

Welcome

Psalm 71:1-6

Hymn

All People That on Earth Do Dwell #7

Gathering Prayer

We come to you, O God, bound by the world.

Speak to us your freeing word.

We come to you burdened by life.

Teach us to laugh again.

We come to you weighed down with anxiety.

**Give us a new song in our hearts to sing
your praise. Amen.**

Scripture

Luke 13:10-17

Sermon

Hymn

Bless God, O My Soul #549

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Invitation to Generosity

Offering Response

**All praise to the Father
from whom all blessings come,
And all praise to Christ Jesus, his only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one.
And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love,
yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

**Welcome our offering, O God, and let the fire of
your Spirit refine it for your service and always to
your glory. May our gifts lift burdens, inspire hope,
and spread love as far as the church is found.
Amen.**

Announcements

Hymn Holy, Holy, Holy #277

Blessing

*The most important kind of freedom is to be what you
really are.*

—Jim Morrison

*It is difficult to know at what moment love begins; it is
less difficult to know that it has begun.*

- Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Keep in Prayer

Eloise Horn, Mary Robinson, Lewis Poths,
Nathan Depinet (friend of Adam Rouse),
Linda Stark, Rollie Homan, Lonnie Hall
Our Shut-ins: Allen, Carol, Joan

Offering: May be left in the basket in the back.

Announcements

Worship Sponsor: Ellie Justice,
in honor of her sister, Linda Boyd

Congregational Meeting after worship today

Christian Ed will meet after the meeting

Last Summer Worship Sunday is August 31
September 7 worship is at 10am

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Welcome to the
Monroeville United Church of Christ
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Today's Scripture

Luke 13:10-17

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.