

**Congregational Church of Birmingham
United Church of Christ**

A Just World for All



**Sunday
May 8, 2022
10:00 AM**

Welcome Visitors! We hope you enjoy this church home. Please take a moment to join us in signing and passing the Ritual of Friendship book in the pews. We heartily welcome you to this church family.

Our Nursery is available during worship. An usher can direct you.

You May Contact Rev. Carrie Orlando for any pastoral request or emergency at 586-292-4561. She has graciously agreed to be "on-call" for us while Rev. Ralph Brown is on vacation. Pastor Ralph returns to the pulpit next Sunday, May 15.

Prayer Requests? Email them to the church office (ccbinfo@cclubucc.org) by 9:00 AM Monday for inclusion in the Weekly Prayers email.

Get in the Loop! Stay current on CCBUCC news. Contact the church office to receive our email communications.

View Sunday Worship Live Streams and all previously recorded services at: <https://www.youtube.com/c/CongregationalChurchofBirminghamUCC>

A VERY SPECIAL WELCOME TO HAZZAN STEVE KLAPER, our guest preacher while Pastor Ralph is on vacation. Hazzan Klaper, who was one of our Sabbatical guest preachers in 2019, is a Jewish troubadour, a spiritual storyteller, minstrel, teacher and inspirational speaker. An ordained Cantor, Maggid and teacher of the Torah, Hazzan Steve draws upon his Orthodox roots and over 40 years of experience as a professional musician to infuse traditional Jewish teachings with ancient and contemporary melodies, mystical chant, sacred tales and wisdom from a variety of traditions. We are grateful and thrilled to have him return to CCB this morning.

WORSHIP IN OUR SANCTUARY IS LIVE STREAMED so that those unable to be with us in person can worship online on our YouTube channel (see link below). We're happy to be accessible to everyone and are deeply grateful to Chris Hiner for creating the technological set up! We invite others to be trained to monitor the sound and live chat. Our Media & Communications Specialist, Daniel Jaros, runs the streaming technology during the service. Interested in how it works? Worship up in the balcony and learn the ropes!

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ALL CHILDREN & YOUTH ARE WELCOME TO SUNDAY SCHOOL: Pre-K through 8th graders will go to their classrooms after Children's Time in worship each Sunday, to be collected there later at 11:15 AM after worship. The Leadership Club (confirmation students) will meet again after worship on Sunday, May 22, at 11:15 AM, to explore their own faith in God and go on a field trip to the Holocaust Memorial Center in Farmington Hills. Questions? Contact Carmel at: carmelf711@yahoo.com

WORSHIP GUIDE

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[Live Streaming Begins Here]

PRELUDE "Give Thanks" Smith, arr. Hayes

WELCOME Galen Fisher

SONG "Morning Has Broken" CH #53
Hazzan Steve Klaper and All

**Morning has broken like the first morning,
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!**

**Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.**

**Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's recreation of the new day!**

OPENING PRAYER Psalm 57:5, 7, 11 (TIB) Galen Fisher and All

Rise high above the heaven, O God,
and let your glory cover the earth!
My heart is ready, O God, my heart is ready:
I will sing and play for you!

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**Rise high above the heaven, O God,
and let your glory cover the earth! Amen.**

SUNG RESPONSE

"Bless the Lord"

Taize'

Hazzan Steve Klaper and All

(from Psalm 103)

**Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy Name
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into Life**

**Barchi nafshi, et shem Adonai
Barchi nafshi, et shem kodsho**

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TIME WITH CHILDREN

Dr. Carmel Tinnes

(Pre-K through 8th grade children may now go to their lessons.)

SONG

"Sanctuary"

B. & J. Johnson

Hazzan Steve Klaper and All

**O Lord prepare me to be a Sanctuary,
pure and holy, tried and true
And with thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for You**

**Vasu li mikdash, vasu li mikdash, v'shochanti b'tocham
Va'anachnu n'vareich Yah, mei-ata v'ad olam**

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OUR CONVERSATION

Hazzan Steve Klaper

PRAYER IN SONG

**"You Are the One"
Hazzan Steve Klaper**

D. Friedman

THE PRAYER OF JESUS

Galen Fisher and All

**Our Loving God, beyond and within, holy is your name.
Your community come, your way be followed on earth
as it is in heaven. Give us, today, our daily bread.**

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For yours is the way, the power and the glory, now and forever.

Amen.

OUR GIFTS & SERVICE

Galen Fisher

Your offering is welcomed in support of our ministry and may be made online at www.ccbucc.org; placed in the offering plate at the worship welcome area before, during, and after worship; or mailed to the church Attn: Treasurer.

SONG

"Ozi v'Zimrat Yah"

S. Gold

Hazzan Steve Klaper and All

(from Exodus 15:2)

O God, You are my strength, my song and salvation (x2)

Ozi v'zimrat Yah, vay'hi li li-shu-ah (x2)

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BENEDICTION

Hazzan Steve Klaper

POSTLUDE

"I'll Fly Away"

Brumley, arr. Hayes

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WE THANK our greeters, ushers, guest preacher, reader, Tech Team: Daniel Jaros & Chris Hiner, Worship Design: Leslie O'Day-Benyo, and Music Team: Joe Bentley & Yalan Piao, for all their help with today's service.

JOYS, CONCERNS & MINISTRY UPDATES

Galen Fisher

(Please sign and pass the Ritual of Friendship pad in your pew.)

We Continue to Pray for:

- Afghan and Ukrainian citizens and refugees, in dire circumstances seeking safety and peace
 - All at risk in contracting COVID-19
 - Ben Sharpe, with anxiety and depression challenges
 - Bob Rauth and family, grieving the death of his wife, Marilyn
 - Charles Sinclair, an 11-month-old receiving cancer treatments
 - Cindy Kyle and family, grieving the death of her mother, Annabelle
 - Cliff & Jacquie Wagoner, adjusting in their new spaces
 - David, brother of Paul von Oeyen, gratefully in remission from leukemia, and dealing with lingering complications from decreased immunity
 - Elie Schulz, recovering from ACL repair surgery
 - Greg Peterson and family, grieving the death of his aunt, Judy Brooks
 - Jean Thomson, in assisted living following a stroke
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- Jeff Foust’s mother, diagnosed with breast cancer
- Liz Kircos, in rehab following hip surgery after a fall
- Lynn McClinton, Leslie Benyo’s sister, recovering from a mild stroke and dealing with other infirmities
- Mary Peterson and family, grieving the death of her mother, Edith Price
- Melissa Crook and family, separated from her daughter, Calliope
- Oxford students, teachers, and all families, grieving in the wake of gun violence
- Ruth Biersdorf, in treatment for cancer
- Shirley Fogarty, recovering in Florida after a fall
- Sue Potter and family, mourning the death of her brother, Robert
- Victims of war, violence, and natural disasters everywhere
- Youth and adults with mental health challenges

OUR MINISTRY UPDATES

PLEASE CHECK THE LOST & FOUND at the coat rack near the front entrance. All unclaimed items will be added to “RUMMAGE”!

COUNTDOWN TO THE 2022 RUMMAGE SALE!

Seeking Your DONATIONS of Good Stuff! Books, Clothing, Collectibles, Decorative Items, Electronics, Housewares, Linens, Sporting Goods, Tools, Toys/Games, etc. Furniture only in great condition and desirable. Clean items in working order sell best. Think “Would I buy that?” Accepting your Friends & Neighbor’s Donations, too. Receipts provided for tax purposes.

We Need Your HELP!

Sat, May 14.....	10 AM - 1 PM.....	Move racks & equipment from garage
Sun, May 15.....	11 AM - 5 PM.....	Move furniture, Set-up rooms, Drop-off Rummage, Sort
Mon, May 16.....	9 AM - 5 PM.....	Drop-off, Sort & Price
	5 PM - 8 PM.....	‘Late Shift’ - Sort & Price
Tues, May 17.....	9 AM - 5 PM.....	Sort & Price – NO DONATIONS Please
Wed, May 18.....	5 PM - 8 PM.....	Opening Night Sale - 25% Markup
Thurs, May 19.....	11 AM - 3 PM.....	Regular Sale
	3 - 4 PM.....	Closed
	4 PM - 7 PM.....	Bag Sale & ½ Price (large items)

	7 PM - 8 PM.....	Bagging leftovers for charity pickup
Fri, May 20.....	10 AM - Noon.....	Bagging leftovers for charity pickup
Sat, May 21.....	10 AM - 1 PM.....	Cleanup / Prep church for Sunday Worship

Volunteer Early Shopping while you work. 'Hold Area' in Sanctuary to place items of interest. 'Hold tags' on larger items (pending pricing). Allow time for department leaders to price items on Monday/Tuesday. The opportunity to buy before the general public is worth the 25% markup!

Special 'Late Shift' for those with day jobs. Come to CCB on Monday, 5 PM – 8 PM to help sort and price.

We're Hiring! Department leaders for: Books, Holiday, Linens, Patio & Garden (Outdoors), Sporting Goods & Luggage, and Toys.

Questions? Contact Steve Olson (248-514-8746) or Lynn Wilsher (248-514-1563).

Food provided for volunteers! Make it a family activity!

Teenagers – earn community service hours! Masks Optional!

All Proceeds Benefit the Outreach and Missions of the Church!
Feel free to bring a friend to volunteer!

NEEDED: FERNDALE PRIDE 2022 LEAD VOLUNTEER - CCBUCC has a table reserved at Ferndale PRIDE on Saturday, June 4, from 12 PM-7ish. We're looking for a person to lead volunteers from our church to promote CCB. Please contact Steve Payer if interested at stevejpayer@gmail.com

MINISTRY TEAMS SIGN-UP: Use the following link to the Google sheets sign-up documents for all the CCBUCC Ministry Teams throughout the year: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1-SdAgQsKF_zVLNdWYhS-UYS8cuhK1U48_GWqE3PH-Bs/edit#gid=0 Check often for continuing and new opportunities to participate. Access the document as many times as you wish. Change/update your choices as needed. Paper sheets are also available on a table outside the Sanctuary. Questions? Email Cathy Rupert cathyrupert@hotmail.com

The complete church calendar is on our website: www.ccbucc.org

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Fourth Sunday of Easter May 8, 2022

Welcome to CCBUCC an "Open and Affirming" Church

We warmly welcome everyone to worship and into the full life and leadership of the church. Whatever your background - your race, your nationality, your physical or mental condition, your gender, your sexual orientation - whoever you are and wherever you come from, we welcome you in love as Jesus Christ welcomes all. Gathered by the Holy Spirit, may the comfort and challenge of God's presence renew and inspire us all throughout the coming week. Again, welcome!



A Stephen Ministry Congregation

Contact a Stephen Minister Leader:

Dr. Paul von Oeyen 248-646-0837

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CHURCH LEADERSHIP & STAFF

Ministers - The Congregation

Dr. Carmel Tinnes, Director of Christian Education

Dr. Yalan Piao, Accompanist

Daniel Jaros, Media & Communications Specialist

Church Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 AM-3:30 PM, Lunch Break: 12:30 PM-1:00 PM

Rev. Ralph Brown, Bridge Pastor

Dr. Joe Bentley, Choral Director

Jasmin West, Preschool/Early Elementary Teacher

Beth Prevost, Church Administrator