrate the Holy One whose steadfast love sustains us.

Many: Come and see what God has done!

*Opening Hymn

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

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*Prayer of Invocation (in unison)

Loving God, Compassionate Architect, You are the bearer of all our souls, the hope of all possibilities when walls surround us. You carve paths in mountainous regions when our roads appear blocked. You build bridges between people separated by gaps and distances. May we be ones who create channels so that your children continue to form relationships with one another and with you. Amen.

Anthem

Praise His Holy Name

LCC Chancel Choir

Keith Hampton

A Time of Prayer

Invitation to Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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.

Prayer Response

Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

A Time of Sharing

Offertory

Gabriel Fauré
arr. Kevin McChesney

Pavane

LCC Handbell Choir

* Doxology (in unison)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

Divine Crafter of Joy, Through your great works, we see your glory. Through our work together, we reflect your glory to a world of pain. May we deliver your dreams and build your Realm here on earth. Bless the work of our hearts as we move into a future filled with hope and living your visions. Amen.

The Reading of God's Word

Earl Melvin

Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten with a skin disease

approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Reflection

Rev. Joanna D'Agostino

*Closing Hymn

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Great Is Thy Faithfulness

*Benediction

Postlude

Our Mission Statement proclaims our common goal.

*We strive to be a welcoming,
worshiping community of faith,
helping people discover and deepen
their relationship with God, growing as
disciples of Christ, and reaching out in
faith and loving service.*

***In keeping with the spirit of our Mission Statement,
Lakewood Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, is an Open
and Affirming congregation. Wherever you are on life's journey, we
welcome you and all people of every sexual orientation, age, ability,
gender identity and expression, and ethnic, economic, and racial
background into the full life and ministry of our church. We declare this
in the everlasting grace of the Still-Speaking God.***