**Community Congregational Church of Clinton Heights, U.C.C.**

 **October 8, 2023**

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**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

One: The heavens are telling the glory of God;

**All: And the earth shows God’s handiwork.**

One: Day after day they continue to speak;

**All: Night after night they make him known.**

One: They speak without a sound or a word

**All: Yet their message has gone out to all the earth.**

One: May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our heats,

**All: Be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our Rock and our Redeemer.**

**(Psalm 19)**

**Opening Prayer:**

**O God, the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer of our lives: Make us, we pray, obedient to your commandments and responsive to your grace, that we may live in prosperity as we follow the Author of our whole life: The same Jesus Christ our Lord who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns forever. Amen**

Hymn – Trust and Obey #556

**Children’s Sermon**

Dreamers and Happiness

**Communion**

**Scripture Readings:**

(Mathew 21: 33-46)

Hymn – Ancient Words

**Sermon:**

**Stealing Fruit**

**Hymn – How Great Thou Art #33**

**Prayers for others and ourselves**

**Lord’s Prayer** (using debts/debtors)

**Offering**

**Doxology**

**Hymn –** Just As I Am #339

**Announcements**

**Commission and Benediction Postlude**

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