

Columbia United Church Of Christ

January 27, 2019
The Body of Christ



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*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*

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10:30 Worship

“Christian Unity”

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

*“...the heavens are telling the Glory of God;
The firmament proclaims God’s handiwork...”
-Psalm 19:1*

Welcome and Greetings

Pastor Rick

Prelude

Amy Crousore & Harry Beckett

“When Morning Guilds the Skies”

Joseph Barnby

Carrying in the Light of Christ

Grace Evans

*Call to Worship *(based on 1Corinthians 12)*

Jessica Lucas

Sisters and brothers in Christ,
together we are more than the sum of our individual parts.

**We are the feet of Christ,
Walking in Solidarity with those who are in distress!**

We cannot do the work of Christ alone;
We each bring unique gifts.

**We are the hands of Christ,
Doing God’s work, lifting up those who have been diminished!**

Standing in unity, we accomplish much;
Divided, Christ’s ministry through us is diminished.

**We are the Body of Christ;
Enabling each one’s gifts to the benefit of the world!**

We are one body with many members;
Diverse and unique gifts brought together to God’s Glory.

**We are one body of Christ; and individually members of it.
As one body, we gather in faith to lift up God in praise!
Come, let us worship God together!**

*Opening Hymn “The Church’s One Foundation”

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*Opening Prayer

Jessica Lucas

**God of unity; we remember Jesus’ prayer in the Garden of
Gethsemane when he prayed that we may all be one; united not in**

our philosophies or our opinion, but united as your followers, participating in your mission in the world. We confess, loving God, that often we are weighed down by things that keep us away from living into your prayer for unity: pride, arrogance, nationalism, partisan division and greed. Forgive us for these sins of separation and teach us to strive for unity; joined together in common goals to further your mission of justice in the world. Teach us to serve, united in our devotion to you. In Jesus' name we pray; Amen.

*Assurance of Blessing

Pastor Rick

Jesus prayed that all may be one; united in servanthood, united in God's quest for justice and reconciliation. Even when we fall short of this prayer, God graciously forgives us and blesses us. This is the Good News; we all belong to God, forgiven and beloved. Praise 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

*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

“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”
(Sung as children return to their seats)

**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.**

Living our Mission

“Eden Theological Seminary”

Pastor Rick

*Next Sunday will be “Seminary Sunday.” We will have a guest here
from Eden Seminary, and will receive a special offering for Eden.*

Anthem

Celebration Singers

“Celtic Psalm of Praise” *by Lloyd Larson*
Lea Marienfeld, flute

Epistle Lesson:

1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Jessica Lucas

*Paul, writing to the church in Corinth, reminds them that though they
are diverse, they are all one; united in their diversity through Christ.
He uses the human body as an analogy to get this point across.*

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Gospel Lesson: Luke 4:14-21 Jessica Lucas
After being tempted by the Devil, Jesus returns to his hometown to begin his ministry there. He took the scroll of Isaiah, reading Isaiah's call to repentance and justice. Jesus challenges his community to embody that call in their lives as well, and work for justice. He tells them, "today, this scripture (the call to justice) has been fulfilled."

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Sermon "The Body of Christ" Pastor Rick

*Meditation Hymn "Great is Your Faithfulness" #423
ushers will collect prayer request cards during 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. 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
"Christians, We Have Met to Worship" Cindy Berry

*Response "We Praise You, O God" #420

**We Praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring!
We lay it before you, we kneel and adore you;
We praise your Holy Name, glad praises we sing!**

*Prayer of Dedication Jessica Lucas
Accept these gifts, we humbly pray, O God. May they be used to bring new life and new hope to your children; and to strengthen all in times of challenge. We give these gifts as a portion of ourselves; dedicated and devoted to you. Use them to further your mission of unity and love in your creation. Amen.

*Closing Hymn "We Are One in the Spirit" (insert)

2019 Congregational Meeting

Call to Order	Judi Privitt
Declaration of Quorum	Brent Marcks
Inclusion Presentation	James Melton & Steve Keithahn
Council Motion to Affirm Open and Affirming/Inclusion Covenant	Judi Privitt

Discussion

Congregational Vote

Moderator will entertain a motion to Recess until after lunch

*Benediction

*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

“Allegro”

Amy Crousore
John Stanley

Proposed 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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TODAY IN WORSHIP:

Greeters: Stefanie Zimny & Pat Forward
Ushers: Mark & Jane Duncan
Sound Booth: Peter Jaberg
Worship Leader: Jessica Lucas
Hospitality: Kim Oberle
Acolyte: Grace Evans

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP:

Greeters: Stefanie Zimny & Audrey Lasley
Ushers: Brent Marcks & Charlie Marks
Sound Booth: Phil Dennis
Worship Leader: Emmanuel Kibaro & Kaden Lucas
Hospitality: Sue Ann Schaefer & JoEllen Grace
Acolyte: Abby Dennis

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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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2018 GIVING STATEMENTS; 2019 OFFERING ENVELOPES

2018 Giving Statements are available on the table in the Coat Room; 2019 offering envelopes are on that table as well. If you have any questions about your statement or if you did not receive offering envelopes and would like some, contact Doug Privitt, Recording Treasurer.

CUCC PANCAKE BREAKFAST FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

The CUCC Men's Fellowship Group will have their annual pancake breakfast on February 16, 2019 from 7:00-11:00am. This event is our annual fundraiser for Habitat for Humanity. Come and eat pancakes, sausage and more; enjoy the fellowship of your church family and lift up the work of Habitat while you are eating! CUCC youth will help serve. Don't miss out!

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sun	1/27	<i>Annual Congregational Meeting/Chili Cookoff</i>	
		Sunday School	9:00am
		Fellowship Time	9:30am
		Worship	10:30am
		Congregational Meeting	11:30am
		Chili Cookoff	12:00pm
		Congregational Meeting Resumes	12:30pm
Mon	1/28	Staff Meeting	10:00am
		Council Meeting	6:30pm
Tue	1/29	Quilters	9:00am
Wed	1/30	Chapel Ringers	6:30pm
		Confirmation	7:00pm
		Celebration Singers	7:30pm
Fri	2/1	HS Youth to dinner, play at Hickman HS	5:00pm
Sun	2/3	<i>Seminary Sunday</i>	
		Sunday School	9:00am
		Fellowship Time	9:30am
		Worship	10:30am
		Nurture & Education Team Meeting	12:00pm

The "gray bowl" collection at our Chili Cookoff this afternoon is to collect donations for Voluntary Action Center. VAC is one of the missions supported by CUCC. They provide support for people living at or below the poverty level by helping to provide healthcare needs, education, housing and utility assistance. Over the past few years, CUCC has collected over \$5000 at our Chili Cookoffs to benefit VAC! Look for the "gray bowls" on your table at lunch.

Columbia UCC Prayer List

Please keep in your prayers this week...

The Family and friends of Doris Shephard... on their loss

Hal Shaffer... hospitalized this past week with infection

Gary Sieckman... anticipating back surgery 2/25

Linda Batson... recovering from knee replacement surgery 1/14

Sue Beckman... living with cancer, next surgery 1/30

Sylvia Mosberger... recovering from surgery 12/18 (Pastor Rick's aunt)

Christy O'Very... living with cancer, health issues (Kim Oberle's aunt)

Janet Shepard... thyroid problems

Kathy Kindrick... living with cancer (Janet's mother)

Mike Provin... living with cancer, health issues (Lois' son)

The Remeika/Johnson Family... Challenges in life

Delaney Hartgrove... premature baby (Lauren's friend)

Those battling addiction & depression

Dale Gregory; Christine Mseke, Bea Gordon; Tommie Wildmon;

Gary Ehrhardt; Lasley Family; Margaret Abbott;

Amy Koerkenmeyer & the Malicoat Family;

Health Issues:

Deborah Heather (Edie Diehl's niece);

Nathan Schnell and Wendy (Isaiah's friends);

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:

April & Parker Rothweiler;

UCC/DOC Global Ministries Missionary of the Week:

Rosalind Gnat, serving in Germany

2019 Confirmation Class:

Noah Bredehoeft; Ember Piersee;

Andie Rapp; Ryan Schoeneberg; Sophie Schupp