

# Columbia UCC Prayer List

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

Jolene Hackman... recovering from broken ankle & surgery  
Holly Frieden... recovering from severe burns (Doug Privitt's friend)  
Alexis... recovering from heart transplant (Elaine Trout's friend)  
Jim & Sharon Elliott ... home sick with COVID

The students and staff of Alpha Hart Lewis Elementary... our partnership friend

Sheila... challenges in life and faith  
The Koerkenmeier & Malicoat Families  
The Williams, Piersee, Marsh Families

### *Health Issues:*

Tiffany Brookshire; Glenn Duermeier; David Martin; Levi Markway;  
Deborah Heather (Edie Diehl's niece); Christine Mseke;  
Gene Kelly... living with cancer (Jim & Connie Loveless'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, Dane Wilson  
James Walker (Don Helmreich's nephew)  
Tim Isom, Tyler Gibson (Oberles' friends);  
Daisia Baker (Isaiah's cousin)

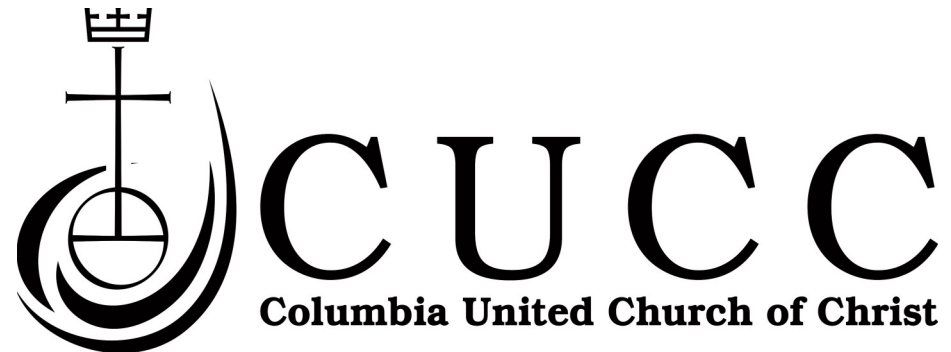
### *2022 Confirmation Class:*

Danielle Dreier, Aidan Pierson, Trevor Pierson; Lawson Flood-Lorber

# Columbia United Church Of Christ

August 7, 2022

Welcome Pastor Dale



### **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.

*If you try to fit God into your life,  
You will never have time for God.  
If you try to fit your life into God,  
You will always have time for what matters.*

**Columbia  
United Church  
Of Christ**



**August 7, 2022**

**9:30 Worship**

**"Faith"**

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

*"...the mighty one, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting..."*

*-Psalm 50:1*

Welcome and Greetings

Kristy Odneal

Covenant with Pastor Dale

\*Congregational Welcome

**We welcome you with joy into the common life of this church. 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.**

\*Prayer

Kristy Odneal

Welcome and Greetings

Pastor Dale

Prelude

"O How Glorious, Full of Wonder"

Amy Crousore

*Dutch folk tune/Mark Sedio*

Carrying in the Light of Christ

Trevor Pierson

\*Call to Worship

*(based on 1 Timothy 1:17)*

Lydia Whitacre

We are gathered to give witness to the enduring realities of life.

**We have come to affirm life as a gift, that the gift is good, and that it comes from God.**

We gather to renew our hope in Jesus Christ, as we travel life's long journey,

**We find God in the paths of our past and present, but we also trust in God's Love in our future.**

The same God guides us all the way, every day of our lives, and beyond life.

**Let us praise God with our whole hearts, and entrust our lives to God's care.**

**To the God of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory Forever and ever.**

**Come, let us worship God!**

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NURSERY CARE... is available for children in kindergarten and younger in room #201 in the educational wing. If you need help finding it, ask an usher!

**LODO AMAZON WISH LIST**

LODO is preparing for our upcoming school year and we are hoping to replace a few well loved items and to add to our learning materials. If you are interested in supporting the LODO Ministry, please consider purchasing an item from our LODO Amazon Wishlist. Purchased items can be shipped directly to LODO. Check out the Friday email for the link to the LODO Amazon Wish list.

**ANNUAL HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS TRAINING**

Every year, CUCC members who will be working with children and youth are required to participate in Healthy Relationships Training (also called "Safe Church") to maximize the way we interact with our youth. However, this training is good for everyone to maximize our potential interactions with others in our society. EVERYONE at CUCC is invited to participate. The next session is August 28 at 10:30am (after worship). You must register ahead of time; talk to Lydia Whitacre or Linda Neale, or click the link in the Friday email to register.

**VAC BACK TO SCHOOL FAIR**

The Voluntary Action Center is hosting a Back to School Fair on Saturday, August 6, 2022 at Derby Ridge Elementary School. They will be giving backpacks full of school supplies to children in the Columbia Public School District. They are expecting 800+ children to show up! We are encouraging CUCC members to donate to defray the cost of backpacks, and to volunteer as able to help distribute them at the fair. You can find out more at [www.vacmo.org/programs/back-to-school/](http://www.vacmo.org/programs/back-to-school/) or donate through Kindrid on the CUCC website.

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

Sun	8/7	<b>Meet and Greet with Pastor Dale</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
		Fellowship Time	9:00am
		Worship (in person and livestream)	9:30am
Mon	8/8	Worship & Music Ministry Team	6:30pm
Tue	8/9	Quilters	10:00am
		Outreach & Advocacy Ministry Team	6:30pm
Wed	8/10	Chapel Ringers Rehearsal	6:00pm
		Celebration Singers Rehearsal	7:00pm
Thu	8/11	Inclusion & Affirmation Ministry Team	6:30pm
Sun	8/14	Fellowship Time	9:00am
		Worship (in person and livestream)	9:30am

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## TODAY IN WORSHIP:

**Worship Leader:** Lydia Whitacre  
**Acolyte:** Trevor Pierson  
**Ushers:** Llona Weiss  
**Greeters:** Jolene Kirchhoff  
**Technology Booth:** Doug Privitt & Judi Privitt  
**Hospitality:** Brent Marcks  
**Council Stewards:** Sue Ann Schaefer



## NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP:

**Worship Leader:** Mahree Skala  
**Acolyte:** Aidan Pierson  
**Ushers:**  
**Greeters:**  
**Technology Booth:** Mike Pierson & Brent Marcks  
**Hospitality:** Melba Shaeffer  
**Council Stewards:** Mike Pierson & Jessica Lucas

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\*Gathering Hymn "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" #1

\*Opening Prayer Lydia Whitacre

**We come into your presence with thanks, Creator God, for all that fills our lives with joy: the love of family and friends, the comfort of our homes, the challenge of work, and the delight of leisure. Forgive us that too often we have taken all these for granted, failing to see them as your gifts. In this time of worship, stretch our understanding and help us to see more clearly your will for us. Teach us to live in the world with faithfulness to your intention for the beloved community, through Jesus Christ, your faithful witness.**

\*Assurance of Blessing Pastor Dale

We are inheritors of God's grace, and by faith we claim that grace as our own. God gives us the faith to be reconciled with God and with each other; but often we fail to live into this faith. But even when we fail to live into this gift, God forgives us. 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 Dale

May God's Peace be with you!

**And also with you!**

Children's Time Pastor Dale

Response: "This Little Light of Mine" #525

*(Sung as children return to their seats)*

***This little light of mine; I'm gonna let it shine!  
This little light of mine; I'm gonna let it shine!  
This little light of mine; I'm gonna let it shine!  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!***

Epistle Lesson: Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16 Lydia Whitacre

*The author of this letter speaks of faith, and how faith in God has structured the lives of Abraham and our ancestors. They tell us that faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.*  
(page #977)

Gospel Lesson: Luke 12:32-40 Lydia Whitacre  
*Jesus tells his disciples to not be afraid, for the treasure they build up in heaven is far greater than any treasures they accumulate here on earth. We should be more focused on preparing ourselves spiritually than we are on preparing ourselves physically.* (page #847)

Anthem "Shy" Dom & Stephanie Lee  
For King and Country

Sermon: "I Believe in Things" Pastor Dale

\*Hymn: "We Cannot Own the Sunlit Sky" #563

\*Invitation to Communion  
*Throughout his ministry, Jesus was one who reached across human borders and boundaries, seeing in everyone a common heritage as a child of God. In like manner, all are welcome to partake in communion today, no matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, coming to Christ's table to partake in altar communion.*

Pastoral Prayer

Silent Prayer & Invocation

Blessing the Children "Let Us, Talents and Tongues Employ" #347

*In the Sacrament of Communion, we most clearly see Jesus in our midst. Our desire to share this presence prompts us to celebrate with our children, granting them a special blessing. During the hymn, our children are invited to come forward via the center aisle and receive a special blessing from Pastor Dale.*

Institution; Fraction; Distribution

*You will be invited to come forward via the center aisle to receive Communion from the Communion Stewards.*

Communion Music "Prelude in E Minor" Amy Crousore  
J.S. Bach

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

**God of powerful presence, you gifted the followers of Jesus with a great faith, sending them out to ministry. Like those first century disciples, we gather here today as well, hoping to be 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, and 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:**

\* Pastoral Prayer Pastor Dale

\* The LORD's Prayer *(sung by the Congregation, led by Brandon Brown)*

**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 Dale

Sabbatical Moment Mike Pierson

Living Our Mission "VAC Back to School Fair" Mark Dunan

Stewardship Moment Keith Birkes

Invitation to the Offering

*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)*

Offertory "Fantasy in D minor" Amy Crousore  
W.A. Mozart

\*Prayer of Dedication Pat Forward

**As we journey though this Sabbath time, O God, we have faith that you will be with us and provide for us, guiding us along the way. As a reflection of that faith, we offer these gifts to you. May they be used to bring faith to all who are in need, and to Glorify your name in all the world. Amen.**

\*Benediction Pastor Dale

\*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 "To Walk in God's Ways" Amy Crousore  
Lani Smith