

Columbia United Church Of Christ

June 9, 2019

Pentecost



CUCC

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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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June 9, 2019

*9:30 Worship***

"Pentecost"

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

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

*"...when you send forth your Spirit, they are created;
And you renew the face of the ground..."*

-Psalm 104:30

Welcome and Greetings

Pastor Rick

Prelude

Amy Crousore

"Improvisation on Aberswyth"

Hal Hopson

Carrying in the Light of Christ

*Call to Worship *(based on Psalm 104)*

Peter Jaberg

Creator God, how majestic are your works!
Your Wisdom brings all things into being.

**The roar of the oceans, the majesty of the seas;
Living things that frolic in the waves; You Created them all!**

You supply your Creatures with nourishment and provision;
Care for all, in due season.

**Your hands supply goodness and love;
Your presence refreshes and restores.**

You sent forth your Spirit and bring life;
You breathe into each of us, re-creating your world.

**May God's Glory endure forever;
May our meditations be pleasing to God!
Come, let us worship God!**

*Opening Hymn *"Gather Us In"*

(insert)

*Opening Prayer

Peter Jaberg

God of Power and Presence; your Holy Spirit blows through our lives, firing us up and inspiring us to do new and exciting things. Just as you empowered the first century disciples, you empower us to do your good work in the world. But often we are closed to the power of your Spirit. Forgive us when we dismiss your power and sneer at your Holy Spirit. Teach us to be open to amazement and being perplexed by your power; open our hearts to embrace awe and wonder. In Jesus' name we pray; Amen.

*Assurance of Blessing

Pastor Rick

Gathered in an Upper Room, the disciples were amazed and perplexed at God's Holy Spirit moving among them. They learned to embrace the awe, while others merely sneered. In our lives, we are comforted to know that God restores and renews us, even when we sneer at God's presence. Through God's Holy Spirit, we are all renewed and forgiven. Alleluia!

*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

“This Little Light of Mine”

#524

(Sung as children return to their seats)

Mission Moment

“Blankets Plus”

Kim Oberle

Anthem

Chapel Ringers & Ed Kaiser, percussion

“Bwana Awabariki”

Susan T. Nelson

New Testament Lesson:

Acts 2:1-8,11-13

Peter Jaberg

The Holy Spirit invades the community of Jesus' followers in a way that fires them up and ignites their passions for ministry. Ablaze with authority, they embark upon a journey to lay the foundation for the early church by spreading the Good News to all.

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Gospel Lesson:

John 14:15-17, 25-27

Peter Jaberg

Jesus shares Wisdom with his friends before being led out to be crucified. In this Wisdom, he shares with them that God's Holy Spirit will be sent to them, teaching them everything and reminding them of God's presence in their midst.

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Sermon

“Awe-filled”

Pastor Rick

Invitation to Communion

*We will celebrate altar communion this Sunday, coming forward to receive the elements. **EVERYONE** is welcome to partake in this meal.*

*Come forward through the **center** aisle. There will be two communion stewards on the North side of the Sanctuary, and two on the South side. You can go to either pair. Take a piece of bread, **pause a moment and eat with***

the steward; then proceed to the cup. Pause a moment and drink the cup with the steward; then place the cup back in the communion tray.

The small vessels on the bread plate contain gluten free bread, the center ring of cups contains grape juice, the outer rings contain wine. For those with mobility challenges, communion will be brought to you.

God's Holy Spirit fired up the first century disciples, filling them with the ability to interact with others and share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Sharing bread and cup with diverse cultures and people, they spoke of the love that Jesus taught them the night he first celebrated this meal. In like manner we gather, open to God's Holy Spirit and fired up to celebrate Jesus' love.

Pastoral Prayer, Silent Prayer & Invocation

Blessing the Children

During the hymn, our children are invited to come forward via the center aisle and receive a special blessing from Pastor Rick.

“On Pentecost They Gathered”

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Institution; Fraction; Distribution

Communion Music

Harry Beckett and Linda Neale

“The Gentle Presence of the Lord: A Hymn Medley”

Prayer of Thanksgiving

God of awesome power; you called your disciples together and fired them up; sending them out into the world to celebrate your love and speak of your Wisdom. Like those first century disciples, we gather here today as well; hoping to be fired up and inspired by your Holy Spirit and praying that, like those first century disciples, we can change your world. We thank you for this meal, through which we remember Jesus' ministry with us. We thank you for your Holy Spirit, that calls the church into being. Now we gather together as one church, uniting together in the prayer Jesus taught us:

*The LORD's Prayer

(spoken by the congregation)

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

Presenting our Gifts

“Spring”

Amy Crousore

Antonio Vivaldi

*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 Peter Jaberg

Loving God, as the disciples who gathered on that Pentecost Day long ago opened themselves to your power and changed your world, we pray that we may do the same. Take these gifts that we offer today; may they be emblematic of our desire to do you will. Through them, may your Wisdom spread like wildfire, and your Spirit be shared with all. Amen.

*Closing Hymn "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness" #286

*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
"O Worship the King" *John Carter*

***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: Sue Beckman & Bryan Crousore
Ushers: Brent Marcks & Charlie Marcks
Sound Booth: Phil Dennis
Worship Leader: Peter Jaberg
Hospitality: Cliff Beckman & Sue Beckman
Acolyte: Abby Dennis

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP:

Greeters: John & Brenda Muench
Ushers: Christine Staelens
Sound Booth: Carissa Graves
Worship Leader: Audrey Lasley
Hospitality: Brent Marcks
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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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	6/9	<i>Pentecost– Wear Red to church!</i> <i>Nurture & Education Team Bake Sale for Camp Scholarships</i>	
		Fellowship Time	9:00am
		Worship	9:30am
		Nurture & Education Ministry Team	11:00am
Tue	6/11	Quilters	9:00am
		Food Bank	6:00pm
Thu	6/13	Finance & Stewardship Ministry Team	6:00pm
Sun	6/16	<i>Father's Day– Bring Dad to Church!</i>	
		Fellowship Time	9:00am
		Worship	9:30am
Mon	6/17	Loaves and Fishes	4:30pm
Tue	6/18	Church Council Meeting	6:30pm
Thu	6/20	Inclusion Team	6:30pm
Fri	6/21-6/25	General Synod in Milwaukee, WI	

Columbia UCC Prayer List

Please keep in your prayers this week...

Matthew Baker & family... recovering from surgery 6/4

Ginny Van Hove... recovering from knee surgery 5/29

The family of Margaret Abbott... on their loss

Sharon Elliott... for speedy recovery from health issues

Barb & Beth... health issues (Anne Heine's sisters)

Those affected by flooding... and other climate change symptoms

Ebenezer UCC, Levasy & Peace UCC, Hartsburg... dealing with floods

Randall Siddens...for healing (Christine Staelens & Mindy Trout's friend)

Our church... as we discern next steps as an ONA congregation

Harold Hackman... anticipating knee replacement 6/21

Parents who have lost children (Edie's cousin Ruth lost her son)

Friends and Family of Katie Paul... on their loss (6/2)

Tricia Beasley... hospitalized (6/2)

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:

John Campbell-Nelson, serving in Indonesia

2019 Confirmation Class:

Noah Bredehoeft; Ember Piersee;

Andie Rapp; Ryan Schoeneberg; Sophie Schupp