

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 26, 2025

POLKA SUNDAY

United Church of Christ, Neillsville

Pastor Sue Vornholt



Songs & Hymns
played by
Richie Yurkovich Band

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PRELUDE *"High Above the Clouds"*

RINGING OF THE BELLS

OPENING SONG *"Polka Celebration"*

When you're feeling down and out
and need some cheering up.
I'm going to tell you what you need to do.
Get on out and listen
to your favorite Polka Service,
It's guaranteed to help you, chase away the blues.

Chorus: We're going to have a polka celebration,
You bring your friends out and I'll bring mine.
We're going to have a polka celebration,
We'll go to Polka Service and celebrate with love.

The music has that magic
that will set your heart a whirl,
It's happy rhythm makes you feel so fine.
It's got that touch of happiness,
A smile that cheers you up,
There's nothing like the Polka Service
any place or any time.

Chorus: We're going to have a polka celebration,
You bring your friends out and I'll bring mine.
We're going to have a polka celebration,
We'll go to Polka Service and celebrate with love.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

"Come Into God's House"

**Come into God's house,
join us in worship and praise!
Come into God's house,
hearts, hands and voices we'll raise.
Our God is present,
standing with arms open wide,
Longing to forgive His children,
draw us to His side.**

**Come now and worship,
come now and worship the Lord.
Come now and worship,
join as we sing and adore.
Gather together,
give God the praise that is due.
Hear us as we worship, singing praise to you.**

**One in the spirit, eager to feed on Your word.
One in the spirit, sharing our love in the Lord.
In prayer united,
here at the throne of His grace.
Take the joy of Jesus with you,
when you leave this place.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (in Unison)

**Dear Jesus, You have no body now but ours.
No hands, no feet on earth but ours. Ours are
the eyes through which you look with
compassion on this world. Yours are the feet
with which you walk to do good. Ours are the
hands, ours are the feet, ours are the eyes,
we are your body. Help us to understand
Jesus, that your body on earth is our body. Be
with us as we worship this morning and as we
celebrate with music and honor those in our
church who are using their bodies to bring
your kingdom on earth today. Amen**

MORNING PRAYERS

PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Ephesians 5:15-16

¹⁵ Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, ¹⁶ making the most of the time, because the days are evil.

Psalm 98:4

⁴ Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

MESSAGE

"You Are A Letter from Jesus" Pastor Sue

MUSIC *"Let the Son Shine In"*

Chorus:

So let the Son shine in, shake hands with your neighbor
Happiness will never leave your heart.
So let the Son shine in, shake hands with your neighbor
Happiness will never leave your heart.

Joyful hope, love of God and smiling faces,
Is the heritage we have as sons of God.
Christ has risen to new life, put an end to death and strife,
New we celebrate as one and sons of God.

Chorus:

On the job, in your home, or at a party,
People wishing all their friends the peace of Christ.
Happy feelings in the air, forget your troubles and your cares.

And join all those who share the peace of Christ.

Chorus:

OFFERING SERVICE

Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

God of love and grace, help us carry your love to all those in need through our offering.
Guide us in understanding what you would have us do in service to all that you call your children In Jesus name we pray. Amen

BENEDICTION

POLKA POSTLUDE

"Long Live Our Brothers and Sisters"

When polka music fills the air,
our lives are full and free,
When people dance so merrily,
our faces shine with glee.
When we hear songs of happiness,
and shouts of E,I,O,
Long live our brothers, long live our sisters,
good health, and happiness.
Long live our brothers, long live our sisters,
good health, and happiness.

Brothers and sisters gather round,
let's all hold hand in hand,
His love embraces all the world,
and blesses every land.
Let's keep on singing songs of joy,
and shouts of E,I,O,
Long live our brothers, long live our sisters,
good health, and happiness.
Long live our brothers, long live our sisters,
good health, and happiness.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

WELCOME

We welcome you to our service of worship!

We are glad that you have joined us in-person, through the internet or on the radio.

We pray that you will hear God's call, seek to follow Jesus, led by the Holy Spirit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RADIO BROADCAST

11 AM Sunday radio broadcast on WCCN
98.5FM and 1370AM

Youtube for Sunday, October 26, 2025

<https://youtube.com/live/q96YmviLYdo>

this Sunday's Polka worship services are being held in the fellowship hall / basement

This week's radio broadcast is sponsored anonymously by a "Faithful listener"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Sunday, October 26th

- 9:30 AM Worship

Deacon Host – Sally Sadowska

Greeters – Barb Shoemaker, Kelley Burch

Ushers – Ken Shoemaker, Russ Karl

Power Point – Paul Vine

Following Sunday, November 2nd

Deacon – Karlene Wallace

Greeters – Jim & Rosie Repinski

Ushers – Hap Eddy, Roger Carl

Power Point – Emile Miller

Tuesday, October 28th

- 1:00 PM Bible Study

Please have your articles for the November

Newsletter into the office by Monday, October 27th



TODAY

Neillsville
United Church of Christ
is hosting a POLKA SERVICE

featuring the **Richie Yurkovich Band**
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025

Worship at 9:30 AM - downstairs

Music & Lunch following worship

suggested donation of –

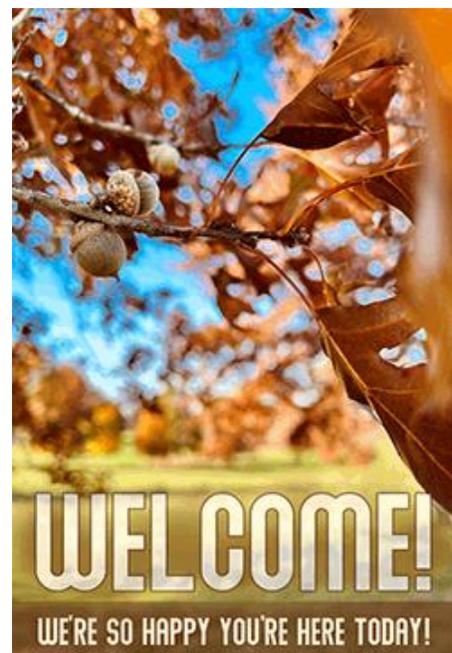
\$12 adults,

\$8 children - 12 & under,

Free for children 5 & under

Serving brats, hotdogs, chips, German & regular potato salad, Slovenian & regular sauerkraut, Desserts, Beverages

We hope to see you there!





61st Holiday Fair
United Church of Christ
515 W 2nd Street, Neillsville
Saturday, November 8, 2025
9 AM – 1 PM

Gift Boutique, Greeting Cards, Kitchen
Cupboard, &
New to You Treasures

Lunch from 11 AM – 1 PM
Chicken Salad on a Croissant
Baked Potato Soup & Dessert
Adults - \$8; Kids Under 10 - \$5

