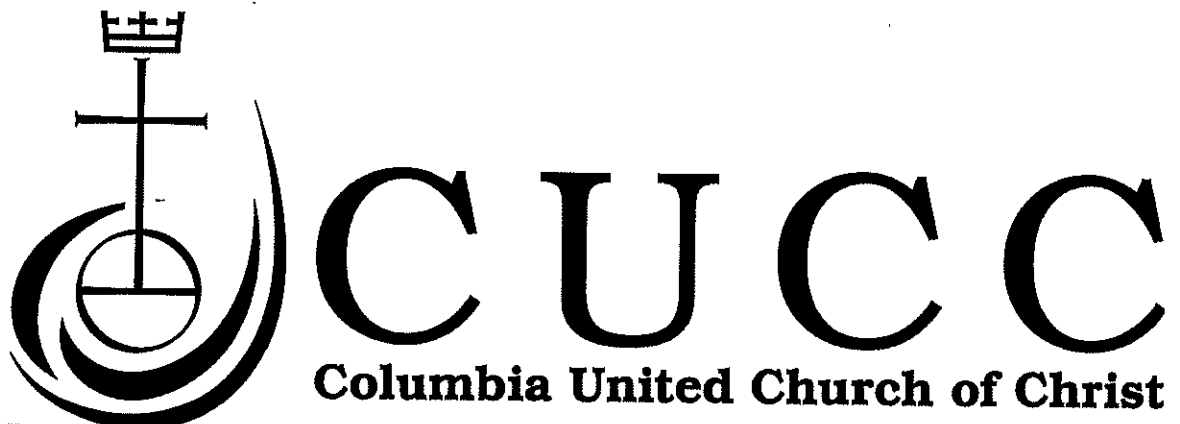


Columbia United Church Of Christ

February 13, 2022
Black History Month



CUCC Open and Affirming/Inclusion Covenant:

Columbia United Church of Christ celebrates God's boundless and unconditional love by intentionally welcoming and affirming all God's children.

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey;
No matter where you are on your faith journey;
No matter your sexual orientation, gender expression or identity;
No matter your race, culture, ethnicity, nationality or politics;
No matter your age, ability, health, relationship status or family structure;
No matter your social, economic, educational, legal or life circumstances;
You are welcome here!

Called by Jesus to be an Open and Affirming, inclusive faith community, Columbia United Church of Christ commits to welcoming everyone into the full life of our congregation. Our paths and voices may differ, but we journey in faith together.

Columbia
United Church
Of Christ



February 13, 2022

10:30 Worship

"Blessings"

**indicates that all are invited to stand, if comfortably able*

*"Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked,
Or sit in the seat of the scoffers;
But their delight is in the law of the LORD,
And on God's law they meditate day and night."
-Psalm 1:1*

Welcome and Greetings

Kristy Odneal

Prelude

"I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"

Amy Crousore
Spiritual

Carrying in the Light of Christ

Abby Dennis

*Call to Worship

(based on Psalm 1)

Llona Weiss

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked,
Or take the path that sinners tread; or sit together with scoffers.

**It is much better to take delight in God's law and God's Word;
Living the laws of the LORD and taking them into our hearts.**

We are like trees, planted by streams of water;
Yielding fruit in good season, prospering and not withering.

**We draw our nurture from God's Holy Wisdom;
We draw our strength from God's blessed intervention.**

The Wisdom of the ages has been handed down to us;
To bring us closer to God, not separate us from each other.

**The wicked use God's Word to hurt God's children;
That way of wickedness will perish; righteousness will prevail.
Come, let us worship God!**

*Gathering Hymn

"Lord, I Want to be a Christian"

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*Opening Prayer

Llona Weiss

**God of Nourishment and Grace; sometimes in life we feel parched;
dried out, spent, exhausted. We search for nourishment and fail to
find it in the excesses of our culture. We forget, gracious God, that
those who trust in you are like trees planted by water, nourished by
your presence and provision. Remind us to trust in you, to follow
you and to remember that we are blessed by you; as we drink from
your cooling streams. In Jesus' name we pray; Amen.**

*Assurance of Blessing

Rev. Constance Tanis

God offers us nourishment and provision; but often the distractions of the world blind us to the goodness God offers. But God is always there for us, ready to forgive us and offer us blessings. Through our repentance and God's grace we are forgiven, beloved and blessed. Praise be to God!

*Response

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

*Turn your eyes upon Jesus;
Look full in his wonderful face;
And the things of Earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of his glory and grace!*

*Sharing God's Gift of Peace

Rev. Tanis

May God's Peace be with you!

And also with you!

Children's Time

Black History Month Presentation

Tricia Price

Response

"This Little Light of Mine"

*This little light of mine; I'm gonna let it shine!
This little light of mine; I'm gonna let it shine!
This little light of mine; I'm gonna let it shine!
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!*

(Sung as children return to their seats)

Old Testament Lesson:

Jeremiah 17:5-10

Llona Weiss

The Prophet, living in a time of national turmoil, discusses the futility of putting faith in the things of the world. When we place our trust, hopes and dreams in worldly things, we wither. When we place our trust, hopes and dreams in God, we grow in wonderful ways. This was a political critique of his culture and the ruling class of his day.

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Gospel Lesson:

Luke 6:17-26

Llona Weiss

Luke's version of the Beatitudes differs a bit from the one to which we are most accustomed in Matthew. Here Jesus articulates a theme where polar opposites meet; rich and poor, hungry and full, laughing and weeping. Blessed are those who endure and find hope in their faith, for God's promises and provision are with them.

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Anthem:

"I've Been Buked"

Celebration Singers
Hall Johnson

Sermon:

"Blessings and Curses"

Rev. Tanis

*Hymn

"Jesus Calls Us"

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Community Prayer & Silent Prayer

Rev. Tanis

The LORD'S Prayer

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.

Prayer Response

"Grant Us Peace"

Hear our Prayer, O Lord!

Hear our prayer, O Lord!

Hear our Prayer, O Lord!

And Grant us Thy Peace! A-men!

Mission Moments

"Alpha Hart Lewis Elementary"

Llona Weiss

"Superbowl of Caring"

Linda Neale

Sharing our Announcements of Community Life

Kristy Odneal

Invitation to the Offering

Rev. Tanis

To give online text "GIVE" to 573.240.4041 and follow the prompts

You can also give online by visiting our website:

www.columbiaucc.com

Offertory

"Sonata"

Amy Crousore

Haydn

*Prayer of Dedication

Llona Weiss

God of Love; you bless us with abundance; with these gifts, we in turn bless your world. Take these gifts and use them to share our plenty with those in need, to share your Good News with parched souls who need nourishment and to water the world with your goodness. We give these as an expression of our thanksgiving. Amen.

*Benediction

Rev. Tanis

*Response:

"We Shall Overcome" (Verses 1,2,4,6)

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We shall overcome, we shall overcome,

we shall overcome someday!

Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,

We shall overcome some day!

We'll go hand in hand, we'll go hand in hand

We'll go hand in hand some day!

Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,

We'll go hand in hand some day!

God will see us through, God will see us through,
God will see us through someday!
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,
God will see us through some day!

We shall live in peace, we shall live in peace,
We shall live in peace someday!
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,
We shall live in peace some day!

*Postlude

“Joyful Recessional”

Amy Crousore
Bonighton

BLACK HISTORY MONTH QUOTES

Curated by Alisa Lau-Sieckman

***“My humanity is bound up in yours,
for we can only be human together.”***

-Desmond Tutu, anti-apartheid activist, winner of the Nobel Peace Prize

***“Success is to be measured not so much
by the position that one has reached in life,
as by the obstacles which he has overcome while trying to succeed.”***
*-Booker T. Washington, educator, author and the first Black American
invited to the White House (by Theodore Roosevelt)*

***“As an outsider myself, I always mixed myself with different groups.
I’ve never been afraid to go into different space
and relate to those people, because I don’t have a place where I belong
and that means, I belong everywhere.”***

-Trevor Noah, Television host, comedian and author

“Never be limited by other people’s limited imaginations.”
*-Dr. Mae Jemison, American engineer, physician and former NASA
astronaut; the first black woman to travel to space*

***“In recognizing the humanity of our fellow beings,
we pay ourselves the highest tribute.”***

*-Hon. Thurgood Marshall,
associate Justice of the Supreme Court 1967-1991*

***“History has shown us that courage can be contagious,
and hope can take on a life of its own.”***
-Michelle Obama, US Attorney and former first lady of the US

“Children learn more from what you are than what you teach.”
-WEB DuBois, co-founder of the NAACP in 1909

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TODAY IN WORSHIP:

Worship Leader: Llona Weiss
Acolyte: Abby Dennis
Ushers:
Greeters: Carol Duermeyer
Technology Booth: Mike Pierson & Phillip Dennis
Hospitality: Sue Ann Schaefer
Council Steward: Sue Ann Schaefer

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NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP:

Worship Leader: Audrey Lasley
Acolyte: Aidan Pierson
Ushers: Llona Weiss
Greeters: Anne Heine
Technology Booth: Carissa Graves & John Graves
Hospitality: Brent Marcks
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NURSERY CARE... is available for children in kindergarten and younger in room #201 in the educational wing. If you need help finding it, ask an usher!

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE 4/1

2022 CUCC Scholarship applications are available in the Church Office; they are due 4/1. Check the application for eligibility details or ask a Council Member.

FASTNACHT RETURNS IN 2022– March 1!

Fastnacht is BACK! Fastnacht is the German version of “Fat Tuesday,” a time to celebrate and eat good foods before Lent begins and before Christians traditionally observe some sort of “fasting.” We will be serving traditional German Food, including “Fastnachts” (German donuts) from 5:30 — 7:30 that evening in the Fellowship Hall. We encourage you to arrive by 5:30, as we will also have music and other fun activities! We are asking everyone to RSVP so we know how much food to prepare. To do so, scan the QR code below. Please RSVP by Sunday, Feb 27! We will also need help on March 1 preparing the food, serving it, and cleaning up after. If you would like to volunteer to help, contact **Stefanie Zimny, Audrey Lasley, Melba Shaffer, or Lena Muench!**



VOLUNTEER OPPORUNITIES WITH ROOM AT THE INN

RATI provides a warm and safe place for our homeless to sleep during the winter months. Volunteers (must be 18 years or older) can assist in a number of different ways depending on availability, and there are paid staff working onsite with you. Each night is broken into several shifts with specific duties. If you are interested in learning more, talk to Mahree Skala, Llona Weiss, Judi Privitt or Mark Duncan.

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

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| Sun | 2/13 | <i>Souperbowl– Food Pantry Collection</i> | |
| | | Sunday School | 9:00am |
| | | Fellowship Time | 10:00am |
| | | Worship (in person and livestream) | 10:30am |
| Mon | 2/14 | <i>Pastor Rick Back from Vacation</i> | |
| | | Staff Meeting | 10:30am |
| Tue | 2/15 | Quilters | 10:00am |
| | | Church Council Meeting | 6:30pm |
| Wed | 2/16 | Confirmation | 6:00pm |
| | | Chapel Ringers | 6:00pm |
| | | Celebration Singers | 7:00pm |
| Thu | 2/17 | Inclusion & Affirmation Ministry Team | 6:30pm |
| Fri | 2/18 | Pastor Rick’s Day off | |
| Sun | 2/20 | Sunday School | 9:00am |
| | | Fellowship Time | 10:00am |
| | | Worship (in person and livestream) | 10:30am |

Columbia UCC Prayer List

Please keep in your prayers this week...

Harold Hackman... recovering from knee surgery

Jeff Kies... hospitalized with health issues

Barry Kirchhoff... regaining strength at home

Heather Myers... recovering from a fall

Sharon Tiemann... on hospice (April Rothwieler's Aunt)

Linda Lau... living with cancer (Alisa Lau-Sieckman's sister)

Sheila... challenges in life and faith

The Koerkenmeier, Malicoat,

Williams, Piersee & Marsh Families

Health Issues:

Deborah Heather (Edie Diehl's niece); Christine Mseke;
Irene Hurst... living with cancer (Sue & Cliff Beckman's friend)

Living in Care Facilities:

Bea Gordon, Neal Sprick, Gary Ehrhardt,
Mark Brumbach, Vernie Blank, Helen Graves

Serving us in the military:

Alexander & Christopher Tennill, Jeffrey Sanderson, Dane Wilson

James Walker (Don Helmreich's nephew)

Tim Isom, Tyler Gibson (Oberles' friends);

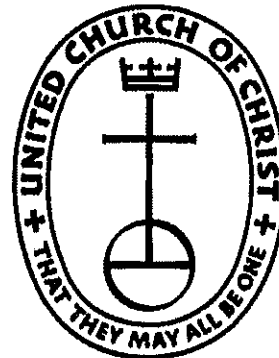
Daisia Baker (Isaiah's cousin)

UCC/DOC Global Ministries Missionary of the Week:

RJ Howard... serving in Fiji

2022 Confirmation Class:

Danielle Dreier, Aidan Pierson, Trevor Pierson; Lawson Flood-Loerber



*If you try to fit God into your life,
You will never have time for God.
If you try to fit your life into God,
You will always have time for what matters.*

Lord, I Want To Be a Christian

Deut. 6:5-6; 10:12-16

African-American spiritual

1 Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart, in my heart;
 2 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart, in my heart;
 3 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart, in my heart;
 4 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart.

Refrain

In my heart, in my heart, in my heart,
 In my heart, in my heart, in my heart,

Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart.

Many of the enslaved of antebellum America did not want to become Christians because they did not want to adopt the religion of their captors. But this spiritual attests that the Christian faith was an internal strength and aim for many.

Tune: I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN
 8.6.8.3. with refrain
African-American spiritual
 Arr. Joyce Finch Johnson, 1992

Last time only

me," say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me."
 sake, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake.
 more," say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."
 these, Chris-tian, love me more than these."
 all, serve and love you best of all.

Last time only

Jesus Calls Us, o'er the Tumult

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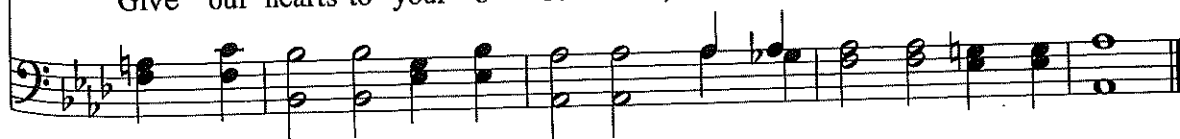
Cecil F. Alexander, 1852; alt.

Matt. 4:18-22; Mark 1:16-20; John 21:15

1 Je-sus calls us, o'er the tu - mult of our life's wild, rest-less sea;
 2 As of old, Saint An-drew heard it by the Gal - i - le - an lake,
 3 Je-sus calls us from the wor-ship of the trea - sures we a - dore,
 4 In our joys and in our sor-rows, days of toil and hours of ease,
 5 Je-sus calls us! By your mer-cies, Sav-ior, may we hear your call,



Day by day that voice still calls us, say - ing, "Chris-tian, fol - low me."
 Turned from home and toil and kin-dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake.
 From each i - dol that would keep us, say - ing, "Chris-tian, love me more."
 Je - sus calls, in cares and plea-sures, "Chris-tian, love me more than these."
 Give our hearts to your o - be-dience, serve and love you best of all.



Cecil Alexander, who in Ireland wrote sacred verse to teach children the meaning of the catechism and liturgy, designated this poem for St. Andrew's Day. Many years later Galilee was composed for this text by an English organist, William Jude.

Tune: GALILEE 8.7.8.7.
 William H. Jude, 1887
 Alternate setting: ST. ANDREW