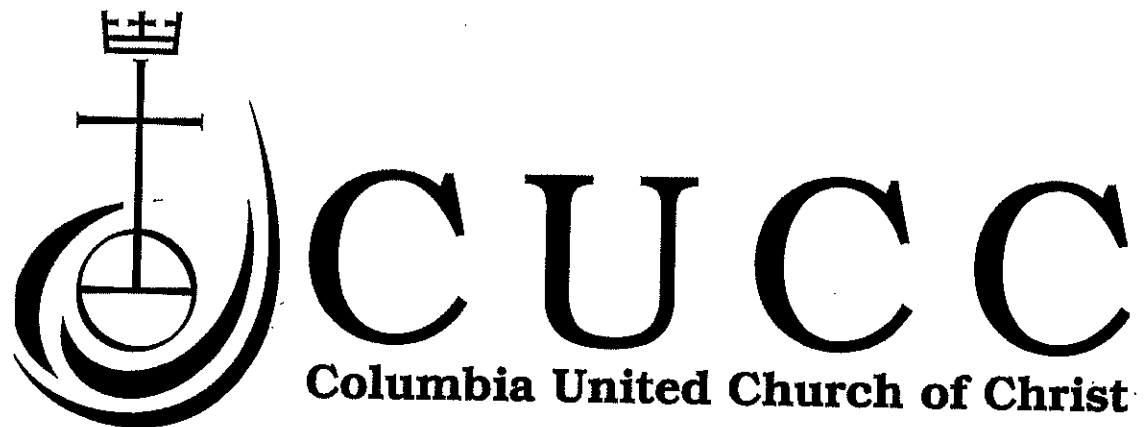


Columbia United Church Of Christ

March 21, 2021
Lazarus Sunday



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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March 21, 2021

10:30 Worship

"Emmaus Homes"

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

*"...create in me a clean heart, O God;
Put a new and right spirit within me..."
-Psalm 51:10*

Gathering Music		Amy Crousore
Welcome and Greetings		Pastor Rick
Prelude		Amy Crousore
	"What Wondrous Love is This"	Harmony
Carrying in the Light of Christ		Kennedy Lucas
*Call to Worship	(based on Psalm 51)	Zabibu Kibaro

Have Mercy upon us, O God; according to Your Steadfast Love.
According to your mercy, blot out our transgressions!

**We know our transgressions and our sins of separation;
We have faith that God washes us clean and fills us with life!**

Create in us new and clean hearts, O God;
Fill us with Your Holy Spirit!

**God draws us ever closer to each other, and to God.
Filling us with God's Holy Spirit, all things are possible!**

You restore our joys and bring us salvation!
You sustain in us ready Spirits; willing to serve!

**Filled with God's Holy Spirit, our mouths are opened.
We are fired up to sing God's praises!
Come, let us worship God!**

*Opening Hymn "The Church's One Foundation" NCH #386

*Opening Prayer Brandon Schoeneberg

God of love; we have been walking with Jesus this whole Lenten season; and now we come to Lazarus Sunday. We hear about Jesus boldly resurrecting Lazarus, knowing full well that this event could lead to his arrest. He acted boldly and decisively, putting your will ahead of the pressures of the world. Forgive us for the times when we fail to act boldly, giving in to the pressures of those around us instead of standing up for what is right. Help us follow your example, acting boldly in the world. In In Jesus' name we pray; Amen.

*Assurance of Blessing Pastor Rick
The resurrection of Lazarus lead directly to Jesus' rejection; yet he boldly did what he was called to do. We are called to follow his example; but even when we fail in this area, God forgives us and affirms us as beloved children of God. We are forgiven! We are God's beloved! Praise be to God!

*Prayer Response "Jesus, Remember Me..."
Jesus, Remember me...
When you come into your Kingdom.
Jesus, Remember me...
When you come into your Kingdom.

Sharing God's Gift of Peace Pastor Rick

Children's Time Pastor Rick

Response "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"
I have decided to follow Jesus; (3x)
No turning back, no turning back.
The world behind me, the cross before me (3x)
No turning back, no turning back.

Advocacy Moment Rate Standardization Cindy Clark

Anthem "The Wondrous Cross" Harry Beckett

Gospel Lesson John 11:1-53 (selected verses) Confirmands
On Lazarus Sunday, we hear the story of the resurrection of Lazarus. This story is of great importance as we journey to Jerusalem; for the resurrection of Lazarus foreshadows the Resurrection of Jesus. Raising Lazarus from the dead also was the catalyst for turning the Pharisees against Jesus and plotting his death. (pg. 864)

Sermon: "Little Resurrections" Pastor Rick

Hymn: "What Wondrous Love is This" NCH #223

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 Pastor Rick

Presenting our Gifts Lucy Smith
"A Passion Meditation" Lani Smith

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 "For the Fruit of All Creation" NCH #425

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 Abby Dennis

God, as we give our gifts to you we also give our hearts. In recognition your passion, we dedicate our lives to you. These offerings are just one example of that dedication. We pray that these may be used to serve your children all over the world; to lift up and restore, to bring dignity to those who have lost. We have been blessed; through these gifts, we pray that we are blessings to the world. 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 "The Church's One Foundation" Amy Crousore
Wesley/Dicke

EMMAUS HOMES AND RATE STANDARDIZATION

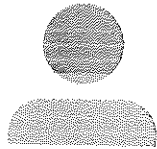
Emmaus Homes is a faith-based nonprofit organization that provides around-the-clock support to more than 200 adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities in their own homes in the community in Eastern Missouri.

The backbone of Emmaus' mission are the essential healthcare workers known as **Direct Support Professionals**. DSPs are **interdisciplinary professionals** who assist people with disabilities so they can live an independent life.

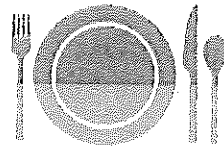
Unfortunately, at current state funding levels, community providers cannot afford to pay **Direct Support Professionals** a **competitive living wage**, which has created a workforce crisis marked by critically high turnover and vacancy rates.

Direct Support Professional Crisis in Missouri

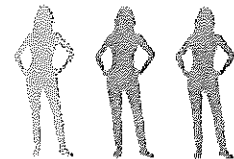
52% access a form
of government
assistance



32% utilize
SNAP benefits



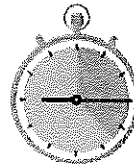
31% enrolled
in Medicaid



Job vacancy
rate is **20%**



38% leave within
first year



DSP turnover is
56%



Sign up to get Emmaus Advocacy updates:
www.EmmausHomes.org/advocacy

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Acolyte: Kennedy Lucas
Ushers: Jason Schoeneberg
Greeters: Jolene Kirchhoff
Technology Booth:
Hospitality: Audrey Lasley
Council Steward: Jessica Lucas

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP:

Worship Leader: Darren Lasley
Acolyte: Lil Smith
Ushers: Mahree Skala
Greeters: Anne Heine
Technology Booth:
Hospitality: Connie Loveless
Council Stewards: Lorry Dreier/Mahree Skala



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CUCC SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The CUCC Scholarship Fund is accepting applications for the 2021-2022 school year. If you will be in college this fall, pick up an application in the church office. *All applications are due by April 1.*

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL WITH PASTOR RICK

Join Pastor Rick at 9:00 in the Sanctuary each Sunday for Adult Bible Study! We are working on a 6-week Sunday School Series on "Your Bible— The Study Begins." This introductory Bible course has much to offer everyone. We have had great crowds, and the class has been well received. Come join us Sunday mornings during Lent at 9:00 in the Sanctuary!

SUNDAY SCHOOL DURING LENT – FEBRUARY 21-MARCH 28, 2021

Preschool through High School Youth are celebrating each Sunday in Lent with a special Lent program organized and created by Lena Muench and Gina Pierson during the Sunday School hour, 9:00-10:00 a.m. Pre-registration for children and youth will be required in order to provide supervision and a safe, healthy environment. Click here to register: [Lenten Sunday School](#)

LUNCH BUNCH WITH CHRISTINE MSEKE

Join us for Lunch Bunch this Thursday! Our speaker will be Christine Mseke, who will be talking about her time in an African Refugee Camp, and her journey to the United States with her family. Christine and her family have been an important part of our church family for many years; and she has an amazing story to share! All are welcome! Come at noon. You can bring a dish to share, or bring a sack lunch. We will practice social distancing and wear masks.

EASTER LILIES

Help decorate the Sanctuary for Easter! To purchase a lily in honor or memory of a loved one, use the enclosed envelope. All orders must be in to the church office by Monday, March 29. Lilies may be brought home after the 10:30 Easter Service

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sun	3/21	<i>EMMAUS HOMES SUNDAY– CINDY CLARK HERE</i> <i><u>Lenten Bible School Program</u></i> Worship (in person and livestream)	9:00am 10:30am
Mon	3/22	Staff Meeting Confirmation Clergy Personnel Committee	10:15am 6:00pm 7:30pm
Tue	3/23	Membership & Care Ministry Team	6:30pm
Wed	3/24	Book Study- "The Last Week"	6:30pm
Thu	3/25	Lunch Bunch with Christine Mseke	12:00pm
Sat	3/20	Fellowship Hall booked all day– Pinewood Derby	
Sun	3/28	<i>Palm/Passion Sunday</i> <i><u>Lenten Bible School Program</u></i> Worship (in person and livestream)	9:00am 10:30am

Columbia UCC Prayer List

Please keep in your prayers this week...

Ed Rollins and Jess Wolfe... baby due any day now!
Dean Barry... recovering well from stroke
Beth Schoeneberg... health issues (Jason's mother)
Mary Rinne... living with cancer (Donna Marsh's daughter)
Donna Wilmsmeyer... hospitalized; complications from pneumonia
Esther Rollins... health issues (Ed's mother)
Amy... challenges in life (April Rothweiler's friend)
Jonathan Schultz... recovering from broken shoulder
Juanita Zeiler... on hospice (Mari Ann Keithahn's mother)
Ardith Wilson... on hospice (Mark Wilson's mother)
Sharon Tiemann... on hospice (April Rothweiler's Aunt)

All who are suffering from COVID-19 virus and other viruses
All who are on the front lines, serving those with COVID-19

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

Health Issues:

Deborah Heather (Edie Diehl's niece);
Finn Price (Tricia's nephew); Jason Wilhoit (Vena Long's friend);
Christine Mseke; Christie O'Very; Nathan Schnell;
Gary Johnson... recovering from non-Hodgkins lymphoma (Kelly Smith's father)
Dennis Froeschner... anticipating knee replacement surgery
Irene Hurst... living with cancer (Sue & Cliff Beckman's friend)

Living in Care Facilities:

Bea Gordon, Neal Sprick, Gary Ehrhardt, Mark Brumbach, Vernie Blank

Serving us in the military:

Alexander & Christopher Tennill, Jeffrey Sanderson
James Walker (Don Helmreich's nephew)
Thomas Zumalt (Shirley Lawler's grandson)
Tim Isom, Tyler Gibson (Oberles' friends);
Daisia Baker (Isaiah's cousin); Cole Long (Vena's grandson)

UCC/DOC Global Ministries Missionary of the Week:

Brigitte Eale... serving in Kenya

Pregnancies in our church family:

Ed Rollins & Jess Wolfe- (due 3/23)

2020 Confirmation Class (Confirmation on delay until...?):

Lilly Jaberg, Hazel Keithahn, Brandon Lavelly

2021 Confirmation Class:

Zabibu Kibaro, Kennedy Lucas, Addison Melton,
Abby Dennis, Brandon Schoeneberg, Sadie Tummons

What Wondrous Love Is This

John 19:17; Rev. 5:13

19th century, United States; alt.
First published in Mercer's Cluster, 1836

1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul! O my soul! What
2 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing, to
3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and

won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is
God and to the Lamb, I will sing; To God and to the
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on! And when from death I'm

this! that Christ should come in bliss to bear the heav-y cross for my
Lamb who is the great I Am, while mil-lions join the theme, I will
free, I'll sing and joy-ful be, and through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing

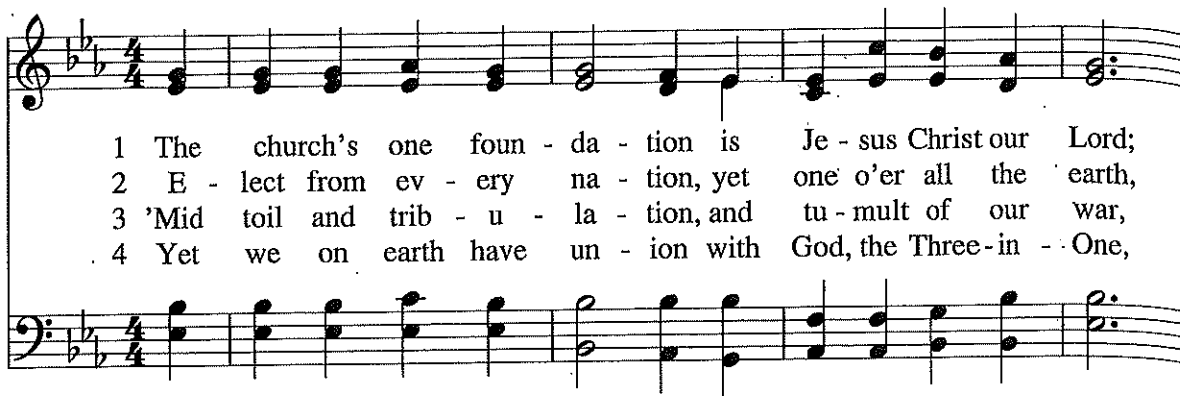
soul, for my soul, to bear the heav-y cross for my soul!
sing, I will sing; while mil-lions join the theme, I will sing.
on, I'll sing on, and through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on!

This anonymous folk hymn, with its modal (dorian) tune, has appeared in many versions. William Walker, compiler of Southern Harmony, one of the most important nineteenth-century tune books in the United States, lived and died in Spartanburg, South Carolina.

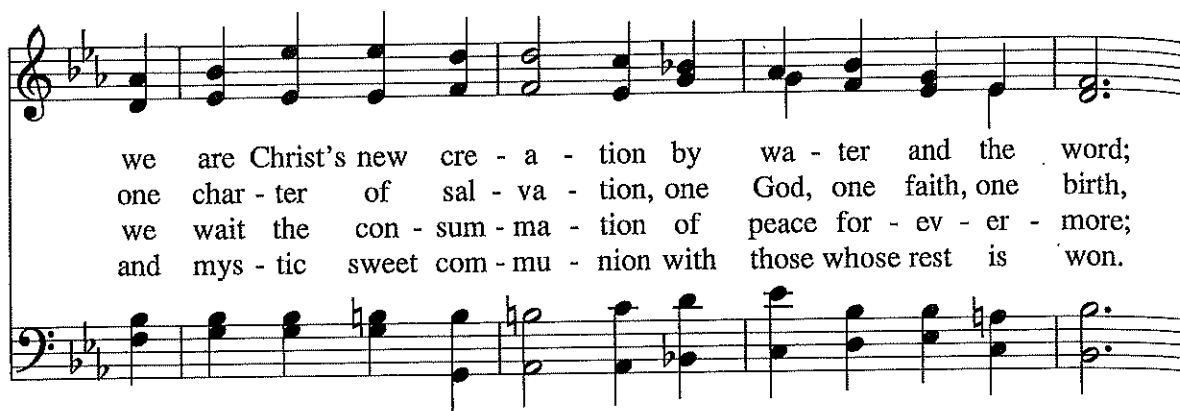
Tune: WONDROUS LOVE 12.9.12.9.
(CHRISTOPHER)

Appendix to Wm. Walker's Southern Harmony, c. 1843
Harm. The New Century Hymnal, 1993

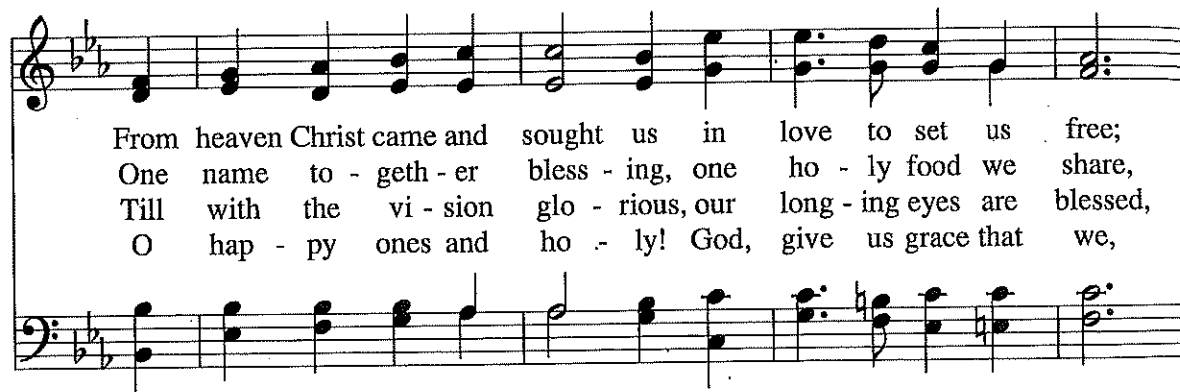
The Church's One Foundation

*Eph. 2:13-22; 4:4-6; 1 Cor. 3:11**Samuel J. Stone, 1866; alt.*


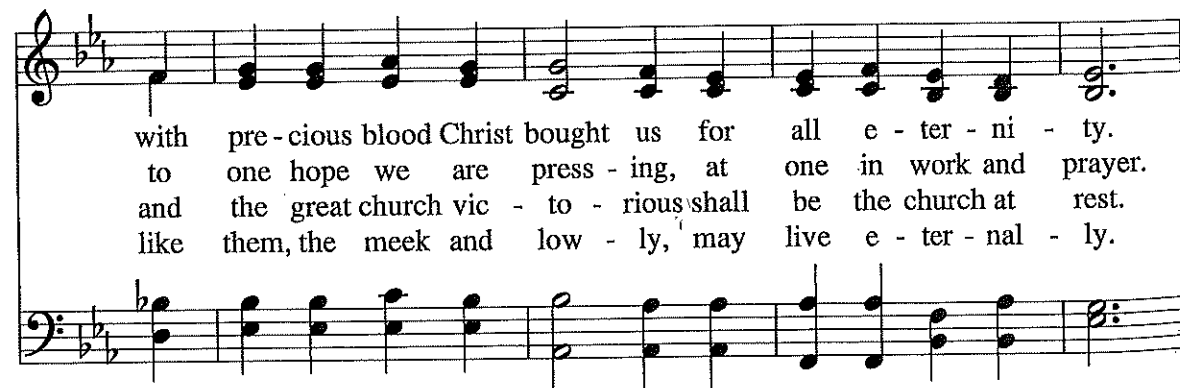
1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ our Lord;
 2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3 'Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion, and tu - mult of our war,
 4 Yet we on earth have un - ion with God, the Three-in - One,



we are Christ's new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word;
 one char - ter of sal - va - tion, one God, one faith, one birth,
 we wait the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.



From heaven Christ came and sought us in love to set us free;
 One name to - geth - er bless - ing, one ho - ly food we share,
 Till with the vi - sion glo - rious, our long - ing eyes are blessed,
 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! God, give us grace that we,



with pre - cious blood Christ bought us for all e - ter - ni - ty.
 to one hope we are press - ing, at one in work and prayer.
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
 like them, the meek and low - ly, may live e - ter - nal - ly.

Like the writings of Ambrose many centuries earlier, this hymn was born out of a doctrinal dispute. The young priest Samuel J. Stone composed twelve hymns on the articles of the Apostles' Creed in support of those reacting against nontraditional views of biblical scholarship. This hymn is based on article nine, "the holy Catholic Church."

Tune: AURELIA 7.6.7.6.D.
 Samuel S. Wesley, 1864