

Columbia United Church Of Christ

August 11, 2019
Walking in Faith



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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.

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9:30 Worship**

“Building on Faith”

**Summer Schedule: 10:30 Worship resumes 9/8

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

“...God calls to the earth... ‘gather to me, my faithful ones; who made a covenant with me by sacrifice; I will deliver you, and you will glorify me...’”
-Psalm 50:4-5,15

*“Faith is taking the first step
even when you don't see the whole staircase.”
– Martin Luther King, Jr.*

Welcome and Greetings

John Graves

Prelude

Amy Crousore

“Claire de Lune”

Carrying in the Light of Christ

Abby Dennis

*Call to Worship (based on Psalm 50)

Mahree Skala

The splendor of divine glory shines upon Jerusalem,
and fire and wind alert the people to God’s presence.

**All heaven and earth wait for the word of judgment,
and God, mighty Lord of the universe, speaks:**

“I, the Lord your God, condemn your worship with its needless sacrifices. What I require is the offering of lives shaped by justice and righteousness.”

**Those who seek to honor and glorify God
by living righteous lives will worship with true thanksgiving
and will know the salvation of God.**

Come, let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn

“Sing Praise to God”

#22

*Opening Prayer

(by Lavon Bayler in *Gathered by Love*)

Mahree Skala

God of all worlds, whose presence in our world we celebrate in Jesus Christ, lead us to deeper faith, fuller trust, and greater responsiveness. May we hear your knock, answer your call, and serve where we are sent. We are ready to share in your promises, claim the homeland you offer, and extend to all we meet the invitation to believe and work for you. May all people discern the treasure you offer. Amen.

*Assurance of Blessing

Rev. Bob Atkinson

The psalmist calls us to a life of true worship shaped by justice and righteousness. Placing our faith in God; trusting in God's Spirit of love, grace and mercy; we can not only be prepared, but we can move into God's new creation. Let all God's people say, "**Amen!**"

*Prayer Response

"More Love to You, O Christ"

#456

**More love to you, O Christ, more love to you!
Hear now the prayer I make faith to renew.
In all I say and do, more love, O Christ, to you,
More love to you, more love to you!**

*Sharing God's Gift of Peace

*At this time, you are invited to greet one another
with a hug or a handshake and the words,
"May God's Peace be with you!"*

Children's Time

Rev. Atkinson

"This Little Light of Mine"

#524

(Sung as children return to their seats)

Mission Moment

"VAC School Supply Drive"

Llona Weiss

Anthem

Piper Page & Hope Keithahn

"Hills and Valleys"

Epistle Lesson:

Hebrews 1-3, 8-16

Mahree Skala

The writer of Hebrews encourages the community to remember their heritage and to look forward into God's new future. Page

Gospel Lesson:

Luke 12:32-40

Mahree Skala

Jesus reassures the disciples of the gift, the realm of God, and unfailing treasure. They must be ready and prepared for action. Page

Sermon

"Trusting in God's Future"

Rev. Bob Atkinson

*Meditation Hymn

"Be Now My Vision"

#451

Ushers will collect prayer cards during the hymn

Community Prayer & Silent Prayer

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!

Sharing our Announcements of Community Life

John Graves

Presenting our Gifts

Hope Keithahn

“Bach Cello Suite No. 1: Minuet 1 & 11”

*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*

*Response “Thanks Be to God” #425

For the Fruits of all Creation, thanks be to God!
For God’s gifts to every nation, thanks be to God!
For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
Most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God!

*Prayer of Dedication

Audrey Lasley

Thank you, God, for welcoming us into your caring realm, where we claim the needs of others as our concern. We are finding a homeland in your service and we are grateful. Above all, may our offerings be an outpouring of thanksgiving for a God who does not forget us. Your promises are sure and your faithfulness is to all generations. Amen.

*Closing Hymn “We Would be Building” #607

*Benediction

Rev. Bob Atkinson

*Response: “Let There be Peace on Earth”

Let there be Peace on Earth and Let it Begin with me!
Let there be Peace on Earth; the Peace that was meant to be!
With God our Creator, Children all are we!
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony!
Let Peace begin with me; let this be the moment now!
With every step I take let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally!
Let there be Peace on Earth; and let it begin with me!

*Postlude

Piper Page & Hope Keithahn

“Make You Feel My Love”

*CUCC celebrates God's boundless love by:
Welcoming all God's People;
Nurturing Faith and Spiritual Growth;
Challenging and inspiring everyone with vibrant worship;
Building a supportive church family;
Transforming both the congregation and community
through service and outreach*



*Summer Worship Schedule:
Worship starts at 9:30 June 9– September 1
10:30 Worship resumes September 8*

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TODAY IN WORSHIP:

Greeters: Anne Heine & Keith Birkes
Ushers: Mark & Jane Duncan
Sound Booth: Phil Dennis
Worship Leader: Mahree Skala
Hospitality: **HOSPITALITY HOST NEEDED**
Acolyte: Abby Dennis

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP:

Greeters: John & Brenda Muench
Ushers: Llona Weiss
Sound Booth: Peter Jaberg
Worship Leader: Ember Piersee & Ryan Schoeneberg
Hospitality: **HOSPITALITY HOST NEEDED**
Acolyte: Riley Hayward



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WELCOME GUESTS! If you are a guest visiting with us this morning, please fill out a green card found in your chair pocket; and be sure to introduce yourself to Pastor Rick! We would love to get to know you better!

NAMETAGS We strive to be a friendly and welcoming church! Members and frequent guests, please wear your nametag each Sunday so we can greet each other most effectively and become an even friendlier church!

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FLOOD RELIEF COLLECTION FOR EBENEZER, LEVASY

In early June, Ebenezer UCC in Levasy, MO was damaged by floodwaters. Over a foot of water settled in the Sanctuary and Parsonage. The waters have receded, but the clean-up work continues. They did not have flood insurance. To address their needs, Columbia UCC took up a special collection last month, with all contributions being donated directly to Ebenezer UCC. You can still donate online using the QR code to the left or by visiting www.columbiaucc.com and clicking on the "Donate to CUCC" tab.

CUCC BOOTH AT PRIDEFEST

Columbia United Church of Christ will be hosting a booth at the Columbia Pridefest on August 24, bringing our message of inclusion and affirmation to the LGBTQ+ community. If you would like to help out, contact Inclusion Team chair Alisa Lau-Sieckman at alisa65010@msn.com.

CUCC LUNCH BUNCH RESUMES 8/22

CUCC Lunch Bunch resumes 8/22 with Rev. Sally Robinson speaking to us about the activities of the Columbia Older Adult Ministry. This vital ministry provides resources and chaplaincy services at several area care facilities. CUCC has been a vital part of this ministry since 2002. Bring a dish to share at noon, and Sally will begin sharing her testimony at 12:30. All ages are welcome to come!

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sun	8/11	Fellowship Time	9:00am
		Worship	9:30am
Tue	8/13	Quilters	9:00am
Wed	8/14	Membership & Care Ministry Team	6:30pm
Thu	8/15	LODO Teachers Return	
		Inclusion Team Meeting	6:30pm
Sun	8/18	Fellowship Time	9:00am
		Worship	9:30am
		Fellowship & Hospitality Ministry Team mtg.	11:00am
Mon	8/19	Loaves & Fishes	4:30pm
Tue	8/20	Quilters	9:00am
		Church Council Meeting	6:30pm

Columbia UCC Prayer List

Please keep in your prayers this week...

Erika Maltsbarger, Sue Beckman, Diane Privitt... recovering from surgery
Emily & Patrick Hanks ... Welcoming their new baby
The Dohm/Privitt families celebrating Christ's promises while grieving
Ebenezer UCC, Levasy ... flood damages
Maria, on the death of her godson (Aimee Anderson's friend)
The Duermeyer/Schultz families on the loss of their Aunt, Ruth Niehaus
Larry Stack... health issues (Harry Beslame's friend)
Continued recovery from knee replacement (7/28)
Stepmother diagnosed with breast cancer (7/28)
Rachel & Justin, trying to start a family (7/28)
Unity in our nation & recognition of each other's humanity (7/21)
For all the immigrants living in fear today (7/21)
A friend with pervasive cancer throughout her body (7/21)
Our church... as we discern next steps as an ONA congregation
Dale Gregory; Christine Mseke, Bea Gordon;
Gary Ehrhardt; Lasley Family; Remeika/Johnson family
Amy Koerkenmeyer & the Malicoat Family;

Health Issues:

Deborah Heather (Edie Diehl's niece); Kathy Kindrick; Christie O'Very;
Nathan Schnell (Isaiah's friend); Jody Sawyers (Megan Hall's mother);
Sharon Elliott, Rev. Jim Elliott, Barb & Becky (Anne Heine's sisters);
Finn Price (Tricia's nephew); Harold Hackman; Thomas Zumwalt

Pregnancies in our church family:

Erin (Grace) & Levi Markway; Nancy Liang & Corey Grace
Ashley (Skala) & Stephen Scott

Serving us in the military:

Alexander & Christopher Tennill, Jeffrey Sanderson
James Walker (Don Helmreich's nephew)
Tim Isom, Tyler Gibson (Oberles' friends); Daisia Baker (Isaiah's cousin);
Thomas Zumwalt (Shirley Lawler's grandson)

UCC/DOC Global Ministries Missionary of the Week:

Jefferey Mensendiek, serving in Japan

2019 Confirmation Class:

Noah Bredehoeft; Ember Piersee; Andie Rapp;
Ryan Schoeneberg; Sophie Schupp