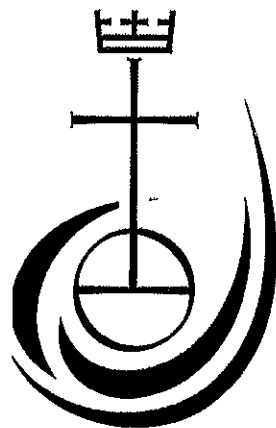


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Veterans Day



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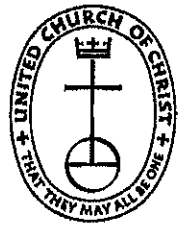
CUCC Open and Affirming/Inclusion Covenant:

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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Of Christ*



November 14, 2021

10:30 Worship

"Veterans Day"

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

*"...My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?
Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?"
-Psalm 22:1*

Welcome and Greetings

Pastor Rick

Prelude

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Amy Crousore
Runyan/Carter

Carrying in the Light of Christ

Aiden Pierson

*Call to Worship *(based on Psalm 22)*

Sue Ann Schaefer

We cry out to God;
We feel lost, alone, forsaken;

**But we know, even in times such as this,
God is with us always.**

We offer prayers to God, but hear no answer;
We wonder if God hears our cries for help.

**But we know God is Holy;
Ever present in all times and places!**

Our ancestors cried out to God for justice and peace;
God heard their prayers; and God hears us, too.

**All who know God, praise God's Holy Name!
Our hearts rejoice in God's presence!
Come, let us worship God!**

*Opening Hymn

"God of the Ages"

#592

*Opening Prayer

Sue Ann Schaefer

God of hope; you come to us in times of challenge and trial, giving us comfort and assurance. You embrace us in our times of discomfort and you bring us peace. Forgive us for the times we feel you are so far away. We know that distance is our doing, not yours. Beckon us to come closer to you; that we may realize your glory. Teach us to have faith that, even in times of barrenness and destitution, you offer us abundance and blessing. Teach us to have faith in your presence. In Jesus' name we pray; Amen.

*Assurance of Blessing

Pastor Rick

When Hannah cried out to God for blessing, God heard her cry. When the psalmist cried out about God's presence, God heard her cry. When we turn to God, professing our faith and asking for blessing, God also hears our cries. Through our repentance and God's grace, we are forgiven, beloved and blessed. 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

Pastor Rick

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!
I have decided to follow Jesus!
I have decided to follow Jesus!
No turning back, no turning back!*

Recognition of Servanthood- Ordination

Pastor Rick

Last Sunday, Quinn Rosenthal was ordained to ministry in the United Church of Christ. Ordination is the rite whereby the United Church of Christ recognizes and authorizes that member whom God has called to ordained ministry, setting that person apart by prayer and the laying on of hands. By this rite, ordained ministerial standing is conferred and authorization is given to perform the duties of ordained ministry in the United Church of Christ.

*Blessing

Eternal God, in wisdom you govern all things and from the beginning you have chosen faithful people to serve you in ministry, for building up the body of Christ.

Now bless and sanctify by your Holy Spirit your servant, Quinn Rosenthal, whose ordination we recognize and celebrate today. Bestow on him the power of your Holy Spirit. Let the same mind be in him that was also in Christ Jesus. Enable him to nourish your people in the faith of the Gospel. Fill his speech with truth, his life with purity, and increase his faith in you always; that your name may be glorified through his actions. In the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray; Amen.

Recognition of Servanthood– Vernie Blank		Pastor Rick
<i>Today we celebrate the 100th birthday of Vernie Blank, God's humble servant, who has enlivened the Gospel of Jesus Christ through her words and deeds. We celebrate her ministry in this place and in all places on the occasion of her birthday.</i>		
Recognition of Servanthood– Veterans Day		Sue Ann Schaefer
<i>After the video presentation, Veterans will be invited to stand (if comfortably able) and remain standing during the prayer.</i>		
Recognition of Servanthood– Newest Members		Kristy Odneal
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
Old Testament Lesson	1 Samuel 1:4-20	Sue Ann Schaefer
<i>The Book of Samuel begins with the story of Samuel's mother, Hannah. She was a faithful woman who endured much provocation from her peers because she was unable to conceive. She prayed to God for a child, and promised that if God gave her a son she would dedicate him to God. In due time, she conceived and bore a son, who she named Samuel which means, "I have asked him of the LORD." (pg. 213)</i>		
Gospel Lesson	Mark 12:41-44	Sue Ann Schaefer
<i>Jesus is preaching in the Temple when he notices a poor widow give all she has to God's glory. Like Hannah, her faith led her to give everything to God. Jesus lifts her up as an example of how we should dedicate ourselves to God. (pg. 825)</i>		
Anthem	"Great is Thy Faithfulness"	Celebration Singers Mary McDonald
Reflection	"Hannah's Hopes"	Pastor Rick
*Hymn	"Great is Your Faithfulness"	#423
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!

Mission Moment

“VAC Christmas Drive”

Llona Weiss

Stewardship Moment

“Giving Tuesday”

Sue Ann Schaefer

Sharing our Announcements of Community Life

Pastor Rick

Presenting our Gifts

*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*

Offertory

“Sonatina”

Amy Crousore
Clementi

*Response

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

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

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”

Amy Crousore
JS Bach

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Ushers: Llona Weiss
Greeters: Anne Heine
Technology Booth: Carissa Graves & John Graves
Hospitality: Stefanie Zimny
Council Steward: Sue Ann Schaefer



NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP:

Worship Leader: Mahree Skala
Acolyte: Trevor Pierson
Ushers: Brent Marcks
Greeters: Helen Schultz
Technology Booth: Phillip Dennis & Josh Muench
Hospitality: Jo Ellen Grace
Council Stewards: Linda Neale & Tricia Price

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CHAPEL RINGERS AND CELEBRATION SINGERS

Have you ever thought about joining one of our choirs? Now is a great time! Brandon Brown is coordinating some great musical opportunities for this year. We are also preparing for an Advent Cantata, which will be presented in worship on December 12. Now is the time to jump in and praise God in song!

LUNCH BUNCH THIS THURSDAY

Join us for Lunch Bunch on Thursday, November 18! The STOP Human Trafficking Coalition of Central MO will provide a short Human Trafficking 101 presentation and share about upcoming events and partnership opportunities, including a luncheon that CUCC will be hosting for survivors in December. Bring a dish to share for the community meal or, if you prefer, bring a sack lunch. We gather at noon, and our speaker starts at 12:30. It is always a great time for fun, fellowship, and education! All are welcome!

GIVING TUESDAY

Giving Tuesday is on Tuesday, November 30, 2021. Last year was a tremendous success, and we hope to exceed the \$22,000 that we raised in 2020. Our goal for 2021 will be to collect \$25,000. 10% of what is collected for Giving Tuesday will be split among VAC and The City of Refuge. 90% of what is collected will go toward Joyful Giving. Plan now to contribute to CUCC on Giving Tuesday!

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sun	11/14	<i>VETERANS DAY OBSERVED IN WORSHIP</i> <i>VERNIE BLANK'S BIRTHDAY OBSERVED IN WORSHIP</i>	
		Men's Fellowship	7:30am
		Sunday School	9:00am
		Fellowship Time	10:00am
		Worship (in person and livestream)	10:30am
Mon	11/15	Staff Meeting	10:15am
		Loaves and Fishes	4:30pm
		Confirmation- 2021 Class	6:00pm
Tue	11/16	Fellowship & Hospitality Ministry Team	5:30pm
		Council Meeting	6:30pm
Wed	11/17	Confirmation- 2022 Class	6:00pm
		Chapel Ringers (Bell Choir) Practice	6:30pm
		Celebration Singers (Choir) Practice	7:30pm
Thu	11/18	Lunch Bunch	12:00pm
Fri	11/19	Pastor Rick's Day off	
Sun	11/21	<i>TESTIMONY SUNDAY</i>	
		Sunday School	9:00am
		Fellowship Time	10:00am
		Worship (in person and livestream)	10:30am
		Worship & Music Ministry Team Meeting	12:00pm

Columbia UCC Prayer List

Please keep in your prayers this week...

The Family of Mary Rinne... on their loss (Donna Marsh's daughter)

Edie Diel... recovering from procedure

Laura Lentz... recovering from health issues

Jim Gordon... health issues (Edie Diel's friend)

Sharon Tiemann... on hospice (April Rothwieler's Aunt)

Linda Lau... living with cancer (Alisa Lau-Sieckman's sister)

Sheila... challenges in life and faith

The Koerkenmeier, Malicoat,

Williams, Piersee & Marsh Families

Health Issues:

Deborah Heather (Edie Diehl's niece); Christine Mseke;

Irene Hurst... living with cancer (Sue & Cliff Beckman's friend)

Living in Care Facilities:

Bea Gordon, Neal Sprick, Gary Ehrhardt,

Mark Brumbach, Vernie Blank, Helen Graves

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)

Pregnancies in our Church Family:

Yvonne Piersee

UCC/DOC Global Ministries Missionary of the Week:

Kahala Cannon... serving in eSwatini

2021 Confirmation Class:

Abby Dennis, Zabibu Kibaro, Kennedy Lucas

2022 Confirmation Class:

Danielle Dreier, Aidan Pierson, Trevor Pierson

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

God of the Ages, Who with Sure Command 592

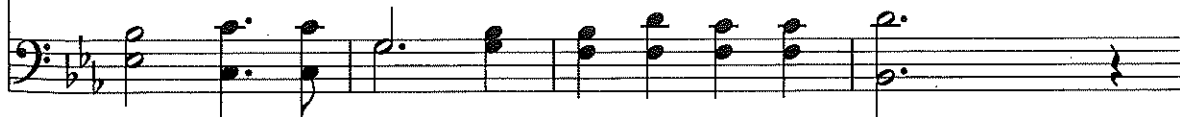
Daniel Crane Roberts, 1876; alt.



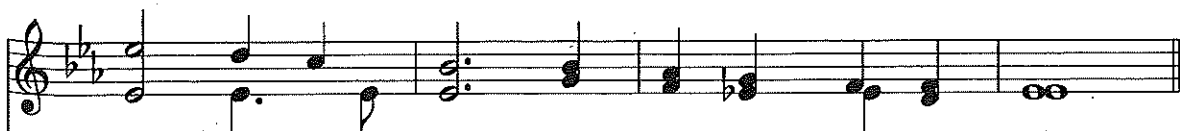
1 God of the a - ges, who with sure com-mand
 2 Your pur - pose, just, en - vi - sions mor-tals free;
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead-ly pes - ti - lence,
 4 Re - fresh your peo - ple on life's toil-some way;



brought forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band
 God, set our path toward hu - man lib - er - ty.
 with stead - fast care be ev - er our de - fense;
 lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;



of shin - ing worlds in splen-dor through the skies,
 Still be our rul - er, guard-ian, guide, and stay—
 Your love and faith with - in our hearts in - crease;
 With truth and love guide us through er - ror's maze,



our grate - ful songs be - fore your throne a - rise.
 your Word our law, your paths our cho - sen way.
 with boun-teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.
 and we shall give you glo - ry, laud, and praise.



Episcopal priest Daniel Crane Roberts wrote this hymn for a July 4, 1876, centennial celebration at Brandon, Vermont. George W. Warren, composer of the tune, was organist at St. Thomas' Church in New York City for thirty years.

Tune: NATIONAL HYMN 10.10.10.
 -George William Warren, 1892

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

THANKSGIVING

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!