

WELCOME to Shadow Rock United Church of Christ! We do our best to live out our core values of inclusion, justice and spirituality. We are glad you are here and we hope we can be partners in your journey.

Prelude

Cool Change

Welcome and Announcements

Strengthening Connection

Coming Together

(Please stand if you are comfortably able)

Karen Dritsas

One: When we know in our bones we matter,

All: we are Whole.

One: When we stand tall,

All: we are Whole.

One: When we feel worthy,

All: we are Whole.

One: When we move our bodies with pride,

All: we are Whole.

One: When we eat healthy,

All: we are Whole.

One: When we share bread with the hungry,

All: we are Whole.

One: When we believe we are a child of God,

All: we are Whole.

One: When we offer care and healing to those who need it,

All: we are Whole.

One: When we offer mercy,

All: we are Whole.

One: God is the source of our Wholeness, in Her we are grounded.

All: Holy, make us whole: body, mind, and soul!

Singing Our Faith

Holy Wisdom, Lamp of Healing

by Ruth Duck

Beach Spring Tune

Holy Wisdom, lamp of healing,

Bless the light that reason lends.

Teach us judgment as we kindle

Sparks of thought your Spirit sends.

Sanctify our search for wholeness

And the truth that sets us free.

Come, illumine flesh and spirit joined in deepest unity.

Holy God, the hope of nations,

Tune us toward your righteous will,

as the symphony of ages

claims our best, our finest skill.

Shape our search for peace and justice

Through prophetic deed and work.

Christ, conduct us, set our rhythm, that God's praise be ever heard.



Gathering Prayer

Karen Dritsas

God of this day, and of our whole lives,
thank you that each day we can change our ways to your way.

Thank you for the people we have met today;
those who challenge how we think;
those who accept us as we are; those who forgive us.

Thank you that their response to us helps us to accept ourselves and
others and to find new ways to love our neighbors and ourselves.

Passing the Peace

Karen Dritsas

One: In this day made fresh may we embrace this day in hope.

All: Let us embrace each other in peace.

Special Music

Our Great Band

Learning Something of Value

Word About Life

Matthew 5:38-44

³⁸ "You have heard that it was said, *An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.* ³⁹ But I say to you that you must not oppose those who want to hurt you. If people slap you on your right cheek, you must turn the left cheek to them as well. ⁴⁰ When they wish to haul you to court and take your shirt, let them have your coat too. ⁴¹ When they force you to go one mile, go with them two. ⁴² Give to those who

ask, and don't refuse those who wish to borrow from you.⁴³ "You have heard that it was said, *You must love your neighbor* and hate your enemy.⁴⁴ But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who harass you⁴⁵ so that you will be acting as children of your Father who is in heaven. He makes the sun rise on both the evil and the good and sends rain on both the righteous and the unrighteous.⁴⁶ If you love only those who love you, what reward do you have? Don't even the tax collectors do the same?⁴⁷ And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing? Don't even the Gentiles do the same?⁴⁸ Therefore, just as your heavenly God is complete in showing love to everyone, so also you must be complete.

Word About Life for Today

"Wholeness For All"

Rev. Dr. Patricia StandTal Clarke, MD

What We Need and What We Give

Celebrations

Rev. Ken Heintzelman

This is our time to share the celebrations of our lives:
birthdays, anniversaries, words of kindness
and works of peace and justice.

Celebration Song

Celebrate your heart and your spirit,
Celebrate your life while you live it.
Even when it's hard to do,
Celebrate the best of you.

Celebrate your dreams and your visions,
Celebrate the love you've been given.
Cherish all that you've been through,
Celebrate the best of you.

Invitation to Give

Karen Dritsas

One: Let us pray together:

**All: In love, God calls us to health and wholeness
in our own lives:**

One: For all who care for us emotionally, physically and
spiritually; who hold us, encourage us and challenge us,
who stir us in spirit to make healthy responses to the ebb
and flow of living;

All: We give You thanks.

One: For all who offer food or shelter or a listening heart;
who gently hold a troubled hand, or sit silently in simple
accompaniment;

All: We give You thanks.

One: For all who honor and care for those who are aging,
who rock babies and children in need of comfort
in an unkind and terrifying world;

All: We give You thanks.

One: For all who see each person's worth
and actively oppose discrimination,

All: We give You thanks.

Inspire us, Holy One, to trust that your healing love will bring health and wholeness to us and to the whole human family.

Offering for Thanks, Work and Hope

Cornerstone Chorale

The Whisper
by Craig Courtney

Dedication of Our Offerings and Ourselves

Karen Dritsas

One: With faith in the knowledge we matter,

All: Make us Whole: body, mind, and soul.

One: With love for all others who share this life with us,

All: Let us go forward together in peace.

One: These are the times

All: We are the people.

One: All of Creation is blessed!

All: May we love all and serve all!

One: May God be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Amen.

All: Amen.



Sending Forth Song

For All Of Life

(Melody: For All The Saints)

1. For health and home, for sunshine and the rain,
For smiles and tears, for happiness and pain,
For love that grows as it is ever shared,
For all of life, Lord, we rejoice and thank you.
2. For all the past, whatever that has been,
The present day, the choices that we make,
The future, too, that stands and waits for us,
For all of life, Lord, we rejoice and thank you.
3. And for the gift of self that we have claimed,
More precious than whatever else might be,
We shout our joy for this life that we have,
For all of life, Lord, we rejoice and thank you.



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