

Hiram Christian Church
Eastertide
Sunday, April 28, 2024



Broken Vessel by Lauren Wright Pittman

"And this serves to tell of the greatness of the Holy One, Blessed be He, as when a person stamps several coins with one seal, they are all similar to each other.

But the supreme King of kings, the Holy One, Blessed be He, stamped all people with the seal of Adam the first man, as all of them are his offspring, and not one of them is similar to another."

~ Sanhedrin 37.a 15

May this time of worship be nurturing to your Spirit,
further encouraging you to be who God has created you to be.

Prelude *Voluntary No. 5* James Hook

Welcome

Peace

One: God's Grace and Peace be with you.
Many: **And also with you.**

*Call to Worship:

One: Give thanks to God, who is good.

Many: **God's love is everlasting.**

One: Come, let us praise God joyfully.

Many: **Let us come to God with thanksgiving.**

One: For the church universal, and for this congregation of your people,

Many: **thank you, God.**

One: For this place in which we gather for praise and prayer, witness and service, in the name of Jesus Christ,

Many: **thank you, God.**

One: For disciples young and old who have been nurtured here in faith,

Many: **thank you, God.**

One: For the faithful who have led and loved us, and by the offering of their gifts,
equipped us all for the work of ministry,

Many: **thank you, God.**

One: For the ministries of worship and mission, nurture and fellowship, and for all whose lives
have been touched by them,

Many: **thank you, God.**

One: For all the saints who have stood among us, whose memory still enlivens our faith
and emboldens our witness,

Many: **thank you, God.**

One: Receive our gratitude, Holy God, for the years through which you have led us,
and open us to the future you promise. Give thanks to God, who is good.

Many: **God's love is everlasting.**

*Hymn *All Things Bright and Beautiful* #61

Prayers of the People

Stillness

The Lord's Prayer *(The language of "debts" and "debtors" is often used. The prayer may begin with the image of parent, "Our Father" or "Our Mother." Use the language that draws you close to our God.)*

Invitation to the Table This is the Lord's Table. This is an Open Table. Lucy Etling
All are welcome. All are worthy.

Communion Hymn *One Bread, One Body* #393

Celebration of Communion

Prayer of Gratitude Lucy Etling

Response *Amen, Amen, Amen* #312

Children's Sermon

Scripture Reading I Corinthians 1: 10 – 18 p. NT 127

Sermon **"Of One Accordion"** Rev. Chris McCreight

*Hymn *One Is the Body* (see below)

Invitation to Stewardship ++		Lucy Etling
Offertory		
Doxology	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.	#46
*Prayer of Gratitude		Lucy Etling
*Benediction		Rev. Chris McCreight
*Hymn of Going Forth	<i>Weave</i>	#495
Postlude	<i>Meditation on Ave Maris Stella</i>	<i>Robert Cockroft</i>

Following the Benediction, your service begins.

61 All Things Bright and Beautiful

All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea - tures great and small,

all things wise and won - der - ful, in love God made them all.

1. Each lit - tle flower that op - ens, each lit - tle bird that sings,
2. The pur - ple - head - ed moun - tain, the riv - er run - ning by,
3. The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas - ant sum - mer sun,

WORDS: Cecil F. Alexander, 1848
 MUSIC: English melody (17th century); adapt. Martin Shaw, 1915

ROYAL OAK
 76.76 w. refrain

♩=112-120

God made their glow - ing col - ors, and made their tin - y wings.
 the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright - ens up the sky.
 the ripe fruits in the gar - den, God made them ev - ery one.

ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

John Foley, S.J.

Refrain

One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all,
one cup of bless-ing which we bless. And we, though
man-y, through-out the earth, we are one bod-y in this

Verses

one Lord. 1. Gen-tile or Jew, ser-vant or
2. Man-y the gifts, man-y the
3. Grain for the fields, scat-tered and

to Refrain
1. free, wom-an or man, no more.
2. works, one in the Lord of all.
3. grown, gath-ered to one, for all.

Text: Based on 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; 12:4, 12-13, 20; Galatians 3:28; Ephesians 4:4-6; The Didache 9.
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One Is the Body

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PEACOCK 10.10.12

C Csus C Csus C

1 One is the bod - y and one is the Head, one is the
2 Christ who as - cend - ed to heav - en a - bove is the same
3 Gifts have been giv - en well suit - ed to each, some to be
4 Called in - to ser - vice are wom - en and men so that this

Csus C Csus Am Cmaj7/G

Spir - it by whom we are led; one God and Moth - er, one
Je - sus whose na - ture is love, who once de - scend - ed to
proph - ets, to pas - tor or preach, some, through the gos - pel, to
bod - y might ev - er a - gain wit - ness through wor - ship, through

Fmaj7 Dm7 Gsus G C

faith, and one call for all.
bring to this earth new birth.
chal - lenge, con - vert, and teach.
deed, and through word to Christ our Lord.

Weave

495

$E\flat$ Gm Fm $E\flat$ Fm $E\flat$
 Weave, weave, weave us to- geth- er. Weave us to- geth - er in

Fm $B\flat$ $E\flat$ Gm Fm $E\flat$
 u- ni- ty and love. Weave, weave, weave us to - geth- er.

Fm $E\flat$ $B\flat$ $E\flat$ $A\flat$ $E\flat$
 Weave us to - geth - er, to - geth- er in love.

WORDS and MUSIC: Rosemary Crow, 1979

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WEAVE
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♩=48-52

Ministers:	All Friends and Members of Hiram Christian Church
Organist:	Drew Hinkle
Reverend:	Chris McCreight

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

4C's Needs: For May—bar soap, instant mashed potatoes, and pancake syrup. Please remember to check any expiration dates before donating! Monetary donations can be sent to: The 4C's, P.O. Box 227, Mantua, OH 44255

Nelson Garretttsville Comm. Cupboard: 8233 Park Ave, Garretttsville, OH 44231

++ Stewardship: If you would like to make a gift to the church via credit/debit card, you can follow the link to our website below.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Sun. Apr. 28: **9:45am Adult Elective in Fireside Room**
11:00am Worship
1-3:00pm Chi Rho

Mon. Apr. 29: **5:30pm Open & Affirming Process Gathering**

Tue. Apr. 30: **9:00am Bible Study in Rev. Chris' office**
10am-3pm Blood Drive
8:00pm AA

Sun. May 5: **9:45am Adult Elective in Fireside Room**
11:00am Worship

Mon. May 6: **5:30pm Open & Affirming Process Gathering**

STAFF CONTACT & AVAILABILITY:

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Office Administrator Lisa Wright at Secretary@HiramChristianChurch.org

Church office hours: Mon. 9:30-12:30pm; Tue. & Wed. 9:30-3:30pm.

Key: **in Admin. bldg.;** **in the Hall;** **an in-person event;** **hybrid event.**

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