

***Doxology**

Communion

Invitation

Hymn *Lo, I Am with You* Chalice Hymnal #430, 1-4

Words of Institution, Prayer, and Lord’s Prayer

All: 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.

Participation in Communion

Disciples Christian Church practices open communion, meaning all are welcome at the table. You may choose communion by intinction (breaking a piece of bread from the loaf and dipping it in the chalice) or by individual bread and cup. Please come forward to partake, choosing the option most meaningful to you.

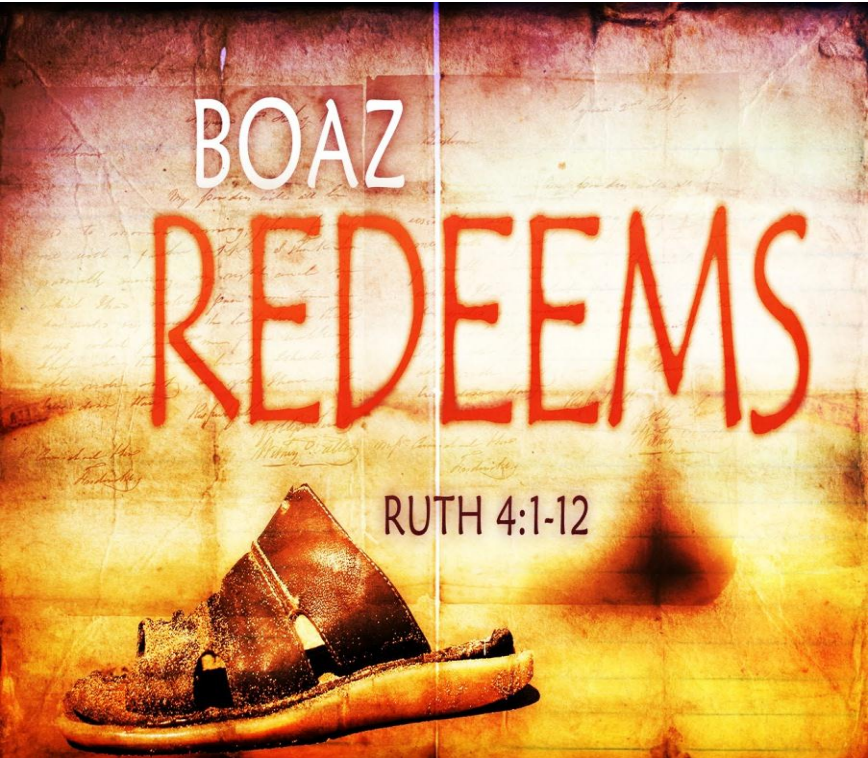
***Benediction**

***Closing Response** *Shalom to You Now* Chalice Hymnal #436, twice

Postlude *Holy, Holy, Holy*
By Gary Oliver

A Note to Parents:

PRAY-ground: In the northeast corner of the sanctuary, we have an area rug and some quiet toys for young children. The PRAY-ground is designed for families who may not be ready to use the nursery or who prefer to keep their children in the sanctuary with them. Please use this area as you desire.





Disciples Christian Church

Core Values

- Hospitality
- Spiritual Growth
- Justice through Service

New Beginnings: The Story of Ruth and Naomi, Week 4 **September 10, 2017**

**Please rise as you are able*

Chimes

Welcome *Praise You* Brenda Lewis
By Wayne and Elizabeth Goodine

Prelude

***Call to Worship**
One: Let us celebrate God!
Many: The One who spoke in the beginning
and created something out of nothing.

One: Let us celebrate God!
Many: The One who seeks justice, inspires peace,
and extends compassion to everyone.

One: Let us celebrate God!
Many: The One whose Spirit rests on us,
calling us from sorrow-filled endings to bright new beginnings.

***Opening Hymn** *This is a Day of New Beginnings* Chalice Hymnal #518 v 1,3,4

***Welcoming the Spirit**
You are welcome here, Sacred Spirit.
Fill our hearts with hope and possibility.
Gather us in, teach us of your love. Amen.

Children's Moment

Prayer
Preparation *Be Still and Know* Chalice Praise#89, twice

Prayers of the People: Sharing Good News & Concerns
(After each thanksgiving or petition, the minister says:
"For _____, O Lord," and the congregation responds, "Hear our prayer.")

Prayer
Following the prayer, anyone wishing to do so is invited to
come forward and light a candle for a personal joy or concern.

Special Music *Amazing Grace Shall Always Be My Song of Praise* Spirit Singers

Scripture Ruth 4

Sermon *Happily Ever After*

Invitation

Song *I Will Follow* on screens
By Chris Tomlin

Offering
Call to Give
The story of Ruth and Naomi shows us that our choices matter. It shows us that choosing to extend compassion changes hearts, minds, and lives. Extending compassion gives vulnerable people hope in a future that can be different from today. Giving to the church is one way we can extend compassion and give hope to our neighbors. As we reflect on what we are called to give, may we have in our minds the ones who need the gift of hope this day.

Offertory *The Open Table*
By Mark Miller

Offertory Prayer
Holy One,
Use our giving to remind us of your hope.
Use this offering to remind the world of your hope.
Amen.