

Columbia United Church Of Christ

May 26, 2019
Tabitha (Dorcas)



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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**

“Baptism”

**Summer time change: Worship starts at 9:30 6/9-9/1

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

“...may God be gracious to us and bless us
...may God’s face shine upon us
... That God’s ways may be known upon all the earth;
God’s saving power among all the nations...”
-Psalm 67

Welcome and Greetings

Pastor Rick

Prelude

“Sarabande”

Amy Crouso
JS Bach

Carrying in the Light of Christ

*Call to Worship (based on Psalm 23)

Jim Loveless

God, You are our Shepherd; we want for nothing.
You bring us pastoral peace and comfort!

**God brings us blessings and Salvation,
Restoring our souls!**

You lead us through the depths of despair;
Through the darkest valleys of life.

**We do not fear misery or evil;
For God is with us, guiding us and protecting us!**

You shower us with abundant blessings;
Healing and restoring us, we are forever yours!

**God’s Goodness and Mercy will pursue us always;
And we will endeavor to dwell in God’s House forever!
Come, let us worship God!**

*Opening Hymn “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” #1

*Opening Prayer Jim Loveless

God of Blessings and inspiration; we are inspired by your Wisdom to serve, sharing the Good News of your ministry with words and with deeds. We try to dedicate our lives to you, but often find our actions wanting. Resurrect us in your name, we pray; that we may be filled with new life and devoted to you. In Jesus’ name we pray; Amen.

*Assurance of Blessing

Pastor Rick

Resurrected to New Life, Tabitha redoubled her efforts to bring the Wisdom of the Good News to her community through her words and her deeds. Forgiven of our shortcomings and affirmed, God also restores us to New Life, dedicated to God. We are blessed and forgiven. Alleluia!

*Prayer Response “LORD, Listen to Your Children Praying”

LORD, listen to your children praying!

LORD, send your Spirit in this place!

LORD, listen to your children praying!

Send us Love, send us power, send us 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

“This Little Light of Mine”

#524

(Sung as children return to their seats)

The Sacrament of Baptism

*Today we celebrate the baptism
of August Paul Heine
Son of Emmalee and Kurt Heine*

Welcome and Proclamation

Questions for the Parents

*Congregational Assent

Baptism & Blessing

Baptismal Prayer

Presentation & Sending Forth

“Borning Cry”

#351

Mission Moment

“PET– Mobility Worldwide”

Mahree Skala

Anthem

“Halle, Halle, Halle”

Celebration Singers

Hal Hopson

New Testament Lesson:

Acts 9:36-42

Jim Loveless

The story of Tabitha and her devoted service to Jesus’ ministry. Her good works and charity were legendary. Peter is moved by her self-sacrificial acts and restores her to new life

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Gospel Lesson: John 10:22-30 Jim Loveless
In a story unique to John's Gospel, Jesus is preaching in the portico of Solomon; a place devoted to Wisdom. Jesus speaks of his followers fondly; as loyal sheep, following the commands of their shepherd.
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Sermon "Devoted Servants" Pastor Rick

*Meditation Hymn "In the Bulb there is a Flower" #433
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

Presenting our Gifts Amy Crousore
"Come, O Fount of Every Blessing" *John Wyeth*

*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 "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 Jim Loveless

God of compassion and service; as Tabitha dedicated her life to you, we also dedicate our lives. These gifts we offer today are indicators of that dedication. Just as Tabitha's gifts changed the lives of the first century world, we pray that our gifts may do so as well. Take these offerings and use them to bring your Good News of justice, righteousness and Shalom to all the world. Amen.

*Closing Hymn "Great is Your Faithfulness" #423

*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 Amy Crousore
"Sing Praise to God who Reigns Above" Hal Hopson

*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*

**The United Church of Christ:
"United in Christ's Love, A Just World for All"**

**Summer time change:
Worship starts at 9:30 June 9–September 1**

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TODAY IN WORSHIP:

Greeters: Paula Wilson & Helen Schultz
Ushers: Mahree Skala
Sound Booth: Phil Dennis
Worship Leader: Jim Loveless
Hospitality: Kurt & Emmalee Heine
Acolyte:

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP:

Greeters: Stefanie Zimny
Ushers: Mike & Sharon Rapp
Sound Booth: Pete Jaberg
Worship Leader: Judi Privitt
Hospitality: Doug Privitt
Acolyte:



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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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UPCOMING EVENTS!

Our next Fellowship & Hospitality Event will be the end of School year picnic after church on Sunday, June 2. Please make and bring a favorite recipe from any church cookbook - it doesn't have to be a CUCC cookbook - and bring the cookbook to display. Your recipe can be an appetizer, salad, side dish or dessert. Meat, drink and table service will be provided.

NEW COOKBOOK COMING

The Women's Fellowship is putting together a new CUCC Cookbook! We need your recipes to make it happen. The women are collecting recipes until July 31. You may submit your recipe in the pot outside the sanctuary or e-mail it to the Church Office. For more information, talk to Mariann Bullerd.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sun	5/26	<i>Gus Heine Baptism/Memorial Day Weekend</i>	
		Sunday School	9:00am
		Fellowship Time	9:30am
		Worship	10:30am
Mon	5/27	<i>Church Office Closed</i>	
Tue	5/28	Quilters	9:00am
Wed	5/29	Confirmation	10:00am-2:00pm
		Bible Study- The Book of Acts	6:00pm
		Chapel Ringers/Celebration Singers	6:30pm/7:30pm
Thu	5/30	CUCC Heritage Team	1:00pm
		LODO Board	5:45pm
Sun	6/2	<i>VBS Preview Sunday/Picnic after worship/last 10:30 service</i>	
		Last day of Sunday School until 9/8	9:00am
		Fellowship Time	9:30am
		Worship	10:30am
		All Church Picnic	12:00pm

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Columbia UCC Prayer List

Please keep in your prayers this week...

Sharon Elliott... for positive outcome on medical testing 5/29
Those affected by tornados... and other climate change symptoms
Friends involved in car accident... for healing (Mindy Trout's friends)
Randall Siddens... for healing (Christine Staelens' friend)
Prayers for a friend whose father died this morning (5/19)
The Gardner family on the loss of their son and brother, Grant (5/19)
Claudia Anderson, anticipating heart surgery Tuesday (5/19)
Nephew in the NICU (Tricia's friends)
Friends and family grieving (Tricia's friends)
Loss of mother and 4 children in car accident last week (Tricia's friends)
Our church... as we discern next steps as an ONA congregation
Harold Hackman... anticipating knee replacement in June
Dale Gregory; Christine Mseke, Bea Gordon; Sue Beckman
Gary Ehrhardt; Lasley Family; Margaret Abbott;
Amy Koerkenmeyer & the Malicoat Family; Remeika/Johnson family

Health Issues:

Deborah Heather (Edie Diehl's niece); Sylvia Mosberger;
Nathan Schnell (Isaiah's friend); Christie O'Very;
Janet Shepard; Kathy Kindrick;

Pregnancies in our church family:

Erin & Levi Markway
Nancy Liang & Corey Grace
Emily & Patrick Hanks

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)

UCC/DOC Global Ministries Missionary of the Week:

Phyllis Byrd, serving in Kenya

2019 Confirmation Class:

Noah Bredehoeft; Ember Piersee;
Andie Rapp; Ryan Schoeneberg; Sophie Schupp