

Columbia United Church Of Christ

November 3, 2019
All Saints Day



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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

"All Saints"

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

*"...for God takes pleasure in God's people;
God adorns the humble with victory..."
-Psalm 149:4*

Welcome and Greetings

Pastor Rick

Prelude

"O God, Beyond All Praising"

Mary Bracke
Cherwein

Carrying in the Light of Christ

Riley Hayward

*Call to Worship *(based on Psalm 149)*

Pat Forward

Praise the LORD!

Sing to God a New Song!

Let all God's Saints sing God's praises;

Let God's children rejoice in God's presence!

Let us praise God's name with song and dance;

Let us make joyful melodies to God!

God takes pleasure in communing with God's children;

God adorns the humble, the meek, those who serve.

Let praise for God be in our hearts and minds;

Let songs of praise echo forth from our voices!

Today we celebrate the Saints of the Church.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!

Come, let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn "For All the Saints"

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*Opening Prayer

Pat Forward

God of love, as we gather in this place we do so in the midst of all the Saints of the Church who are no longer with us; embracing their legacy and benefiting from their cloud of witness, wisdom and faith. As we remember the Saints of the Church who are no longer here, remind us that we, too are the Saints of the Church; and we are building on the legacy they have left us. Remind us to be faithful to their example and diligent in our discernment of your call to Peace, Justice and Reconciliation. In Jesus' name we pray; Amen.

*Assurance of Blessing

Pastor Rick

Our ancestors in faith had Christ as their Rock, their refuge and their might. Though we idealize their legacy, we know that those Saints often wavered in their faith; yet God forgave them, loved them and blessed them. We are inheritors of that legacy. We, the Saints of the Church, are forgiven, beloved and blessed as well. Praise be to God!

*Prayer Response

“Weave”

**Weave, weave! Weave us together!
Weave us together in Unity and Love!
Weave, weave! Weave us together!
Weave us together; together in Love!**

*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.

Anthem

Celebration Singers

“Within These Walls”

Epistle Lesson:

Ephesians 1:15-23

Pat Forward

Paul, writing to the church in Ephesus, praises them for their faith. He speaks to them of the inheritance we have received as Saints of the Church; children of God. Our faith in God connects us across the generations, and we are all inheritors of this great faith.

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Gospel Lesson:

Luke 6:20-31

Pat Forward

Jesus, in his inaugural address, shares the essence of his ministry with us in the author of the Gospel of Luke’s version of what we have come to call, “The Beatitudes.”

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Sermon

“Saints and Sinners”

Pastor Rick

*Meditation Hymn

“I Sing a Song of the Saints of God”

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Ushers will collect prayer cards during the hymn

Remembering the Saints of the Church

For all those Saints who have gone before us, we give thanks.

Candles will be lit in their memory, as each name is read.

David Schroer	Doris Shepherd	Tommie Wildmon
Wm. Hal Shaffer	Shari Schubert	Joe Schroeder
Margaret Abbott		
Bette Wittich	Steven Bailot	Fred Holstein
Andrew Marsh	Charles Cooper	Mary Schmidt
Larry Deegan	Aileen Dohm	Frances Gray
Melanie Mansfield	Ron Meyer	Jeanette Trout
Jim Bowman	Helen Calvin	Ruth Niehaus
Joshua Friedrich	Robert Beck	

Unison Prayer

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend these Saints. Acknowledge them, we humbly pray, sheep of your fold, lambs of your flock, children of your redeeming. Receive them into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the company of all the Saints in Light. Amen.

Invitation

The invitation is simple: come and eat. Not a meal to nourish the body, but to feed the soul. We receive the bread and the wine connected to the ages. Woven into this time, the hopes and fears of all the generations are present in this meal. There is great joy here! Nobody is turned away when God is the host!

**With those who have gone before us, the Saints of the Church,
Who celebrated this sacred meal before us,
We worship and glorify God.**

Pastoral Prayer

Silent Prayer

Invocation

Blessing the Children “Now, in the Days of Youth” #350

Institution; Fraction; Distribution

Please come forward via the center aisle to receive and share communion with the Saints of the church who have gone before us. All are welcome to participate in this memory meal, celebrating the communion we all share as Saints of the Church.

Communion Music

Mary Bracke

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor Rick

We thank you, Most Holy God, for refreshment at your table where, along with your saints, we receive all Christ's gifts. Give us the grace to praise you with our lives, our words, our deeds. We give thanks for the heritage of our ancestors, and for their faith. And now, rooted in heritage and faith, we gather as our ancestors have in days past, singing the prayer you taught us:

The LORD'S Prayer *(sung by the congregation, led by Kristin Veteto)*

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.

Sharing our Announcements of Community Life

Pastor Rick

Stewardship Moment

"50 for 50"

Keith Birkes

Presenting our Gifts

"Give Me Jesus"

Mary Bracke
Billingham

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

"We Praise You, O God"

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**We Praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring!
We lay it before you, we kneel and adore you;
We praise your Holy Name, glad praises we sing!**

*Prayer of Dedication

Pastor Rick

*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

"O God Our Help in Ages Past "

Mary Bracke
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TODAY IN WORSHIP:

Greeters: Carol Duermeyer & Helen Schultz
Ushers: Brent Marks & Charlie Marcks
Sound Booth: Jamie Rapp
Worship Leader: Pat Forward
Hospitality: Jolene Kirchhoff
Acolyte: Riley Hayward
Council Steward: John Bullerd

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP:

Greeters: Carol Duermeyer & Helen Schultz
Ushers: Pat Forward
Sound Booth: Brent Marcks
Worship Leader: Jim Loveless
Hospitality: Val Schoeneberg
Acolyte: *ACOLYTE NEEDED*
Council Steward: John Bullerd



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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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YOGA SUNDAY

Stick around after worship today for Yoga Sunday! Join Stefanie Zimny in the Fellowship Hall immediately after worship for some simple yoga exercises. Everyone can yoga! Her technique is very inclusive to all abilities.

VETERANS BREAKFAST- ALL CHURCH BREAKFAST

Next Sunday the Fellowship and Hospitality Ministry Team will be hosting an ***ALL CHURCH BREAKFAST*** to honor our Veterans! Come and celebrate Veterans Day and hear stories from our Veterans. All are welcome! Breakfast will be served at 9:00, with the program following.

WELCOME HOME TO SPEAK AT LUNCH BUNCH

The guest speaker for this month's Lunch Bunch will be from Welcome Home, the Columbia area Veterans Community. All are welcome to come and hear of their ministry in our area. Bring a dish to share at noon and listen to our speaker at 12:30. Lunch Bunch is open to everyone, all ages!

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sun	11/3	<i>All Saints Day/Communion/Yoga Sunday</i>	
		Fellowship Time	9:00am
		Sunday School	9:00am
		Worship	10:30am
		Nurture & Education assembling Blessing Boxes	11:00am
Mon	11/4	Membership & Care Ministry Team	6:00pm
Tue	11/5	Quilters	9:00am-2:00pm
		Fellowship Hall in Use	4:00-8:00pm
Wed	11/6	LODO Advisory Board Meeting	5:45pm
		Chapel Ringers	6:30pm
		Celebration Singers	7:30pm
		Confirmation Classes	6:30/7:00pm
Thu	11/7	Outreach & Advocacy Ministry Team Meeting	6:30pm
Sat	11/9	Heifer Project 75 Year Celebration at Broadway Christian Church	1:00pm
Sun	11/10	<i>Veterans Day/Congregational Budget Meeting</i>	
		Veterans Appreciation Breakfast	9:00am
		Fellowship Time	9:00am
		Sunday School	9:00am
		Worship	10:30am
		Congregational Budget Meeting	11:30am

Columbia UCC Prayer List

Please keep in your prayers this week...

Sue Beckman... recovering from procedure on Thursday

Norma Klemme... recovering from broken leg

Tracy Bach... recovering from leg fracture & sprained ankle

Keith Birkes... recovering from broken ankle

The family of Joe Francka... on their loss (Keith's brother in law)

Catherine Jenks... on hospice (Ron Jenks' mother)

Jo Ellen Grace's brother... living with cancer

For a cousin diagnosed with cancer (10/20)

A close friend and family going through serious health issues (10/27)

Those suffering loss of homes and family in the Syrian conflict (10/27)

The Devenney Family... on their move to South Carolina

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

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,

Finn Price (Tricia's nephew); Harold Hackman; Sue Beckman;

Dennis Froeschner; John Bullerd's step sister

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 Zumalt (Shirley Lawler's grandson)

UCC/DOC Global Ministries Missionary of the Week:

Mark Knowles, serving in Lesotho

2019 Confirmation Class:

Ember Piersee; Andie Rapp; Ryan Schoeneberg

2020 Confirmation Class:

Lilly Jaberg, Hazel Keithahn, Brandon Lavelly