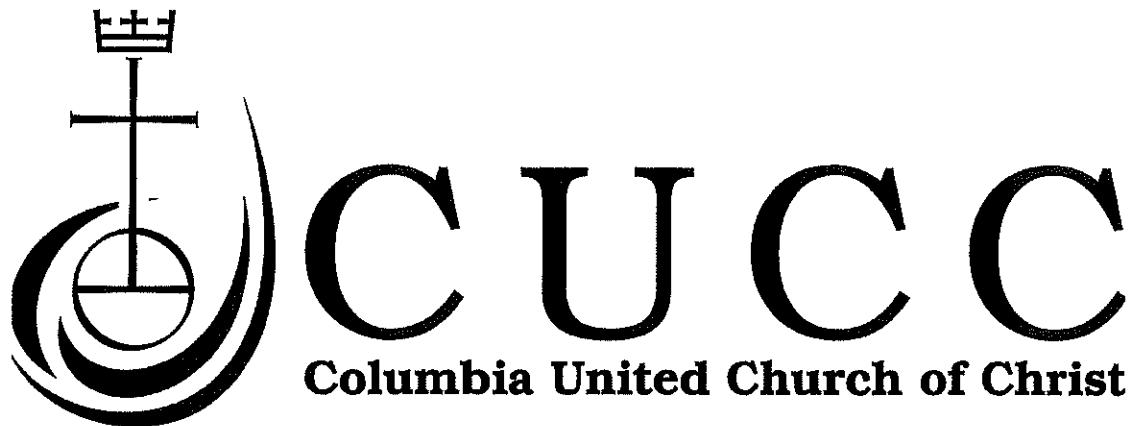


Columbia United Church Of Christ

November 7, 2021
All Saints Day



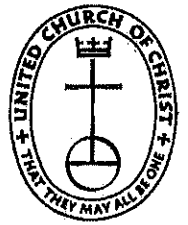
CUCC Open and Affirming/Inclusion Covenant:

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.

Columbia
United Church
Of Christ



November 7, 2021

10:30 Worship

"All Saints Day"

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

*"...The earth is the LORD'S and all that is in it;
The world, and those who live in it..."*

-Psalm 24:1

Welcome and Greetings

Pastor Rick

Prelude "When the Saints Go Marching In"

Chapel Ringers
Sherman

Carrying in the Light of Christ

Danielle Dreier

*Call to Worship (based on Psalm 24)

Connie Loveless

The earth is God's, and all that is in it,
The world, and those who live in it.

**God has established our community and embraced us in love.
God has established God's will within our hearts and called it good!**

Who shall ascend the hill of God
And who will stand in God's Holy Place?

**Those who do not lift up their souls to false idols;
Those who strive for pure hearts draw ever nearer to God.**

We are the recipients of God's blessings.
We have received vindication from the God of our Salvation.

**Lift up your hearts, mighty congregation! Lift up your souls!
Lift up your voices in song; for God has blessed you with Salvation!
Come, let us worship God!**

*Opening Hymn

"For All the Saints"

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*Opening Prayer

Connie Loveless

**God of love, as we gather in this place we do so in the midst of all the
Saints of the Church who are no longer with us, embracing their
legacy and benefiting from their cloud of witness, wisdom and faith.
As we remember the Saints of the Church who are no longer here
remind us that we, too, are the Saints of the Church and we are
building on the legacy they have left us. Remind us to be faithful to
their example and diligent in our discernment of your call to Peace,
Justice and Reconciliation. In Jesus' name we pray; Amen.**

*Assurance of Blessing

Pastor Rick

Our ancestors in faith had Christ as their Rock, their refuge and their might. Though we idealize their legacy, we know that those Saints often wavered in their faith; yet God forgave them, loved them and blessed them. We are inheritors of that legacy. We, the Saints of the Church, are forgiven, beloved and blessed as well. 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!*

New Testament Lesson

Revelation 21:1-6

Connie Loveless

The Book of Revelation is a book of hope, sharing the Good News of God’s re-Creating activity in the world. Even in the midst of Roman oppression, God is re-Creating and making all things new. This ending of John’s vision talks of the newness possible when people turn away from the narcissism of Rome and turn to God. (pg. 1007)

Gospel Lesson

John 11

Choral Reading

Jesus goes to Bethany, where his friend Lazarus has died. Seeing the sorrow of his sisters, Mary and Martha, Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead. He does so to illustrate the Glory of God and God’s ability to transcend death. (pg. 873)

Anthem

“Sine Nomine”

Celebration Singers
Earl Rosenburg

Sermon

“Sainthood”

Pastor Rick

*Hymn

“I Sing a Song of the Saints of God”

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*Invitation to Communion

The invitation is simple: come and eat. Not a meal to nourish the body, but to feed the soul. Woven into this time, the hopes and fears of all the generations are present in this meal. There is great joy here! Nobody is turned away when God is the host!

With those who have gone before us, the Saints of the Church who celebrated this sacred meal before us, we worship and glorify God.

Remembering the Saints of the Church

For all those Saints who have gone before us, we give thanks. Candles will be lit in their memory, as each name is read.

John Lawler	Dale Gregory	Donald Wayne Powell
Douglas Giroux	Andy Geisert	Shirley Lawler
Juanita Zeiler	Ardith Wilson	Leila Kirchhoff
Tom Arri	Lawrence Nilges	Keith Burnham
Dakotah McQuay	Gene Koepke	Christie Overy
Beverly Gerken	Leona Litteral	Ron Whitacre
Ardell Martin	David Propst	Dennis Propst
		Cheyenne Summer

Unison Prayer

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend these Saints. Acknowledge them, we humbly pray, sheep of your fold, lambs of your flock, children of your redeeming. Receive them into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the company of all the Saints in Light. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer & Silent Prayer

Invocation & Institution; Fraction & Sharing

In today's Sacrament of Communion, we will be remembering the meal in which Jesus gave us instruction to be servant leaders and to love one another even as he first loved us; and as we come forward, we will be sharing communion with all the Saints of the Church who have gone before us, represented by the candles lit on the chancel. All are welcome to partake.

Communion Music

"Finlandia"

Amy Crousore
Jean Sibelius

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor Rick

We thank you, Most Holy God, for refreshment at your table where, along with your saints, we receive all Christ's gifts. Give us the courage to praise you with our lives, our words, our deeds. We give thanks for the heritage of our ancestors, and for their faith. And now, rooted in heritage and faith, we gather as our ancestors have in days past, singing the prayer you taught us:

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

Mission Moment "VAC Christmas Drive" Mark Duncan

Stewardship Moment "Giving Tuesday" Brent Marcks

Sharing our Announcements of Community Life

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 "Invention #13 in A Minor" Amy Crousore
JS Bach

*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 Connie Loveless

God of our Ancestors; as the Saints of the church who have gone before us dedicated their lives to you, we also dedicate ours. Take these gifts and multiply them, using them to your will. Let them continue the legacy of love left behind by those who went before us. Through these gifts we dedicate ourselves to you. Amen.

*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 "For All the Saints" Amy Crousore
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Ushers: Fred & Carolyn Malicoat
Greeters: Susan Dunham
Technology Booth: Lorry Dreier & Brent Marcks
Hospitality: Melba Shaffer
Council Steward: Lorry Dreier & Brent Marcks



NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP:

Worship Leader: Sue Ann Schaefer
Acolyte: Aidan Pierson
Ushers: Llona Weiss
Greeters: Anne Heine
Technology Booth: Carissa Graves & John Graves
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Council Stewards: Sue Ann Schaefer

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WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Women's Fellowship will meet on Thursday, November 11, at 9:30 a.m. in the Gathering Area at CUCC. We will continue the Bible Study "What My Grandmothers Taught Me," learning from the women in Matthew's genealogy of Jesus. It is very interesting, and includes Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, Bathsheba, Mary, and more! Breakfast is provided. All women of the church are welcome!

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Men's Fellowship will meet in person on Sunday, November 14, at 7:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. They will gather for pancakes, sausages, coffee, and juice, while discussing upcoming plans for mission work and ministries. All men of the church are welcome to attend!

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!

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sun	11/7	<i>ALL SAINTS DAY/CONGREGATIONAL MEETING</i>	
		Sunday School	9:00am
		Fellowship Time	10:00am
		Worship (in person and livestream)	10:30am
		Congregational Meeting	11:30am
		Youth to Mobility Worldwide	12:00pm
Mon	11/8	Staff Meeting	10:15am
		Confirmation- 2021 Class	6:00pm
Tue	11/9	Quilters	10:00am
Wed	11/10	Confirmation- 2022 Class	6:00pm
		Chapel Ringers (Bell Choir) Practice	6:30pm
		Celebration Singers (Choir) Practice	7:30pm
Thu	11/11	<i>VETERANS DAY</i>	
		Women's Fellowship	9:30am
Fri	11/12	<i>VERNIE BLANK'S 100TH BIRTHDAY</i>	
		Pastor Rick's Day off/LODO Closed	
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

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... health issues

Laura Lentz... health issues, hospitalized

Travis Brookshire... recovering from gall bladder surgery

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

Charlie Marcks... recovering from shoulder surgery

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;

Gary Johnson... recovering from non-Hodgkins lymphoma (Kelly Smith's father)

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:

Rosalind Gnatt... serving in Germany

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;

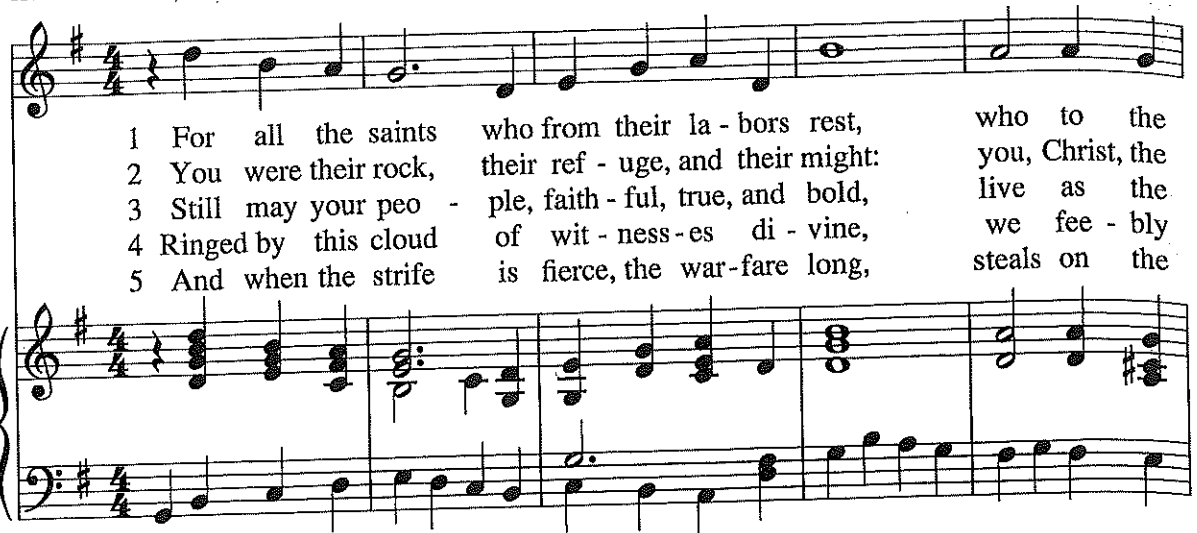
Challenging and inspiring everyone with vibrant worship;

Building a supportive church family;

Transforming both the congregation and community

through service and outreach

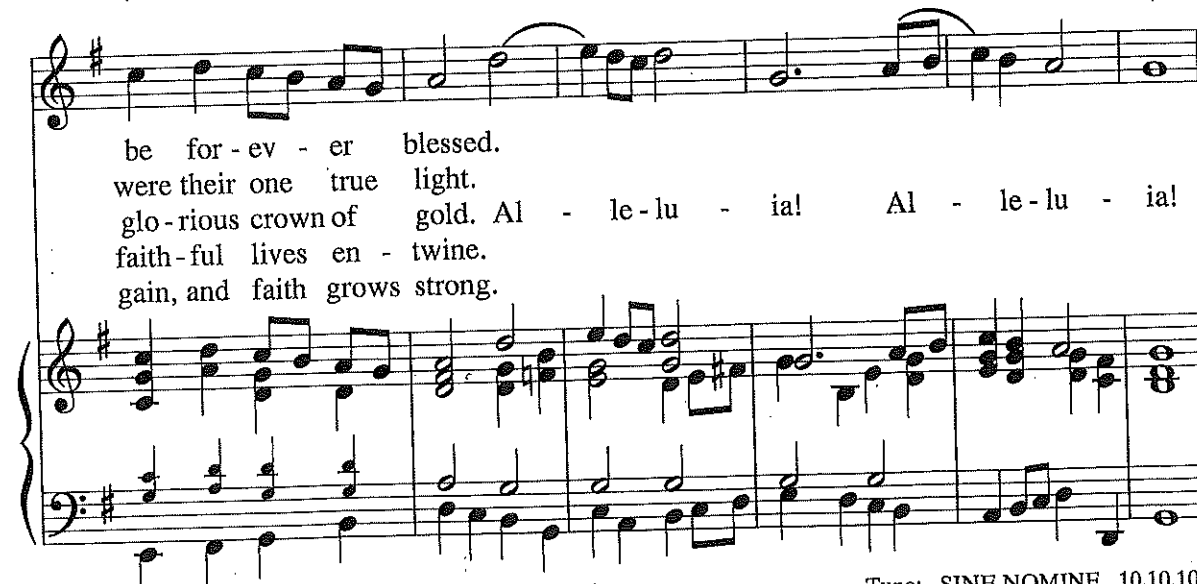
For All the Saints

*William W. How, 1864; alt.**Heb. 12:1*


1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who to the
 2 You were their rock, their refuge, and their might: you, Christ, the
 3 Still may your people, faith-ful, true, and bold, live as the
 4 Ringed by this cloud of wit-ness-es di-vine, we fee-bly
 5 And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long, steals on the



world their stead-fast faith con-fessed, your name, O Je-sus,
 hope that put their fears to flight; 'mid gloom and doubt, you
 saints who nobly fought of old, and share with them a
 strug-gle, they in glo-ry shine; yet in your love our
 ear the dis-tant tri-umph song, then hearts are brave a-



be for-ev-er blessed.
 were their one true light.
 glo-rious crown of gold. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
 faith-ful lives en-twine.
 gain, and faith grows strong.

This traditional All Saints Day hymn originally consisted of eleven stanzas written for the Sarum Hymnal (1869) and set to a tune by that name, Sarum. It has grown in popularity since it was later paired with the enduring Sine Nomine in The English Hymnal (1906).

Tune: SINE NOMINE 10.10.10.4.
 Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

John 6:24-35, 51-58; 1 Cor. 2:9-16; 1 John 4

Brian Wren, 1969; rev. 1987

1 There's a spir - it in the air, tell - ing Chris-tians ev - ery-where:
 2 Lose your shy - ness, find your tongue; tell the world what God has done:
 3 When be - liev - ers break the bread, when a hun - gry child is fed:
 4 Still the Spir - it gives us light, see - ing wrong and set - ting right:
 5 When a strang-er's not a - lone, where the home-less find a home:

“Praise the love that Christ re-vealed, liv - ing, work - ing in our world.”
 God in Christ has come to stay. Live to - mor - row's life to - day.
 Praise the love that Christ re-vealed, liv - ing, work - ing in our world.
 God in Christ has come to stay. Live to - mor - row's life to - day.
 Praise the love that Christ re-vealed, liv - ing, work - ing in our world.

6 May the Spir-it fill our praise,
 guide our thoughts and change our ways.
 God in Christ has come to stay.
 Live to-mor-row's life to-day.

7 There's a Spir-it in the air,
 call-ing peo-ple ev-ery-where:
 Praise the love that Christ re-vealed,
 liv-ing, work-ing in our world.

Brian Wren celebrates the Spirit's work in the world in this text written for Pentecost at Hockley, England. In it, Wren borrows a poetic device from the Isaac Watts hymn "Give to Our God Immortal Praise" with the alternating repetition of two choruses.

Tune: ORIENTIS PARTIBUS 7.7.7.7.
 Medieval French melody
 Harm. Richard Redhead, 1853

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Lesbia Scott, 1929; alt.

Unison

1 I sing a song of the saints of God, faith-ful their whole lives
 2 They loved their God and they lived that love. It was lov - ing that made them
 3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past, there are hun-dreds of thou - sands

This text was included in Lesbia Scott's Everyday Hymns for Little Children with her original words, music, and illustrations. A native of Britain, Scott was also the author of six published plays and enjoyed painting until her death in 1986.

Tune: GRAND ISLE Irr.
 John H. Hopkins, 1940

ALL SAINTS DAY

through, who brave - ly la - bored, lived, and died for the God they
 strong. They did what was right, for Je - sus' sake, lived just - ly their
 still. The world is filled with liv - ing saints who choose to

loved and knew. And one was a doc - tor, and one was a queen, and an -
 whole lives long. And one was a proph - et, and one was a priest, and an -
 do God's will. You can meet them in school, on the road, or at sea, in a

oth - er a shep - herd in pas - tures green: they were saints of God, if you
 oth - er was slain by a fierce wild beast: there is no earth - ly rea - son,
 church, in a train, in a shop, or at tea: for the saints are folk like

know what I mean. God, help me to be one, too.
 none in the least, why I should - n't be one, too.
 you and like me, and I mean to be one, too.