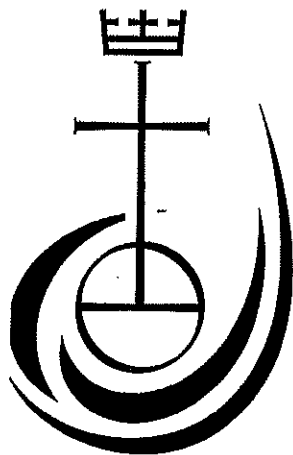


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April 18, 2021
The Road to Emmaus



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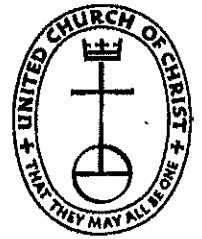
CUCC Open and Affirming/Inclusion Covenant:

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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April 18, 2021

10:30 Worship

"Sin and Law"

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

*"...when you are disturbed, do not sin;
ponder it on your beds and be silent..."*

-Psalm 4:4

Gathering Music

Amy Crousore

Welcome and Greetings

Pastor Rick

Prelude

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

Amy Crousore
Hal Hopson

Carrying in the Light of Christ

Lil Smith

*Call to Worship

(based on Psalm 4)

Seth Smith

We cry out to God for help;
In times of distress, God hears our cries.

**God gives us comfort in times of distress;
God is gracious and hears our prayers.**

How long must we suffer?
How long will we be afflicted?

**God hears the cries of God's faithful people;
God listens when we call out to God.**

When we are disturbed, God is with us.
When we ponder God's mysteries, God is close.

**Put your trust in God!
The light of God's face shines upon us!
Come, let us worship God!**

*Opening Hymn

"Come, You Faithful Raise the Strain"

#230

*Opening Prayer

Seth Smith

God of justice and righteousness; we come before you as your sinful children, knowing that we are purified by your gracious love. We strive to abide in you and in your ways, but you know that often we fail. Open our eyes, that we may see you fully revealed in our midst. Open our hearts, that we may fully believe in the resurrection. Open our lives, that we may work for righteousness in the world; all knowing that you are with us. In Jesus' name we pray; Amen.

*Assurance of Blessing

Pastor Rick

The author of today's epistle lesson is concerned with sin and law; and how the dynamic of human existence intersects with God's relationship with us. Through that relationship, all are forgiven, affirmed and justified with one another. Through God's grace, we are forgiven of all our sins! We are God's beloved children; 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

Pastor Rick

Pastor Rick will offer the words, "May God's Peace be with You" and you are invited to respond with the words, "And also with you."

May God's Peace be with you!

And also with you!

Children's Time

Pastor Rick

Response

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

*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.*

Mission Moment

"Heifer Project"

Mahree Skala

The CUCC Outreach and Advocacy Ministry Team has selected "Heifer Project" as our mission focus through Mother's Day.

Our Goal between now and May 9 is to raise \$5000 to provide an "ark" full of animals for those in need. A Gift Ark includes two water buffalo, two cows, two sheep and two goats, along with bees, chicks, rabbits and more. A Gift Ark changes lives two by two as it provides not only sustenance but also subsistence, giving recipients a revenue stream (wool, eggs, agricultural ability, etc.) to improve their lives.

You can contribute using the envelopes in today's bulletin, scanning the QR code on the next page and selecting "Heifer Project" from the dropdown menu, or by texting "GIVE" to 573.240.4041.

Anthem

"Hymn of Promise"

Ensemble
Sleeth

New Testament Lesson 1 John 3:1-5 Seth Smith
This epistle speaks to the early Christian Churches. In it the author attempts to outline to these churches how faith should be lived in a person's life. He talks about Sin and the Relationship between Sin and the Law. Remember "The Law" is about Relationship. (pg. 990)

Gospel Lesson Luke 24:13-35 Seth Smith
On the Road to Emmaus, a transfigured Jesus joined two of his friends, walking from Jerusalem to their home in Emmaus (about seven miles). They talk about the events in Jerusalem these past few days, the Crucifixion and the reported Resurrection of Jesus. Jesus opens the Scripture to them as they walk. When they extend hospitality to him, the stranger reveals himself as Jesus. They are astonished and amazed. (pg. 860)

*Hymn: "Great is Your Faithfulness" #423

Sermon: "The Roommate Code" Pastor Rick

*Hymn: "O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing" #42

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 Pastor Rick

Presenting our Gifts "Andante" Lucy Smith
Clemente

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

“Doxology”

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host;
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost! Amen!*

*Prayer of Dedication

Seth Smith

God, we know that even when we sin, you forgive us; and when you challenge us to work for righteousness we are eager to listen. Take these gifts, Gracious God, and use them to further your work in the world; that we may live into our call as your children. Amen.

*Benediction

Pastor Rick

*Response:

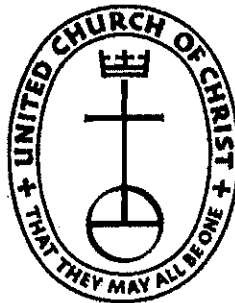
“Let There be Peace on Earth”

**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

“Go Ye!”

Amy Crousore
Ben Logan



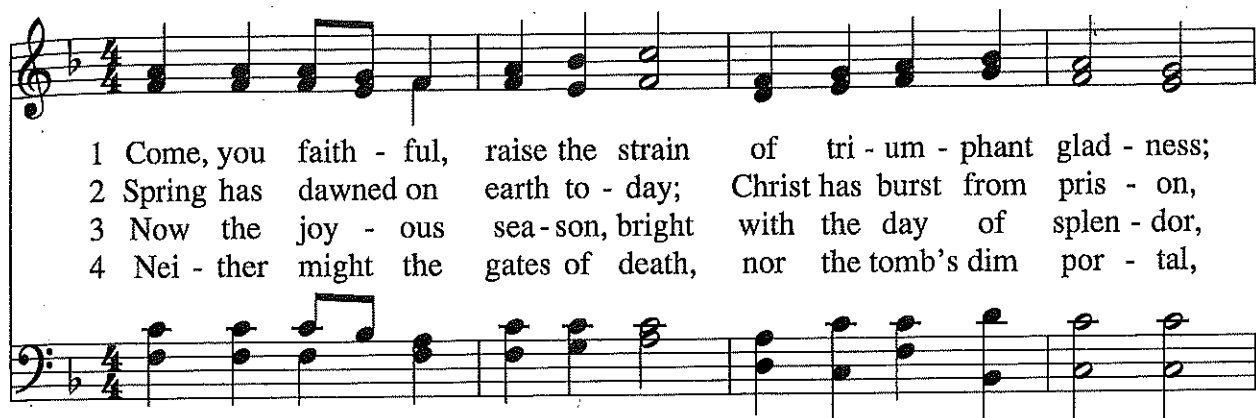
*CUCC celebrates God's boundless love by:
Welcoming all God's People;
Nurturing Faith and Spiritual Growth;
Challenging and inspiring everyone with vibrant worship;
Building a supportive church family;
Transforming both the congregation and community
through service and outreach*

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

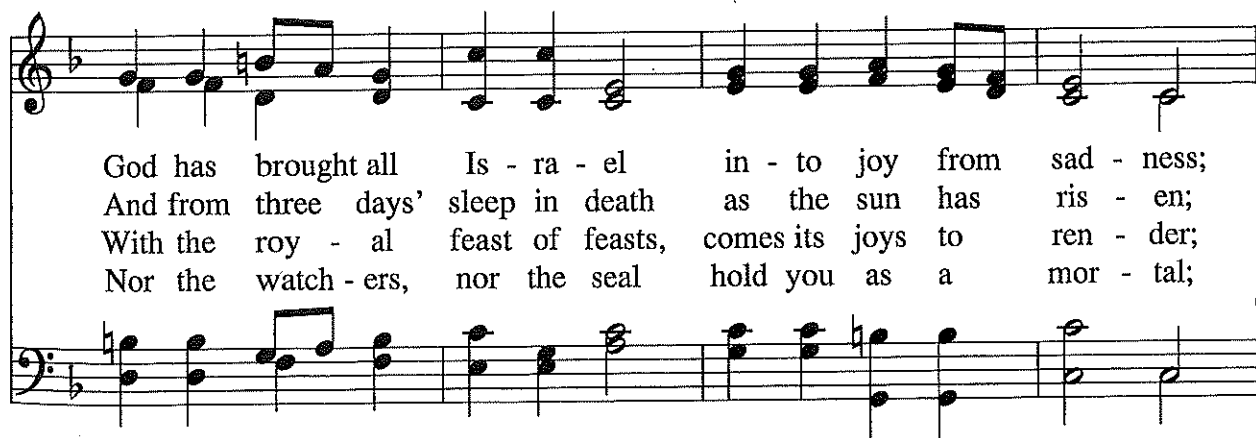
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Attrib. to John of Damascus (c. 696–c. 754 c.E.)
Transl. John Mason Neale, 1872; alt.

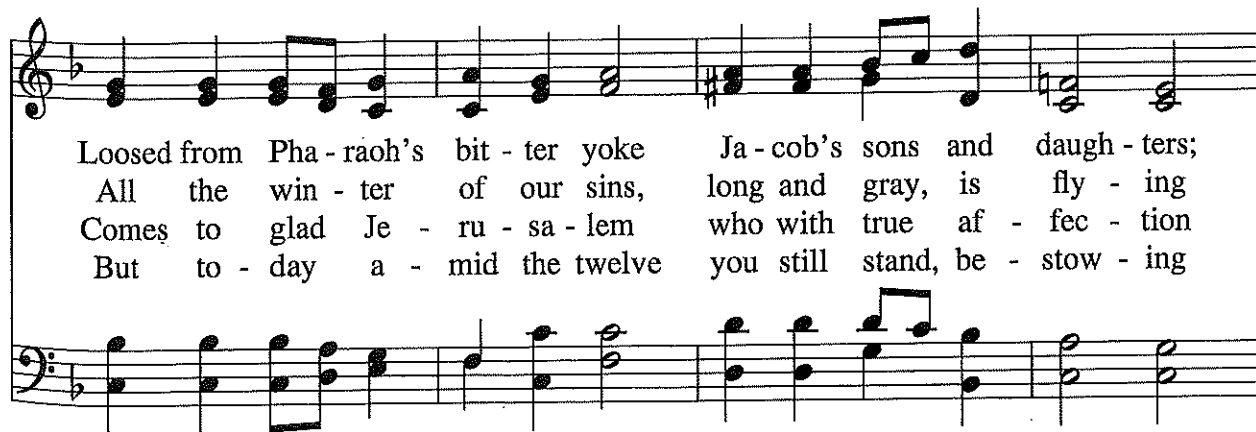
Exod. 15; Luke 24



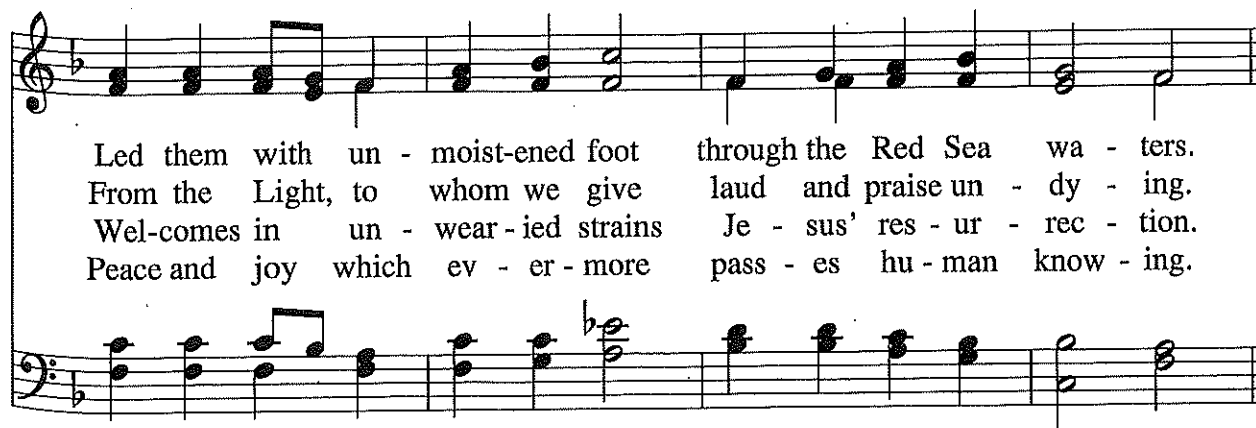
1 Come, you faith - ful, raise the strain of tri - um - phant glad - ness;
2 Spring has dawned on earth to - day; Christ has burst from pris - on,
3 Now the joy - ous sea - son, bright with the day of splen - dor,
4 Nei - ther might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dim por - tal,



God has brought all Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness;
And from three days' sleep in death as the sun has ris - en;
With the roy - al feast of feasts, comes its joys to ren - der;
Nor the watch - ers, nor the seal hold you as a mor - tal;



Loosed from Pha - raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters;
All the win - ter of our sins, long and gray, is fly - ing
Comes to glad Je - ru - sa - lem who with true af - fec - tion
But to - day a - mid the twelve you still stand, be - stow - ing



Led them with un - moist-ened foot through the Red Sea wa - ters.
From the Light, to whom we give laud and praise un - dy - ing.
Wel-comes in un - wear - ied strains Je - sus' res - ur - rec - tion.
Peace and joy which ev - er - more pass - es hu - man know - ing.

Little is known of St. John of Damascus, an early Greek theologian, but his writings have survived. Among these are poems that have been made into hymns and some that have been integrated into Greek Orthodox liturgy.

Tune: ST. KEVIN 7.6.7.6.D.
Arthur S. Sullivan, 1872

*Lam. 3:22-23**Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923; alt.*

1 Great is your faith - ful - ness, O God, Cre - a - tor,*
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace so en - dur - ing,

with you no shad - ow of turn - ing we see.
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove,
 your own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide.

You do not change, your com - pas - sions they fail not;
 Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

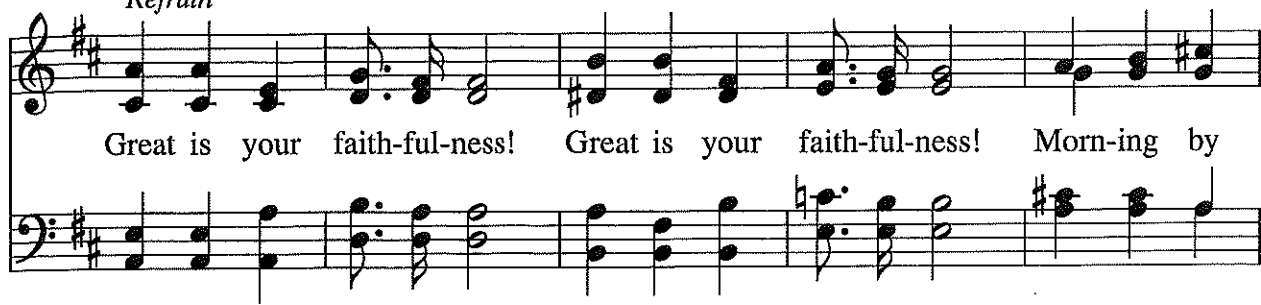
all of your good - ness for - ev - er will be.
 to your great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 bless - ings all mine with ten thou - sand be - side.

*originally "my Father"

This hymn was one of a number sent by poet Thomas O. Chisholm to composer William M. Runyan for musical settings. It became a favorite of Will Houghton, president of Moody Bible Institute, whose enthusiasm helped establish its popularity.

Tune: FAITHFULNESS 11.10.11.10. with refrain
 William M. Runyan, 1923

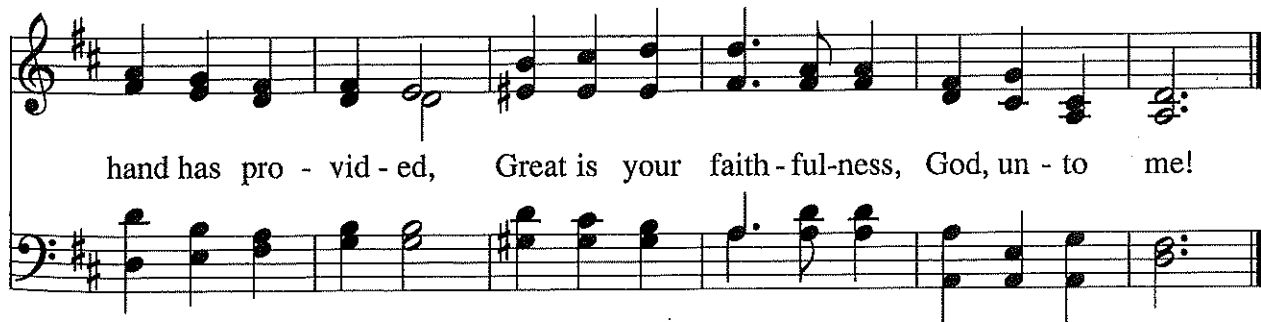
Refrain



Great is your faith-ful-ness! Great is your faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by



morn-ing new mer - cies I see; All I have need - ed your



hand has pro - vid - ed, Great is your faith - ful - ness, God, un - to me!

thank you, Je - sus, my Sav - ior God, for you brought me, yes, you
 been my sis - ter, my broth - er, too, for you brought me, yes, you

brought me from a might-y, a might-y long way, a might-y long way.
 brought me from a might-y, a might-y long way, a might-y long way.

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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Charles Wesley, 1740; alt.

1 O for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise,
 2 My gra-cious Sav - ior and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim,
 3 Je - sus! the name that calms our fears, that bids our sor - rows cease
 4 Glo - ry to God, and love and praise be ev - er, ev - er given

The glo - ries ev - er ech - o - ing the tri - umphs of God's grace!
 To spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of your name.
 Is mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, is life, and health, and peace!
 By all the saints in ev - ery age, the church in earth and heaven.

The hymn is a cento from a longer poem of eighteen stanzas written by Charles Wesley on the first anniversary of his conversion. The present form of the hymn is one edited by John Wesley for The Wesleyan Hymn Book, 1780.

Tune: AZMON C.M.

Carl G. Gläser, 1828

Adapt. in L. Mason's Modern Psalmody, 1839

Alternate tune: RICHMOND

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Worship Leader: Seth Smith
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Ushers: Mahree Skala
Greeters: Audrey Lasley
Technology Booth: Doug & Judi Privitt
Hospitality: Melba Shaffer
Council Steward: Pat Forward/Mahree Skala

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP:

Worship Leader: Confirmands
Acolyte: Confirmands
Ushers:
Greeters: Helen Schultz
Technology Booth: Mike Pierson/Pete Jaberg
Hospitality: Lena Muench
Council Stewards: Pat Forward



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CLEAN UP COLUMBIA

CUCC's "Clean Up Columbia Day" is Saturday, April 24. As in past years, we have "adopted" our own street, I-70 Drive NW, to beautify. We usually pick up more than 30 bags of trash between the Fire District office and the church. Many hands make light work, so please sign up to help. Please let us know if you're coming. Email Mahree Skala at skalamahree@yahoo.com or call 573-474-2195. The Fellowship and Hospitality Team will treat us to lunch afterwards!

LODO PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT OPEN

Enrollment for the 2021-2022 School Year is in full swing! Please share with friends and family to let them know that we have limited space available for Fall 2021! Interested families should contact Erika Maltsbarger at 573-445-2661 or LittleOnesDayOut@yahoo.com or for availability and to schedule a tour. Additional information can be found at www.columbiaucc.com/lodohome.

LUNCH BUNCH WITH HEIFERS

UCC Lunch Bunch will meet on Thursday, APRIL 22, in the Fellowship Hall at noon with a carry-in meal. This group is open to everyone regardless of age or any other determining factor. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Cleo Kottwitz and Lloyd Viehland will present a program about Heifer International, including some video slides from Lloyd's father from over 60 years ago!

All are welcome to join us. Bring a dish to share, or a sack lunch if you wish. Wear your mask! We will practice social distancing and hygienic serving procedures. Come join the Fun!

FOOD BANK UPDATE

CUCC volunteers are working at together again at the Food Bank every 4th Tuesday evening at 5:30pm. We moved to 4th Tuesdays to reduce schedule conflicts. For details on how to sign up for April 27, please contact Mahree Skala at 573-474-2195 or skalamahree@yahoo.com

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sun	4/18	<i>Third Sunday of Easter</i>	
		Sunday School for all ages	9:00am
		Worship (in person and livestream)	10:30am
Mon	4/19	Staff Meeting	10:15am
		Confirmation	6:00pm
Tue	4/20	Church Council Meeting	6:30pm
Wed	4/21	2020 Confirmation Class- Practice	6:30pm
Thu	4/22	Lunch Bunch	12:00pm
		Finance & Stewardship Ministry Team	6:30pm
Sat	4/24	Clean Up Columbia & Lunch After	9:30am
Sun	4/25	<i>Confirmation Sunday- Fourth Sunday of Easter</i>	
		Sunday School	9:00am
		Worship (in person and livestream)	10:30am

Columbia UCC Prayer List

Please keep in your prayers this week...

Sue Beckmann... recovering from knee surgery 4/5
Dennis Froeschner... recovering from knee surgery 4/9
Glenn Duermeyer... anticipating knee surgery 4/20

Caitlin (mother) and Timothy Herritt (infant)... recovering from difficult birth
(David and Ann Stone Meyer's daughter and grandson)

Beth Schoeneberg... health issues (Jason's mother)
Mary Rinne... living with cancer (Donna Marsh's daughter)
Esther Rollins... health issues (Ed's mother)
Amy... challenges in life (April Rothweiler's friend)
Juanita Zeiler... on hospice (Mari Ann Keithahn's mother)
Ardith Wilson... on hospice (Mark Wilson's mother)
Sharon Tiemann... on hospice (April Rothweiler's Aunt)

Sheila... challenges in life and faith
The Zimny, Lasley, Koerkenmeier, Malicoat,
Williams, Piersee & Marsh Families

Health Issues:

Deborah Heather (Edie Diehl's niece);
Finn Price (Tricia's nephew); Jason Wilhoit (Vena Long's friend);
Christine Mseke; Christie O'Very; Nathan Schnell;
Gary Johnson... recovering from non-Hodgkins lymphoma (Kelly Smith's father)
Irene Hurst... living with cancer (Sue & Cliff Beckman's friend)

Living in Care Facilities:

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

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); Cole Long (Vena's grandson)

UCC/DOC Global Ministries Missionary of the Week:

Carlos Sediles-Real... serving in Mexico

2020 Confirmation Class— will be confirmed next Sunday:

Lilly Jaberg, Hazel Keithahn, Brandon Lavelly

2021 Confirmation Class:

Zabibu Kibaro, Kennedy Lucas, Addison Melton,
Abby Dennis, Brandon Schoeneberg, Sadie Tummons

