



September 12, 2021 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:45 am

[Zoom link](#) Meeting ID: 302 054 4990 Passcode: 381038

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship and Opening Prayer

Listen! The voice of God cuts through swirling chaos, rises above the mists and shadows,

and calls into being something only God could see.

In the beginning, God brought forth good. Today, in the midst of everything,

God brings forth good.

We come to worship the One who created and is creating space for abundant life.

Let us worship the Lord!

Opening Hymn "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

**All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.**

**Each little flow'r that opens, each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors, God made their tiny wings. [Refrain]**

**The purple-headed mountain, the river running by,
the sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky; [Refrain]**

**The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden, God made them, ev'ry one. [Refrain]**

**God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell
how great is God Almighty, who has made all things well. [Refrain]**

Greeting One Another in Christ's Name

Scripture Reading	Genesis 1:1-2:4a	OT, p. 1
Choir Anthem	"Hallowed Be Thy Name"	<i>arr. Fettke</i>
Sermon	"Where Are You From?"	Rev. Dave Russell
Hymn	"I've Got Peace Like a River"	<i>spiritual</i>

1. I've got peace like a river... in my soul

2. I've got joy like a fountain...

3. I've got love like an ocean...

Morning Prayer

Closing Hymn

1. Halle, Halle, Halle - Iujah...

**2. Praise to God from whom all - blessings flow,
Praise to God all creatures – here below**

Praise to God above ye – heavenly host / Hallelujah, Hallelujah

3. Halle, Halle, Halle - Iujah...

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Leading in Worship Today:

Pastor	Rev. Dr. David W. Russell
Director of Music	Mindy Phomvisay
Music Intern	Emma Phomvisay
Worship Leader	Jacelyn Rudderow

Today: Lunch follows Worship

Tuesday: Trustees Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday: Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.

Thursday: Virtual Coffee Shop 10:00 a.m.

Church School Begins Next Sunday!

Bible Study Class: Meets in Library, "Women of the New Testament".

Theology Class: Meets 11:15 on Zoom, video/discussion series
"The Prodigal Species Comes Home".

College Class: Will meet in the College Lounge next Sunday to make plans for the semester.

Youth K-12: Hybrid format of in-person in downstairs classroom or on Zoom.

(Details in the September Spire.)

Theologian in Residence

Ames UCC invites you to attend this year's Theologian in Residence event featuring Dr. Karen L. King September 18-19, 2021. Due to the pandemic, the event will be offered remotely via Zoom. Dr. King is the author of books and articles on the diversity of ancient Christianity, women and gender studies, and martyrdom and violence. She is the Hollis Professor of Divinity, Harvard University. More details and registration for the Zoom sessions are available on the [Ames UCC website](#).

CROP Walk

The Ames CROP Walk to fight hunger is October 10. You may walk or sponsor a walker. See Dawn Doerr-Johnson for a sponsor sheet.

Relief for Haiti, Hurricane Victims

If you wish to give to relief efforts in Haiti or to victims of Hurricane Ida, you may give through our church. Write checks to First Baptist with memo "OGHS-Haiti" or "OGHS-Hurricane Ida." 100% of gifts will go toward relief efforts as administrative costs are covered through other channels.

Tithes and Offerings

Thank you for your continuing support of our church! If you are unable to give in person, you may mail checks to the church at 200 Lynn Ave. 50014 (attn.: Financial Sec.) or give via PayPal from our website at fbcomes.org.



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