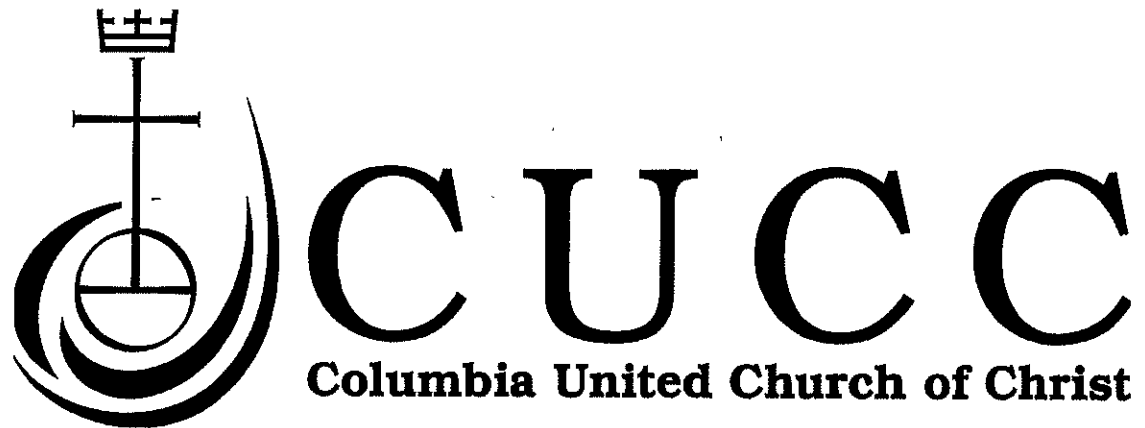


Columbia United Church Of Christ

October 3, 2021
World Communion Sunday



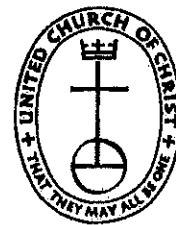
CUCC Open and Affirming/Inclusion Covenant:

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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October 3, 2021

10:30 Worship

"One World"

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

*"...vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity,
And I have trusted the LORD without wavering..."*

-Psalm 26:1

Gathering Music

Welcome and Greetings

Pastor Rick

Prelude

"I Come With Joy"

Amy Crousore

Southern Harmony

Carrying in the Light of Christ

*Call to Worship *(based on Psalm 26)*

Pat Forward

To You, O God, we lift up our souls.

O God, we put our trust in You.

Your Steadfast love is before our eyes.

We walk in faithfulness to you.

We reject the ways of the wicked;

The company of evildoers and hypocrites.

We gather around your altar

Singing loud songs of thanksgiving.

Tell of God's wonderful deeds!

Tell of God's glory and love!

Redeem us, O God, and be gracious to us!

We gather together to bless the LORD!

Come, let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn "Sing a New World Into Being"

(insert)

*Opening Prayer

Pat Forward

God of strength and endurance, we know that you are present with us in all of life's challenges. You give us comfort, strength and companionship no matter what we go thru in life; yet there are times when we blame you for life's challenges instead of turning to you for strength. Teach us to have faith in adversity and forgive us when we fail. Lift up our hearts, that we may sing loud songs of thanksgiving, singing a new world into being. In Jesus' name we pray; Amen.

*Assurance of Blessing

Pastor Rick

God's World is a world where every diverse gender, class and race brings their rainbow gifts and colors to God's limitless embrace. We are called to lift up and affirm the integrity of this world. But even when we neglect to do so, when we repent we are open to God's grace. You are Blessed, You are Beloved, You are Forgiven. 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!*

Reception of New Members

Invitation & Questions of the Candidates

Pastor Rick

*Welcoming Our Newest Members

Kristy Odneal

By God's grace, you have always been one with us in the body of Christ, the church universal. Today we rejoice in your pilgrimage of faith that has brought you to this time and place. We give thanks for every community of faith that has been your spiritual home, and we celebrate your presence in this family of faith. Let us, the members of Columbia United Church of Christ, stand and express our welcome:

We welcome you with joy into the common life of this church. We give thanks to every church that has been your home on your spiritual journey, for the formation they have given you. 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.

Welcome and Presentation

Pastor Rick

Mission Moment

"Neighbors in Need"

Dorothy Vetter

Anthem

Old Testament Lesson Job 1:1; 2:1-10 Pat Forward

The Book of Job is a parable about faith in the midst of worldly suffering. The character of Job in this parable represents all who faithfully suffer, not blaming God but relying on God for strength and turning to God, not away from God. Job is faithful no matter the adversity that comes his way. (pg. 392)

Gospel Lesson Mark 10:2-16 Pat Forward

In a difficult passage, Jesus condemns divorce, calling it adultery. However, Jesus wisdom was revealed when he provoked his followers; so we have to ask what the deeper wisdom is in this passage. The Pharisees were trying to trick him with this question; but his condemnation was really about calling them to task. (pg. 822)

*Hymn "In Christ there is no East or West" #394

Sermon "Faith in Adversity— Worldwide" Pastor Rick

*Hymn "I Come with Joy" #349

*Invitation to Communion

Luke the Evangelist wrote of our Risen Savior who, at table with two of his disciples, took bread; blessed it; broke it and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened and they recognized the Risen Christ in the breaking of the bread. As we symbolically join together in this sacred memory meal on this World Communion Sunday, it is in community with all of our brothers and sisters from above and below the equator; from the North and from Down Under; with our friends in Chiapas and Congo and Jamaica and Japan and Thailand; from every time zone all across the globe. As today's sunlight inches across land and sea, one Global Beloved Community gathers to celebrate their unity. All are invited, all are welcome, all are called. Come, join in the feast!

In company with all believers in every time and beyond time; in the presence of the Triune God whom we worship and adore; with hearts open to all of creation and to our brothers and sisters all across the globe, we come together in one world communion to know the risen Christ through this symbolic meal.

Communion Prayer; Pastoral Prayer & Silent Prayer; Invocation

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to God in unison with each other, with Christians everywhere, and with the poor and suffering neighbors in need, in whom we daily meet the living Christ.

Thank you, God, for the ministry of Jesus: for gladness in this bread and cup; for love that cannot die; for peace the world cannot give; for joy in the company of friends; for the glory of creation; and for the mission of justice you have made our own.

Give us the gifts of this holy communion; oneness of heart, love for our neighbors both globally and locally, peace in our families, forgiveness of our enemies, the will to serve you every day, and Eternal Living in this life and beyond. Now we gather with our brothers and sisters all across the globe, offering the prayer you taught us...

*The LORD's Prayer *(sung by the congregation, led by James Melton)*
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.

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 "Finale - Presto ma non troppo" Amy Crousore
Josef Haydn

*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 Pastor Rick

*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 "Aberyswyth" Amy Crousore
Joseph Parry

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Acolyte:
Ushers: Jo Ellen Grace
Greeters: Linda Neale
Technology Booth: Carissa Graves & Brent Marcks
Hospitality: Stefanie Zimny
Council Steward: Lorry Dreier & Stefanie Zimny



NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP:

Worship Leader: Lena Muench
Acolyte: Danielle Dreier
Ushers:
Greeters: Jessica Lucas
Technology Booth: John Graves & Carissa Graves
Hospitality: Brent Marcks
Council Stewards: Brent Marcks & Tricia Price

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FOOD BANK FUN WITH CUCC

For fun, fellowship, and service to help the hungry, please join the CUCC Food Bank shift on Tuesday October 26, 5:30-7:30 pm. Please sign up in advance. If you have questions or trouble signing up, contact Mahree Skala at skalamahree@yahoo.com or 573-474-2195. CUCC works at the Food Bank every fourth Tuesday, and select other days. Come join the fun!

LODO PUMPKIN PATCH DAY – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

LODO Pumpkin Patch will be on Friday, October 15. The LODO Pumpkin Patch is created on the North Hill of CUCC. We will have various game and activity stations where we need assistance from CUCC volunteers to help run the activities so that our staff can focus on keeping students safe. Email Erika Maltsbarger at littleonesdayout@yahoo.com if you are interested in volunteering at this fun event. You can also stop by Erika's office to let her know!

TRUNK OR TREAT– RSVP NEEDED

CUCC Trunk or Treat will be Saturday, October 30 from 1:00-3:00pm on the CUCC Parking Lot! We are looking for Trunks, we are looking for Treats, and we are looking for trunk or treaters! Share the news with your friends. Due to COVID protocols and logistics, reservations are needed for all participants. Please RSVP by clicking on the link that was in the Friday email. For more information, talk to Lena Muench or Helen Schultz.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sun	10/3	WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY	
		Sunday School	9:00am
		Fellowship Time	10:00am
		Worship (in person and livestream)	10:30am
Mon	10/4	NO Staff Meeting	10:15am
		Confirmation	6:00pm
Tue	10/5	Quilters	10:00am
		Outreach & Advocacy Team Meeting	6:30pm
Wed	10/6	NEW Confirmation Class (2022)	6:00pm
		Joyful Ringers (Bell Choir) Practice	6:30pm
		Celebration Singers (Choir) Practice	7:30pm
Thu	10/7	CUCC Young Adults @ Noodles	6:00pm
Fri	10/8	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED– APRIL OFF	
		Pastor Rick's Day off	
Sun	10/10	REV. JIM ELLIOTT'S ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY	
		Sunday School	9:00am
		Fellowship Time	10:00am
		Worship (in person and livestream)	10:30am
		Reception for Rev. Jim Elliott	11:30am

RECEPTION FOR REV. ELLIOTT– ALL ARE INVITED TO STICK AROUND AFTER WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY FOR A LIGHT LUNCH/RECEPTION FORTO CELEBRATE THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS ORDINATION!

Columbia UCC Prayer List

Please keep in your prayers this week...

The family and friends of Gene Koepke... on their loss
The family and friends of Christie O'Very... on their loss
Jim Gordon... health issues (Edie Diehl's friend)

Caitlin Herritt... serious health issue (David and Ann Stone-Meyer's daughter)
Sheila Colin... anticipating shoulder surgery (Jackie Asher's cousin)
Sharon Tiemann... on hospice (April Rothwieler's Aunt)
Linda Lau... living with cancer (Alisa Lau-Sieckman's sister)
Mary Rinne... living with cancer (Donna Marsh's daughter)

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

Health Issues:

Deborah Heather (Edie Diehl's niece); Helen Schultz
Finn Price (Tricia's nephew); 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

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:

Jeffrey Mensendiek... serving in Japan

2021 Confirmation Class:

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

2022 Confirmation Class (starting this Wednesday):

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

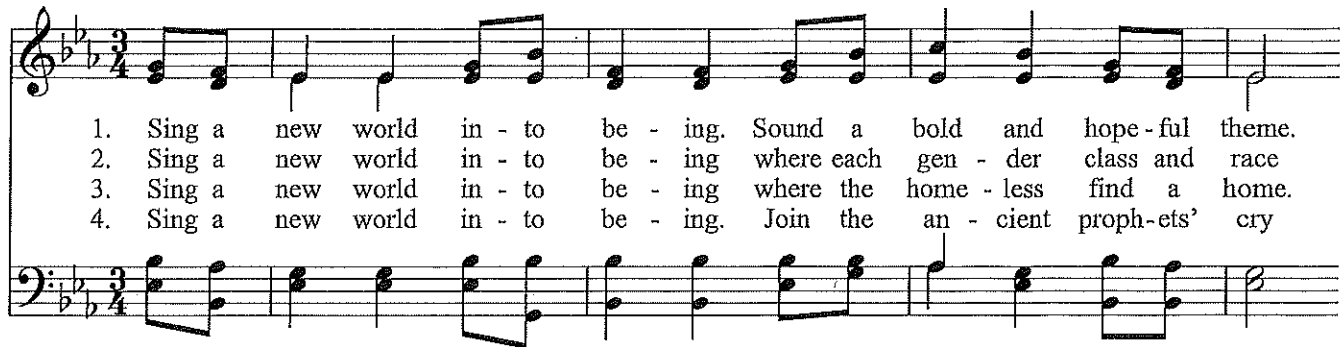
through service and outreach

Sing a New World into Being

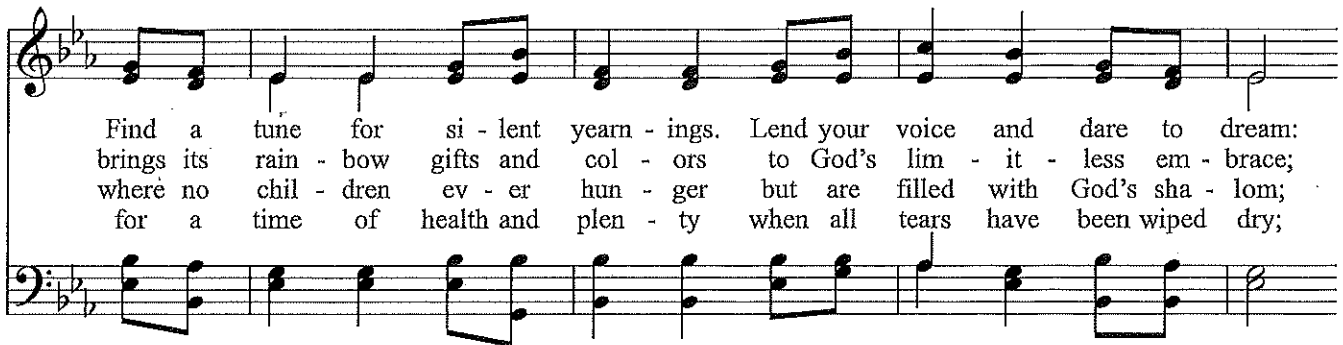
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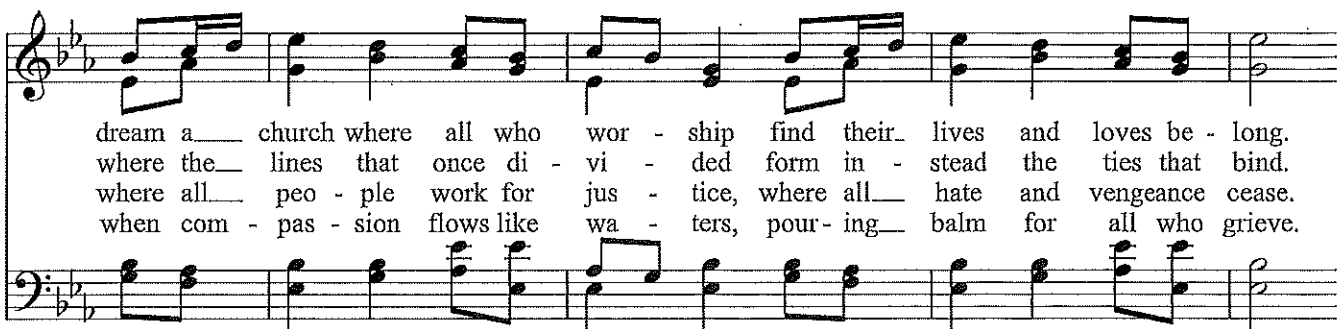
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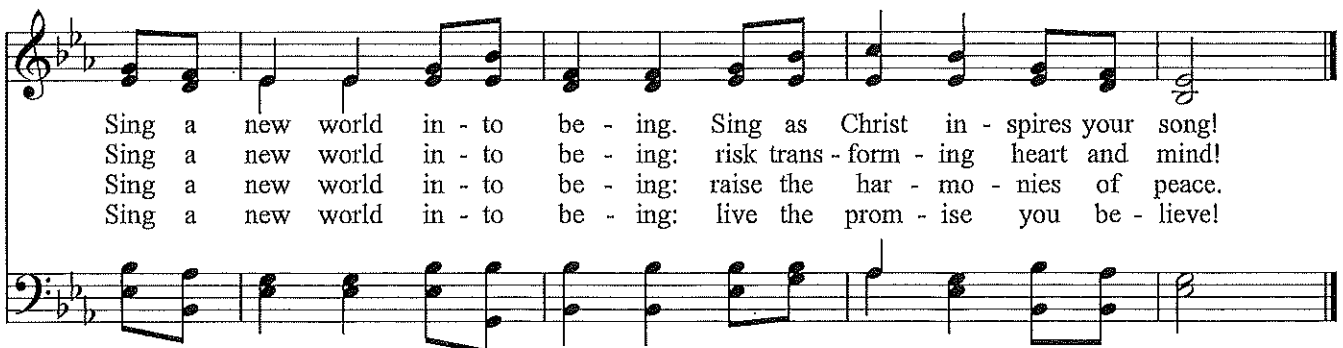
1. Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Sound a bold and hope - ful theme.
2. Sing a new world in - to be - ing where each gen - der class and race
3. Sing a new world in - to be - ing where the home - less find a home.
4. Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Join the an - cient proph - ets' cry



Find a tune for si - lent yearn - ings. Lend your voice and dare to dream:
brings its rain - bow gifts and col - ors to God's lim - it - less em - brace;
where no chil - dren ev - er hun - ger but are filled with God's sha - lom;
for a time of health and plen - ty when all tears have been wiped dry;



dream a church where all who wor - ship find their lives and loves be - long.
where the lines that once di - vi - ded form in - stead the ties that bind.
where all peo - ple work for jus - tice, where all hate and vengeance cease.
when com - pas - sion flows like wa - ters, pour - ing balm for all who grieve.



Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Sing as Christ in - spires your song!
Sing a new world in - to be - ing: risk trans - form - ing heart and mind!
Sing a new world in - to be - ing: raise the har - mo - nies of peace.
Sing a new world in - to be - ing: live the prom - ise you be - lieve!

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In Christ There Is No East or West

*1 Cor. 12:13; Gal. 3:28; Eph. 2:14-22**John Oxenham, 1908; alt.
St. 3, Laurence Hull Stookey, 1987*

1 In Christ there is no East or West, in Christ no South or North;
 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where their high com - mu - nion find;
 3 In Christ is nei - ther Jew nor Greek, and nei - ther slave nor free;
 4 In Christ now meet both East and West, in Christ meet South and North;

But one com - mu - ni - ty of love through - out the whole wide earth.
 God's ser - vice is the gold - en cord close - bind - ing hu - man - kind.
 For men and wom - en live in God, and all are kin to me.
 One joy - ous, true com - mu - ni - ty through - out the whole wide earth.

Singer and composer Harry T. Burleigh studied at the National Conservatory of Music from 1892 to 1896. He is recognized as the first African-American composer to employ spirituals in concert arrangements. This tune is named after the rector of St. George's Episcopal Church in New York City, where Burleigh served as baritone soloist for more than fifty years.

Tune: McKEE C.M.
 African-American melody
 Arr. Harry T. Burleigh, 1939
 Alternate setting: ST. PETER

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At the beginning of the twentieth century, many hymns were written to promote the oneness of humanity. English Congregationalist John Oxenham's text is a lasting example. His great concern for those in military service led to the publication of a World War I hymnbook that exceeded eight million in circulation.

Tune: ST. PETER C.M.
 Alexander R. Reinagle, 1836
 Alternate setting: McKEE

I Come with Joy

Brian Wren, 1968; rev. 1982, 1994

Unison

1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are
 3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
 4 And thus we meet, and bet - ter know the Pres - ence, ev - er
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, in friend - ship we will

free, The life of Je - sus to re - call, in
 fed, The new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
 ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
 near, And join our hearts and sing with joy that
 stay, And go with joy to love the world and

love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
 Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.
 strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
 Christ is ris - en here, that Christ is ris - en here.
 live the way we pray, and live the way we pray.

One of Brian Wren's most widely published texts, this hymn was originally written to "sum up a series of sermons on the meaning of communion. It tries to use simple words to suggest important theological themes."

Tune: DOVE OF PEACE 8.6.8.6.6.
 Southern Harmony, 1835
 Arr. Austin Lovelace, 1977