

Columbia United Church Of Christ

January 19, 2020
The King Philosophy



CUCC

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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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10:30 Worship

"Peacefully Resist"

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

*"...God put a new song in my mouth;
A song of praise to our God..."
-Psalm 40:3*

Welcome and Greetings

Pastor Rick

Prelude

Amy Crousore & Harry Beckett
Karrin Ford

"Tell the Good News"

Carrying in the Light of Christ

Raelyn Zimny

*Call to Worship *(based on Psalm 40)*

Marcella Dolezal

I waited patiently for God;
God listened to me and heard my cry.

**God leads us out of the depths;
Setting our feet on lofty places, saving us from desolation.**

God put a new song in my mouth;
A song of praise, praising God forever.

**Happy are those who put their trust in God;
Who do not go astray after false gods.**

Do not withhold your mercy from me, O God;
Let your Steadfast Love and mercy keep me safe forever.

**May all who seek God rejoice and be glad in God's presence.
Let all who seek justice shout God's praises!
Come, let us worship God!**

*Opening Hymn "Great is Your Faithfulness"

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*Opening Prayer

Marcella Dolezal

**God of justice; your oppressed children cry out for your salvation,
asking to be set on equal places with all of your children. Our hearts
are touched by these cries of passion and we are moved to act justly.
Help us, gracious God, to trouble the waters of poverty, racism and
antagonism and bring reconciliation to those afflicted by these triple
evils. Teach us to address these evils courageously seeking to win
friendship and understanding; seeking to defeat injustice, not
people; gaining education through suffering; choosing love instead**

of hatred. Remind us again that the moral arc of the universe is long, and it bends towards justice; and forgive us when we forget these principles. In Jesus' name we pray; Amen.

*Assurance of Blessing

Pastor Rick

The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. had a vision of a beloved community; one that embraced the principles of nonviolence while combatting the triple evils of poverty, racism and antagonism. This is not a new call; it is the call of Jesus restated. For all the times we neglect to live into this call, we are already forgiven. God blesses and loves us, forgiving us always. Praise be to God!

*Prayer 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

*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 "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

(Sung as children return to their seats)

**I have decided to follow Jesus; (3x)
No turning back, no turning back.**

**The world behind me, the cross before me (3x)
No turning back, no turning back.**

Living our Mission

"Loaves and Fishes"

Audrey Lasley

"Chiapas Mission Immersion Experience" Pastor Rick

Anthem

Celebration Singers

"Beloved, Let Us Love One Another" *Pepper Choplin*

Old Testament Lesson:

Isaiah 49:1-7

Marcella Dolezal

The author of this section of Isaiah speaks of God's presence in the lives of the Israelites, even in the midst of persecution. Now that they are returning from persecution, he calls them to be true to their identity as children of God and become a Beloved Community. Page #592

Gospel Lesson:

Matthew 4:1-11

Choral Reading

After being baptized, Jesus is tempted by the Devil to embrace instant gratification and prioritize this over God's Wisdom. The Devil quotes scripture to present his evil agenda. But Jesus counters the Devil's proof-texting of scripture to encompass the entirety of the Scriptures and reveal the Glory of God. Page #785

Sermon "The King Philosophy" Pastor Rick
Excerpts from Dr. King's Speech "I Have a Dream" Choral Reading
*Meditation Hymn "Precious Lord" #472
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. 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 Pastor Rick

Presenting our Gifts Amy Crousore
"Basse et Dessus de Trompette" Clerambault
*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 "For the Fruit of All Creation" #425
**For the Fruit 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 Marcella Dolezal
God, you encourage us to seek the non-violent approach to advocacy, standing firm against the triple evils of poverty, racism and antagonism. We pray that our actions may always live into that call. We strive to work for justice, righteousness and Shalom in your world, bringing about your Beloved Community. Now take these gifts we offer from our hearts. We give with a vision of that Beloved Community guiding us, praying that it may be realized right here in this community by the gifts we give today. Take these gifts and multiply them; and let them be used for your Kingdom goals. Amen.

*Benediction

Pastor Rick

*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

“Finale”

Amy Crousore
GF Handel

*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*

Do You Have 2020 Vision?

What is your vision for 2020 regarding your relationship with Columbia United Church of Christ? As we enter the New Year, we often make “resolutions” to do something different or reallocate our time. What is your reallocation regarding Columbia United Church of Christ?

With the wisdom of Dr. King as our inspiration, we strive to develop relationships with the church that are intentional, rather than accidental; not to perpetuate an institution, but because of the Spiritual Development and Cultural Transformation that happens because of that relationship.

So as you prepare for 2020, strive for 2020 Vision in your church life. Make a resolution about how much time, talent and treasure you are planning to commit to this church; and stick with it all year! Make an intentional commitment to be present in worship on a regular basis, to participate in church activities, and to contribute a certain amount to the work of the church. Stick with it in 2020 and see how your life is changed for the better!

***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...***

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TODAY IN WORSHIP:

Greeters: Cliff Beckman & Sue Beckman
Ushers: Brent Marcks & Charlie Marcks
Worship Leader: Marcella Dolezal
Acolyte: Raelyn Zimny
Sound Booth: Carissa Graves
Hospitality: ***HOSPITALITY HOST NEEDED***
Council Steward: Mahree Skala



NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP:

Greeters: John & Brenda Muench
Ushers: Llona Weiss
Worship Leader: Mahree Skala
Acolyte: Raelyn Zimny
Sound Booth: Matt Lucas
Hospitality: ***HOSPITALITY HOST NEEDED***
Council Steward: Mahree Skala

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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 leave it in the offering plate when it is passed. 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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SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATIONS

If you are a graduating Senior or are attending college currently, applications are available in the church office for scholarships from the NEW SCHOLARSHIP FUND! Applications are due in the church office by April 1.

CUCC LUNCH BUNCH

Bring a dish this Thursday at noon and join in table fellowship and good eating! The Lunch Bunch will be gathering again, as it does the fourth Thursday of each month. This month, after we eat, Pastor Rick is going to be talking about Chiapas and our Mission Work there. All are welcome!

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AND CHILI COOKOFF

Our Annual Congregational Meeting and Chili Cookoff will be Sunday, January 26 right after worship! Have your chili here by 10:30 for entry into the contest. The Annual Congregational Meeting will start right after we eat, around 12:30 or so. Sign up sheet is in the Gathering area on the rotating literature rack.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sun	1/19	<i>MLK Day/ "The King Philosophy"</i> Fellowship Time/Sunday School Pastor Rick leads presentation on Chiapas Worship	9:00am 9:00am 10:30am
Mon	1/20	<i>MLK Day/LODO Closed</i> Pastor Rick leads worship at The Bluffs Pastor Rick leads worship at Mill Creek Loaves & Fishes	10:00am 11:15am 4:30pm
Tue	1/21	Quilters Staff Meeting Finance & Stewardship Ministry Team	9:00am-2:00pm 10:00am 6:00pm
Wed	1/22	Bells/Choir Confirmation	6:30pm/7:30pm 6:30pm
Thu	1/23	Lunch Bunch Pastor Rick leads presentation on Chiapas	12:00pm
Sun	1/26	<i>Congregational Meeting/Chili Cookoff</i> <i>ONA/Inclusion Covenant One Year Anniversary Observance</i> Fellowship Time/Sunday School Worship Chili Cookoff Congregational Meeting	9:00am 10:30am 12:00pm 12:30pm

Columbia UCC Prayer List

Please keep in your prayers this week...

The Family of Becky Asher... on their loss
Walter Schroeder... recovering from procedure
The hope for peace in the Middle East (1/5)
All those being persecuted for their religious beliefs (1/5)
A husband dealing with health issues (1/5)
Gladys Koepke... recovering from fall (Gene's mother)
Harold Hackman... recovering from knee surgery 12/6
Rev. Dr. David Beebe... living with cancer (Oberle's friend)
Rev. Libby Brueseke... health issues, on hospice (Oberle's friend)
Jo Ellen Grace's brother... living with cancer
The Anderson Family... on the loss of their mother, Claudia
Our church... as we live into our call as an ONA congregation

Dale Gregory; Christine Mseke, Bea Gordon;
Gary Ehrhardt; Lasley Family; Remeika/Johnson family
Sheila... challenges in life and faith
Amy Koerkenmeyer & the Malicoat Family;

Health Issues:

Deborah Heather (Edie Diehl's niece); Kathy Kindrick; Christie O'Very;
Nathan Schnell (Isaiah's friend); Sharon Elliott; Rev. Jim Elliott; Shirley Lawler;
Finn Price (Tricia's nephew); Sue Beckman; Wayne Gartner (Laura's brother)
Donald Long (Vena's husband); Pat Enos (Alisa's brother-in-law)

Pregnancies in our church family:

Makayla Smith and Joey Oberle
Coleen & Tim Williams (Bullerd's daughter)

Serving us in the military:

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

UCC/DOC Global Ministries Missionary of the Week:

Ricardo Mayoi, serving in Guatemala

2020 Confirmation Class:

Lilly Jaberg, Hazel Keithahn, Brandon Lavelly