



March 11, 2018



It is easy to feel overwhelmed when we look at all the areas of need in God's world: there is hunger, sickness, and injustice in so many communities. It is easy to feel there is nothing we can do to help. We can feel trapped by hopelessness and fear that what little we can do — won't have an impact.

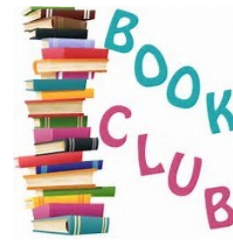
But there is hope!
Better yet: we are that hope!

As the Apostle Paul writes, "by the power at work within us," God is able to "accomplish abundantly more than we can ask or imagine" (Ephesians 3:20). "We are the agents of transformation that God uses to transfigure this world" (Archbishop Desmond Tutu). Wishing and dreaming of a better world means nothing if we don't realize that God gives us community to practice love and compassion. We cannot only care for ourselves, but we must also care about those around us, both near and far. Our gifts become part of a loving legacy in ways we can't foresee. Our gifts become blessings to people we don't know and blesses in ways we can't expect. We can make a difference beyond what we can imagine.

As we share our gifts today, to support the work of One Great Hour of Sharing, we celebrate God's love and abundance in the world. In our generosity, we recognize that we are all part of God's family. In our giving, we dare to imagine that God will use our gifts in the world to do great things; more than we can imagine! Let us give generously!



REMINDER—This Thursday—March 15th



Author F. Russell Mitman will talk about his book, "Preaching Adverbially"!

Trinity UCC, 60 N. Hanover St. Pottstown
9:30 am



PROGRESSIVE CHRISTIAN WORSHIP MUSIC WORKSHOP

- Featuring Rev. Bryan Sirchio

Saturday, May 5, 2018

9 am—3 pm

\$35.00

(lunch included)

@ New Goshenhoppen UCC

1070 Church Rd.

East Greenville, PA



\$30 each

**for multiple individuals
from the same church!**

UCC minister, singer/songwriter, author, and Convergence Music Project CEO Bryan Sirchio will lead a fun, heart-warming and mind-expanding day. Drawing from his critically acclaimed book, The 6 Marks of Progressive Christian Worship Music, we'll sing, talk, and reflect on why worship music is so important and why the language, theology, and message of the songs we sing in worship have unique power to form us spiritually and inspire us to work toward the realization of God's Dream of justice and Shalom for the world. We'll also learn about a new source of progressive worship music called The Convergence Music Project. Learn more about Bryan and his music at www.sirchio.com.

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