

**WORLD
REFUGEE
DAY 2023**

Finding Freedom

worship as a partnership of

**Week of
Compassion**
Immigrant & Refugee Response
and

**UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST**
Refugee & Migration Ministries/Global H.O.P.E.

WE COME TOGETHER FOR WORSHIP

Words of Welcome

Rev. Terri Hord Owens –
General Minister and President,
Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Welcoming Song

Show Us How to Love
(Mark A. Miller)

Matins Choir –
Plymouth United Church of Christ, Des Moines IA

Brief History of World Refugee Day
and Call to Worship

Lily Cameron -
Ashland Christian Church, Ashland VA

Hymn

Beauty is Before Me
(Navajo prayer; music, Greg Smith)

FaithBridge Interfaith Children's Choir –
First Congregational Church, Crystal Lake IL

Prayer of Invocation

Claretta Witherspoon –
Mt Pleasant Christian Church, Greensboro NC

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lessons

Rev. Lynne Smouse Lopez –
Ainsworth United Church of Christ, Portland OR

First Lesson Leviticus 19:33-34

Psalms Psalms 146:9

Gospel Lesson Matthew 25:31-36

Epistle Lesson Hebrews 13:1-2

Children's Moment

Wishes
(Muon Thi Van)

Rev. Alan Dicken –
Assoc Dir for Immigrant & Refugee Response,
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Message

Hospitalidad

Gustavo Sermeño –
Ainsworth United Church of Christ, Portland OR

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Candle Lighting and Prayer

Rev. Irene Willis Hassan –
Minister for Refugee & Migration Ministries,
Global H.O.P.E.

Call to Action

Rev. Rebekah Choate –
Minister for Global Advocacy & Education,
Global Ministries

Time for Joyful Giving
and Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Hassan

Week of Compassion Text-To-Give: [Text "WOC" to 41444](tel:41444) -> OR <- Give Online to [UCC Refugee Emergency Fund](#)

WE GATHER AROUND THE LORD'S TABLE

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

All who accept Christ's invitation to the Table are invited to participate.

Call to Communion
and Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Ailsa Guardiola Gonzalez –
First Christian Church, Tucson AZ

Words of Institution

Rev. Pedro Ramos-Goycolea –
Comunidad Limen, Tucson AZ

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

All People

Communion Music *When You Do This, Remember Me*
(text, Alexander Campbell; adapted, David L. Edwards)

Dean Phelps –
Singer of Songs, Breaker of Bread
Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Blessing for the Journey

Rev. John Dorhauer –
General Minister and President,
United Church of Christ