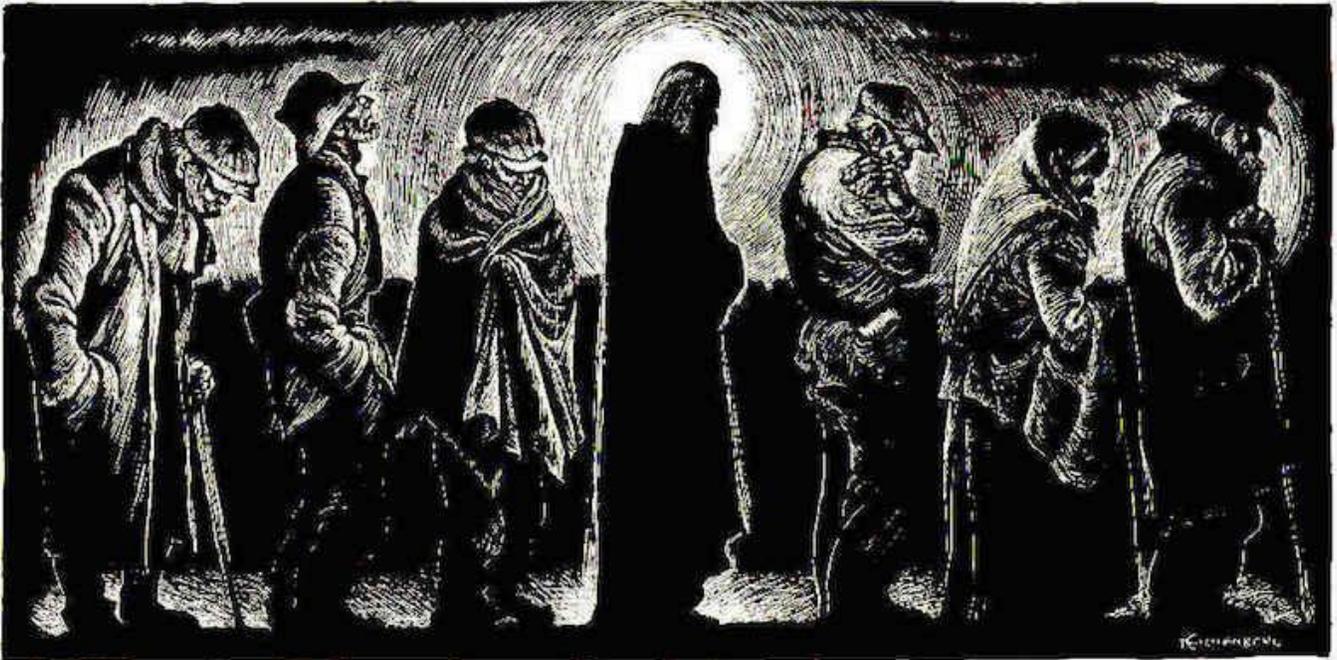


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The Christ of the Breadlines (1950) by Fritz Eichenberg

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WATERVILLE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
WATERVILLE, MAINE
January 17, 2021
9:30 a.m.

Seeking to walk in the Way of Jesus, we are an Open and Affirming church, faithfully using who we are and what we have to serve those on the margins of our community. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Words of Greeting and Announcements

Prelude *Chimes of Freedom* as performed by The Byrds written by
Bob Dylan

David Dean – Piano

Far between sundown's finish
An' midnights broken toll
We ducked inside the doorway, thunder crashing
As majestic bells of bolts
Struck shadows in the sound
Seeming to be the chimes of freedom flashing
Flashing for the warriors whose strength is not to fight
Flashing for the refugees on the unarmed road of flight
An' for each an' every underdog soldier in the night
An' we gazed upon the chimes of freedom flashing

Even though a cloud's white curtain
In a far-off corner flashed
An' the hypnotic splattered mist Was slowly lifting
Electric light still struck like arrows, fired but for the ones
Condemned to drift or else be kept from drifting
Tolling for the searching ones, on their speechless, seeking trail
For the lonesome-hearted lovers with too personal a tale
An' for each unharmed, gentle soul misplaced inside a jail
An' we gazed upon the chimes of freedom flashing

Starry-eyed an' laughing as I recall when we were caught
Trapped by no track of hours for they hanged suspended
As we listened one last time an' we watched with one last look
Spellbound an' swallowed 'til the tolling ended

Tolling for the aching ones whose wounds cannot be nursed
For the countless confused, accused, misused, strung-out ones an' worse
An' for every hung-up person in the whole wide universe
An' we gazed upon the chimes of freedom flashing

Call to Worship (responsively)

Liturgist: Lora Downing

Inspired by *A Prayer for Courage* by Henri J. M. Nouwen

God, give me the courage to be revolutionary,
as your Son Jesus Christ was.

Give me the courage to loosen myself from this world,
as your Son Jesus Christ did.

Teach me to stand up free and to shun no criticism,
as your Son Jesus Christ did.

God, it is for your kingdom.
Make me free,

make me poor in this world.
**Then I will be rich in the real world,
which is what life is all about.**

God, thank you for the vision of the future,
**but help me make it fact and not just theory.
Amen.**

Opening Hymn

Listen to Your Savior Call

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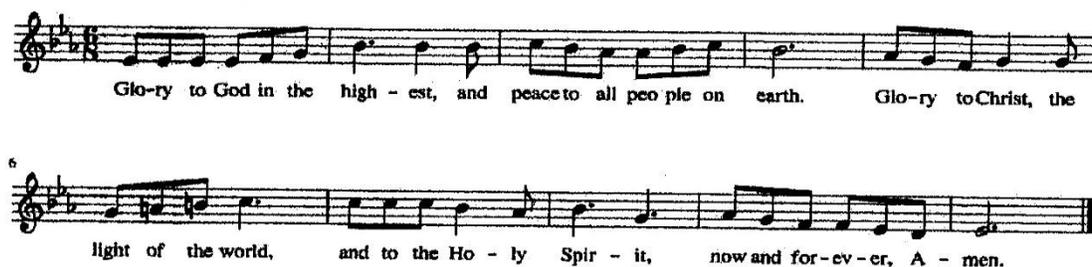
Prayer of Invocation (Unison)

Lord God, our Creator, no one has ever seen You but You have shown yourself to us in Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Help us to recognize his face in the poor and the humble. Do not allow us to overlook him in the brokenhearted and the weak. Let the Holy Spirit give us the courage to bring his good news of hope and joy to all who wait for him and need him, whether they know it or not. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Song of Praise

Glory to God in the Highest

Anna Beth Rynders



Storytime *The Day You Begin* by Jacqueline Woodson

Prayers

Pastoral Prayer

Prayers from our Prayer Book

Prayers of the People

Silent Prayers

Prayer of our Savior (say the one that is in your heart)

A Traditional Version

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen**

A Contemporary Version

Our Creator in heaven, holy is your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Do not lead us into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Musical Interlude *I Wish I Knew How It Would Feel To Be Free*

Billy Taylor and Dick Dallas

Dedication of Offerings

Scripture Lesson Luke 4: 14-30

¹⁴ Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵ He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone

¹⁶ When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸ “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

²⁰ And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹ Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” ²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” ²³ He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’” ²⁴ And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown. ²⁵ But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; ²⁶ yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. ²⁷ There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” ²⁸ When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. ²⁹ They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. ³⁰ But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

Message

You Say You Want a Revolution

Sarah Mills

Closing Hymn

God of Grace and God of Glory

Insert

Benediction

Postlude

Revolution

Paul McCartney and John Lennon

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hold the Date

Annual Meeting will be Sunday, Feb. 7 at 11am via Zoom. The Annual Report and Call to the Annual Meeting will be sent by email at a later date. Below is the zoom link.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88248616494?pwd=Z0gva3BPSENEZld4dWhNNC9QQ2V1QT09>

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Called to Share a Message?

The Narrative Lectionary calendar of readings can be found [by clicking here!](#) Does one of the upcoming readings speak to you? If you are interested in offering the message on that day, please email Sarah (millss207@gmail.com) at least two weeks before the date of the reading and she will be happy to arrange for you to give that week's message! This can also be done in-person or via Zoom and you do not need to worry about arranging anything other than what you would like to say during the message! Sarah looks forward to hearing from you!

Join us on Zoom 9:30 a.m. for Sunday Morning worship by clicking this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/360970974?pwd=OFU2aHJyWWgxndncyL3d5aFNjVnlDUT09>

Or by going to Zoom.us and entering the Meeting ID 360 970 974 and Password 835873.

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We're on YouTube!

Did you know we have a YouTube channel?! We post our weekly children's videos on there and will now be posting the recordings of our worship services as well! Follow this link, subscribe to the channel, or bookmark the page, and check in every week for new videos! [Just click here!](#)

Daily Prayer Check in password.

The safest and most effective way to connect to a Zoom meeting is to manually enter the Meeting ID, in this case 914 158 897 - and then the password - 693668

If you want to try just clicking on this link with the password embedded, it should also work:

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Our Church Life: This Coming Week
January 17, 2020

Today, Jan.	17	9:30 a.m. Worship Service on Zoom and You Tube – Sarah Mills
Monday	18	Office Closed 10:00 a.m. Daily prayer/check-in time on Zoom
Tuesday	19	Office Closed 10:00 a.m. Daily prayer/check-in time on Zoom
Wednesday	20	9:00 a.m. Essentials Closet 10:00 a.m. Daily prayer/check-in time on Zoom
Thursday	21	10:00 a.m. Daily prayer/check-in time on Zoom 5:00 p.m. Essentials Closet
Friday	22	9:00 a.m. Essentials Closet 10:00 a.m. Daily prayer/check-in-time on Zoom
Saturday	23	10:00 a.m. Daily prayer/check-in time on Zoom
Sunday	24	9:30 a.m. Worship Service on Zoom and You Tube - Sarah Mills

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Sarah Mills- Worship Leader and Sunday School Teacher
Sally Melcher-McKeagney, R.N. - Faith Community Nurse

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