

# Columbia United Church Of Christ

August 25, 2019  
Consecrated



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**Columbia United Church of Christ**

## **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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August 25, 2019

9:30 Worship\*\*

“Consecrated”

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

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

*“...upon you I have leaned from my birth;  
It was you who took me from my mother’s womb.  
My praise is continually of you...”*

*-Psalm 71:6*

Welcome and Greetings

Pastor Rick

Prelude

Amy Crousore  
John Carter

“Be Thou My Vision”

Carrying in the Light of Christ

Katelin Odneal

\*Call to Worship (based on Psalm 71)

Sophie Schupp

In you, O God, we take refuge;  
You deliver us and rescue us.

**God is our rock of refuge;  
Our strong fortress of Salvation!**

You, O God are our hope;  
You are our trust, from the time of our youth.

**We have leaned upon God since our birth;  
Our praise is continually focused on God!**

God, do not be far from us;  
God, make haste to rescue and deliver us.

**We will continue to have hope for God’s presence and Salvation;  
We will continue to praise God more and more every day!  
Come, let us worship God together!**

\*Opening Hymn “Sing Praise to God, Who Has Shaped” #22

\*Opening Prayer Sophie Schupp

**God of challenge and call; you put your words on our lips that we may speak of your Kingdom in words that pluck up and pull down; that destroy and overthrow; that build and that plant. Often we are hesitant to speak your word of justice; forgive us for these times of uncertainty. Teach us to be your prophets, that we may speak the truth to power and bring light to the dark places and hidden realities in the world. In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.**

\*Assurance of Blessing

Pastor Rick

God speaks through the prophets of our traditions, challenging us to speak up for justice, to be God's voice in the world for those who need it most. But even when we forget that we are consecrated to God, God loves us and forgives us. We are all beloved children of God. Praise be to God, from whom all Blessings flow!

\*Prayer Response "Spirit of the Living God"

#283

**Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me!**

**Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me!**

**Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me!**

**Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me!**

\*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

Pastor Rick

"This Little Light of Mine"

#524

*(Sung as children return to their seats)*

Reception of New Members

Invitation

Questions of the Candidates

Pastor Rick

\*Welcoming Our Newest Members

John Graves

By God's grace, you have always been one with us in the body of Christ, the church universal. Today we rejoice in your pilgrimage of faith that has brought you to this time and place. We give thanks for every community of faith that has been your spiritual home, and we celebrate your presence in this family of faith. Let us, the members of Columbia United Church of Christ, stand and express our welcome:

**We welcome you with joy into the common life of this church. We give thanks to every church that has been your home on your spiritual journey, for the formation they have given you. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we all continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love.**

Welcome and Presentation

Pastor Rick

Mission Moment

"CROP Walk"

Jessica Jenks

Anthem "Adoration" Hazel Keithahn  
Felix Borowski

Old Testament Lesson: Jeremiah 1:4-10 Sophie Schupp  
*The prophet Jeremiah recollects his consecration to be a prophet to the nations; and how God's words have been placed in his mouth.*  
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Gospel Lesson: Luke 13:10-17 Sophie Schupp  
*Jesus speaks against the injustice of forcing a woman to remain crippled because of arbitrary, man-made rules. Our cultural rules should enhance positive standards of living, not oppress people such as this woman.*  
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Sermon "Consecrated to God" Pastor Rick

\*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 Pastor Rick

Presenting our Gifts Hazel Keithahn  
"La Gitana" Fritz Kreisler

*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](http://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

Sophie Schupp

**Thank you, God, for all of the gifts you have given us; and for consecrating us to be your servant leaders in the world. Take these gifts that we offer you today; may they be used to embrace your children, to change your world for the better and to bring about your Kingdom of hope, peace and love. Amen.**

\*Closing Hymn

“I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me” (insert)

\*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

“Processional in G Major”

Amy Crousore  
John Stanley



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*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:** Helen Schultz & Paula Wilson  
**Ushers:** Don Helmreich & Pat Forward  
**Sound Booth:** Doug Privitt  
**Worship Leader:** Sophie Schupp  
**Hospitality:** Audrey Lasley  
**Acolyte:** Katelin Odneal



## NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP:

**Greeters:** Stefanie Zimny & Helen Schultz  
**Ushers:** *2 USHERS NEEDED*  
**Sound Booth:** Pete Jaberg  
**Worship Leader:** Audrey Lasley  
**Hospitality:** Jolene Kirchhoff  
**Acolyte:** Katelin Odneal

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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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**BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR RICK Resumes Wednesday, 9/4**

Pastor Rick will be resuming our midweek Adult Bible Study class on Wednesday, September 4 at 6:00pm in the Confirmation Classroom. This will be a 4-week Bible Study (September 4, 11, 18 & 25) focusing on the Psalms.

**RALLY DAY SEPTEMBER 8– Sunday School Resumes at 9:00**

September 8 will be the start of our new program year! Sunday School will resume at 9:00 with classes for children, youth, young Adults and 2 Adult classes! Bryan Crousore will be leading an Adult Bible Study upstairs, and Mark Duncan will be leading our Faith Explorations class in the library. Pastor Rick will be leading the Young Adults Class (ages 18-30 ish) in the back of the Sanctuary. Worship will return to 10:30 that Sunday; and we will have communion, a recognition of our Sunday School Teachers, and an all church fish-fry after worship. All this and a bounce house, too! Don't miss worship on September 8!

**HERITAGE SUNDAY/50TH ANNIVERSARY SEPTEMBER 22**

September 22 we will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of this building! There will be special events during worship that day, and a catered meal after worship at noon. *Please RSVP by visiting [www.columbiaucc.com](http://www.columbiaucc.com) and clicking on the "50th Anniversary Celebration" tab.*

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

Sun	8/25	<b><i>New Members Sunday</i></b>	
		Fellowship Time	9:00am
		Worship	9:30am
		Safe Church Training	11:00am
Mon	8/26	LODO First Day of School	
		Tech Team Meeting with Paragon 360	5:00pm
		Building & Grounds Ministry Team meeting	6:30pm
Tue	8/27	Quilters	9:00am
		Staff Meeting	10:00am
		Finance & Stewardship Ministry Team meeting	6:30pm
Wed	8/28	Heritage Team meeting	10:00am
		Chapel Ringers	6:30pm
		Confirmation	7:00pm
		Celebration Singers	7:30pm
Sun	9/1	<b><i>LAST SUNDAY OF 9:30 WORSHIP</i></b>	
		Fellowship Time	9:00am
		Worship	9:30am
		Yoga with Stefanie Zimny– all are welcome!	11:00am

# **Columbia UCC Prayer List**

*Please keep in your prayers this week...*

Lily Eloise Loveless-Mancuso... born 8/8 to Laura & Jim! Congrats to them and to proud grandparents Jim & Connie Loveless!  
Evelyn Xinyu Grace... born 8/12 to Cory and Nancy! Congratulations to them and to proud grandparents Tim and Jo Ellen Grace!  
Chelsey Grace Markway... born 8/19 to Erin and Levi! Congratulations to them and to proud grandparents Tim and Jo Ellen Grace!  
Ebenezer UCC, Levasy ... recovering from flood damages  
Fred Holstein... health issues (Kim Oberle's uncle)  
Harry's aunt Tonya having back surgery 8/28  
Brad & Tiffany for clarity, peace of mind and direction  
The Barnes family as they mourn their loss (8/18)  
An Aunt recovering from surgery (8/18)  
A friend with brain cancer, undergoing radiation (8/18)  
Amy Crousore's friend Tricia... challenges in life  
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:*

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:*

Rosie McArdle, serving in Micronesia

## *2019 Confirmation Class:*

Ember Piersee; Andie Rapp; Ryan Schoeneberg; Sophie Schupp