

# Community of Christ

Chicago Mission Center Worship Service

Sunday, May 10, 2026

## *Living Anticipation*

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<b>Prelude</b>		AV
<b>Centering Hymn</b>	<i>“Come Away from Rush and Hurry”</i>	CCS 83
<b>Welcome</b>		Roger Hintzsche
<b>Call to Worship</b>		Roger
<i>Collective Imagining</i>		
Scripture	<i>Doctrine and Covenants 161:3a</i>	
<b>Hymn of Community</b>	<i>“Weave”</i>	CCS 327
<b>Invocation</b>		Jude Vickery
<b>Response</b>		AV
<b>Prayer for Peace</b>		Sue Thompson
<i>Lighting of your peace candles</i>		
<i>Prayer</i>		
<b>Personal Reflections</b>		Bob White, Joy Weydert-Fine
<b>Community Hymn</b>	<i>“Restless Weaver”</i>	CCS 145
<b>Spiritual Practice Video</b>		AV
<b>Sharing in the Spoken Word</b>		Michelle Phillips
<b>Hymn of Reflection</b>	<i>“Creator of the Intertwined”</i>	CCS 344
<b>Disciples’ Generous Response</b>		Blake Smith
<i>Video:</i>	<i>“Be Generous of Spirit”</i>	AV
<i>Hymn of Generosity</i>	<i>“Bear Each Other’s Burdens”</i>	CCS 374
<i>Blessing of Local and Worldwide Mission Tithes</i>		
<b>Hymn of Joyous Service</b>	<i>“Alleluia! Hear God’s Story”</i>	CCS 271
<b>Sending Forth</b>	<i>Responsive Reading</i>	Sharon and Mike Crase
<i>Leader: God is the Great Weaver of Life.</i>		
<b>People: Jesus is our hope.</b>		
<i>Leader: The Holy Spirit moves among us.</i>		
<b>People: We are here for each other.</b>		
<b>ALL: Be with us, God, as we declare hope to a world in need.</b>		
<b>Commission</b>		Roger
<b>Postlude</b>		AV

## Come Away from Rush and Hurry

CCS #83

Come away from rush and hurry to the stillness of God's peace;  
from our vain ambition's worry, come to Christ to find release.  
Come away from noise and clamor, life's demands and frenzied pace;  
come to join the people gathered here to seek and find God's face.

In the pastures of God's goodness we lie down to rest our soul.  
From the waters of God's mercy we drink deeply, are made whole.  
At the table of God's presence all the saints are richly fed.  
With the oil of God's anointing into service we are led.

Come, then, children, with your burdens— life's confusions, fears and pain.  
Leave them at the cross of Jesus; take instead his kingdom's reign.  
Bring your thirsts, for he will quench them— he alone will satisfy.  
All our longings find attainment when to self we gladly die.

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## Weave CCS #327

*Weave, weave, weave us together.*  
*Weave us together in unity and love.*  
*Weave, weave, weave us together.*  
*Weave us together, together in love.*

We are many textures, we are many colors, each one diff'rent from the other.  
But we are entwined with one another in one great tapestry.

We are diff'rent instruments playing our own melodies, each one tuning to a diff'rent key.  
But we are all playing in harmony in one great symphony.

Moments ago we did not know our unity, only diversity.  
Now the Christ in me greets the Christ in thee in one great family.

## Restless Weaver

CCS #145

Restless Weaver, ever spinning threads of justice and shalom;  
dreaming patterns of creation where all creatures find a home;  
gath'ring up life's varied fibers—every texture, every hue:  
grant us your creative vision. With us weave your world anew.

Where earth's fragile web is rav'ling help us mend each broken strand.  
Bless our urgent, bold endeavors cleansing water, air, and land.  
Through the Spirit's inspiration—off'ring health where once was pain—  
strengthen us to be the stewards of your world knit whole again.

When our violent lust for power ends in lives abused and torn,  
from compassion's sturdy fabric fashion hope and trust reborn.  
Where injustice rules as tyrant, give us courage, God, to dare  
live our dreams of transformation. Make our lives incarnate prayer.

Restless Weaver, still conceiving new life—now and yet to be—  
binding all your vast creation in one living tapestry:  
you have called us to be weavers. Let your love guide all we do.  
With your reign of peace our pattern, we will weave your world anew.

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## Creator of the Intertwined

CCS #344

Creator of the intertwined, you made each soul unique:  
each one with ears to hear faith's call, each one with voice to speak.  
Each worships where the call is heard—in forest, temple, dome,  
on mountain top, in upper room—the soul must find a home.

The song of peace best sung by all: strength born of unity.  
In harmony we celebrate your gift: diversity.  
Can we not sing each other's songs? Speak unfamiliar prayer?  
Rejoicing in the bounty of the diff'rences we share?

In evil's wake we all are hurt; when prick'd all humans bleed.  
With common wounds and shared despair, we seek the balm we need.  
We do not ask before we reach to offer our embrace.  
We do not ask, "How do you pray?" We reach with arms of grace.

Teach us to cherish what is strange and so the richer be;  
to listen with our hearts and speak with loving honesty.  
From diff'rent sources comfort comes, each seeks for the Divine:  
your voice speaks many languages, just one of them is mine.

## Bear Each Other's Burdens

CCS #374

Bear each other's burdens, share each other's suffering,  
and love as the Savior has shown.

The strength of our caring heals pain souls are bearing  
and we are no longer alone.

Bear each other's burdens, share each other's suffering,  
and love as the Savior has shown.

God calls us to healing, divine love revealing,  
wherever we meet human need.

In times so momentous, expectant, portentous,  
the world suffers anguish and greed.

God calls us to healing, divine love revealing,  
wherever we meet human need.

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## Alleluia! Hear God's Story

CCS #271

Alleluia! Hear God's story, still unfolding with each dawn.  
Taste the wine and body broken: God's creative love lives on.  
Who the neighbor? Who the hungry? Who is thirsty for shalom?  
God of journey, in your story; lead us, with the neighbor, home.

Alleluia! Sing the story; God's great faithfulness proclaim.  
Tell of prophets and apostles; sing the pow'r of Jesus' name.  
Who the neighbor? Who the list'ner? Who has ears to hear our song?  
God of hist'ry, tune our voices, make our hopeful witness strong.

Alleluia! Dance the story; every sinew now engage.  
Tethered close in truthful worship, boldly face the coming age.  
Who the neighbor? Who the watchful? Who will welcome life's embrace?  
God of gospel, tell the story through our dancing of your grace.