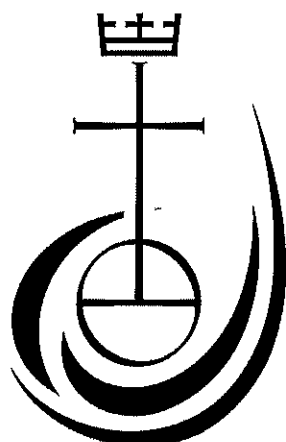


Columbia United Church Of Christ

October 30, 2022
"Reformation Sunday"



CUCC
Columbia United Church of Christ

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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Of Christ*



October 30, 2022 10:30 a.m.

"Reformation Sunday"

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

Welcome and Greetings

Pastor Dale

Prelude

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

Amy Crousore

arr. by Johann Pachelbel

Carrying in the Light of Christ

*Call to Worship

(responsive "Bread for the Journey" - Ruth Duck)

Shelly Adams

Leader: We have come to affirm our historic faith.

People: **To worship the God of our mothers and fathers.**

Leader: We have come to remember God's benefits to us,
the living.

People: **To respond in thanksgiving to the mighty works of
God in our lives.**

Leader: We have come to affirm our trust in the God of all
futures,

People: **To whose name be blessing and honor,
Glory and power forever and ever. Amen**

*Gathering Hymn

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

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*Opening Prayer

Shelly Adams

Living God, we pray this day that the church universal may heed the gospel call to be people understanding of others, patient toward those with whom we differ, and loving toward those who are outwardly and inwardly hostile to us and to others. May we celebrate Reformation Sunday as a re-forming of those truths which are the building blocks not of dissent, but of reconciliation and peace. May the ministry of our family of faith and of the church universal family be enlivened by the image of Jesus Christ, the life of the Church and the world! Amen and Amen.

*Assurance of Blessing Pastor Dale

God never gives up on us! Never! God's love is so vast, so pervasive, so persistent, so powerfully present that no one can escape this Divine Love forever. The blessing of God rests with each of us and all of us, likely a gentle rain that falls refreshing the earth and our lives. Thanks be to God!

*Prayer Response "Spirit of the Living God" No. 283

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

*Sharing God's Gift of Peace Pastor Dale

May God's Peace be with you!

And also with you!

Children's Time "A Farewell Gift" Pastor Dale

Response: "Halle"
(Sung as children return to their seats)

Interpretive Dance "The Butterfly" Sofia Marienfeld-Crenshaw

Epistle Reading 2 Thessalonians 1: 1-4, 11-12
As the Apostle Paul greets the church at Thessalonica, he does so with "grace and peace," giving thanks for their faith "growing abundantly and the love of every one (of you) for one another is increasing." Through his prayers, the congregation is encouraged in every good work of faith in order that God will be glorified.

Sermon Hymn "Renew Your Church" No. 311

Gospel Reading Luke 19: 1-10
Only the Gospel writer Luke tells this story of Zacchaeus, the chief tax collector of Jericho—at that time a wealthy and important town. Zacchaeus was at the top of his profession. He was rich, very rich. He was also miserable, despised and lonely. He was a "wee" man, as the children's song used to go. He encounters Jesus, and, well, you know the rest of the story. . . .

Shelly: Leading us in worship, ministering to us, individually and corporately, serving as preacher, mentor, teacher, comforter

Kristy: As Pastor Rick's season of sabbatical comes to an end
So, too, will our season with Pastor Dale

Shelly: We are grateful, Pastor Dale, for your ministry with us, for us, and among us

Kristy: We are grateful for the love you have shown our church and our community

Shelly: We are grateful for your presence and your gifts.

Kristy: As you move on to a new season
We trust that you will continue to bless others through your ministry
As you have blessed us here at Columbia United Church of Christ

Shelly: We send you away with blessings for you and your ministry
And blessings for your family who has generously shared you with us in this season!

Kristy: We ask your blessing on this congregation and on Pastor Rick and his family
As we welcome them back to our congregational life and ministry.

All: 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

"We Were Baptized in Christ Jesus"

Amy Crousore
arr by Ylvisaker/Linker

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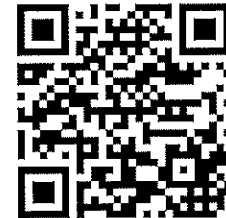
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TODAY IN WORSHIP:

Worship Leader: Shelly Adams
Acolyte:
Ushers: John & Brenda Muench
Greeters: Melba Shaffer
Technology Booth: Lorry Dreier & Brent Marcks
Hospitality: Melba Shaffer
Council Stewards: Sue Ann Schaefer & Tricia Price



NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP:

Worship Leader: Pat Forward
Acolyte: Aidan Pierson
Ushers: Charlie Marcks & Mike Rapp
Greeters: Jessica Lucas
Technology Booth: Brent Marcks & Dominick Lee
Hospitality: Doug & Judi Privitt
Council Stewards: Lorry Dreier & Brent Marcks

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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!

FAREWELL LUNCHEON FOR PASTOR DALE—TODAY

Please join us to say thank you and goodbye to Pastor Dale, TODAY, after the worship service in the gathering area. Light lunch items will be provided for this casual but meaningful celebration.

2022 CROP HUNGER WALK

Thanks for everyone's support of this year's Walk. As of 9/29 CUCC has collected \$3311.32. A good amount, but about \$700 short of our \$4000 goal. Donations can be made through Kindred Giving or by check to the Church through October 23. Contributions through the Walk website, can be made through Nov 1.

TURNING POINT

One of the many services Turning Point offers is a place for guests to shower. Turning Point is in need of hotel size toiletries- particularly soap and shampoo. Please place donations in the container in the coat room.

UPCOMING CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Please mark your calendars for a Congregational Meeting right after worship on SUNDAY, November 13. We will conduct both our Congregational Planning and Assessment Meeting (Visioning) and our Annual Budget Meeting to approve the CUCC 2023 Budget at that time.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sun	10/30	Reformation Sunday	
		Sunday School for all ages	9:00am
		Fellowship Time	10:00am
		Worship (in person and livestream)	10:30am
Tues	11/01	Quilters	10:00am
		Fellowship Hall Booked	4:30pm
Wed	11/02	100th Anniversary Committee Meeting	5:00pm
		Confirmation	6:00pm
		Chapel Bell Ringers practice	6:00pm
		Celebration Singers practice	7:00pm
		Confirmation	7:00pm
Sat	11/05	Fellowship Hall Reserved	1:00pm
Sun	11/06	Welcome Back Pastor Rick!	
		Daylight Savings Time Ends/All Saints Day	
		Men's Fellowship	7:30am
		Sunday School for all ages	9:00am
		Fellowship Time	0:00am
		Worship (in person and livestream)	10:30am

Columbia UCC Prayer List

Please keep in your prayers this week...

Ed Rollins (& family)... recovering from brain surgery
Bob Maltsbarger (Erika's husband)... health concerns
Holly Frieden... recovering from severe burns (Doug Privitt's friend)
The family of Andrea Waner . . . especially baby Millie in the NICU.
Troy Bentlage... recovering from a broken hip and COVID
Joan Bentlage... recovering from 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 Duermeyer; 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

Living in Independent Living Facilities:

Helen Graves

Serving us in the military:

Alexander & Christopher Tennill, Jeffrey Sanderson,
Dane Wilson, Aaron Dachroeden
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

*CUCC celebrates God's boundless love by:
Welcoming all God's Children;
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*

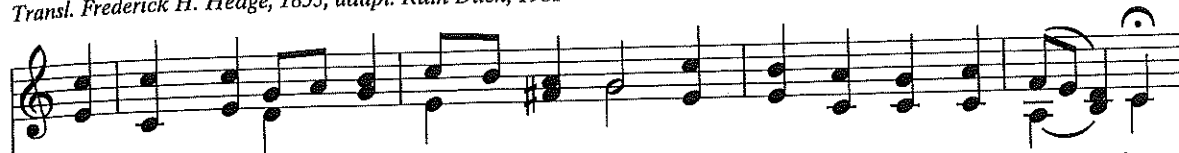
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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Ps. 46

Martin Luther, c. 1529

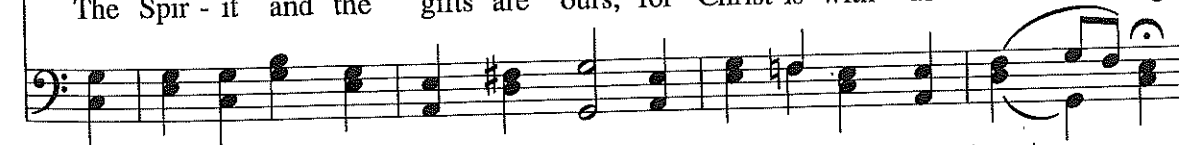
Transl. Frederick H. Hedge, 1853; adapt. Ruth Duck, 1981



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er fail - ing,
 2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be los - ing,
 3 And though this world with dev - ils filled should threat - en to un - do us,
 4 That word be - yond all earth - ly powers for - ev - er is a - bid - ing;



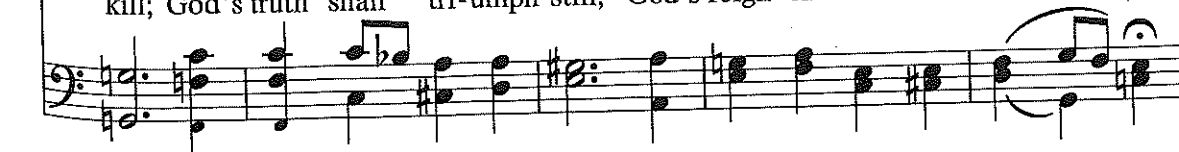
Our pres - ent help a - mid the flood of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing.
 But there is one who takes our side, the One of God's own choos - ing.
 We will not fear for God has willed the truth to tri - umph through us.
 The Spir - it and the gifts are ours, for Christ is with us sid - ing.



For still our an - cient foe does seek to work us woe with craft and pow - er
 You ask who that may be? Christ Je - sus sets us free! With might - y power to
 The powers of e - vil grim, we trem - ble not for them; their rage we can en -
 Let goods and kin - dred go, this mor - tal life al - so; the bod - y they may



great, and armed with cru - el hate, on earth with - out an e - qual.
 save, vic - to - rious o'er the grave, Christ will pre - vail tri - um - phant.
 dure, for lo, their doom is sure: one lit - tle word shall fell them.
 kill; God's truth shall tri - umph still; God's reign en - dures for - ev - er.



There is speculation that this psalm paraphrase was written in 1527 when Martin Luther's friend was burned at the stake, or in 1529, when Lutheran German princes protested the revocation of their liberties. It has been translated into more than fifty languages.

Tune: EIN' FESTE BURG (isometric) 8.7.8.7.6.6.6.6.7.
 Martin Luther, c. 1529
 Harm. The New Hymnal for American Youth, 1930; alt.
 For another version, see 440

Matt. 5:13-16; Luke 11:1-4; Mark 12:28-34

Kenneth L. Cober, 1960; alt.

1 Re - new your church, its min - is - tries re - store: both to serve
 2 Teach us your word, re - veal its truth di - vine; on our path
 3 Teach us to pray, for you are ev - er near; your still voice
 4 Teach us to love, with strength of heart and mind, each and all—

and a - dore. Make us a - gain as salt through-out the land,
 let it shine. Tell of your works, your might - y acts of grace;
 let us hear. Our souls are rest - less till they rest in you;
 hu - man-kind! Break down old walls of prej - u - dice and hate;

and as light from a stand. 'Mid som - ber shad - ows
 from each page show your face. As you have sent your
 this is life, full and true. Be - fore your pres - ence
 leave us not to our fate. As you have loved and

of the night, where greed and ha - tred spread their blight, O
 Christ to save, in love to tri - umph o'er the grave, O
 keep us still that we may find for us your will And
 given your life to end hos - til - i - ty and strife, Your

Kenneth L. Cober grew up in Puerto Rico, the son of missionary parents. Cober has served churches in many states and has written several books about church education.

Tune: ALL IS WELL 10.6.10.6.8.8.8.6.
 Traditional English melody

send us forth with power en-dued. Help us, God, be re-newed.
 let our hearts with love be stirred. Help us, God, know your word.
 seek your guid - ance ev - ery day. Teach us, God, how to pray.
 grace we must be mind-ful of: Teach us, God, how to love.

We Love Your Realm, O God

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Timothy Dwight, 1801
 Adapt. Lavon Bayler, 1992

Ps. 26:8

1 We love your realm, O God, all plac - es where you reign.
 2 We love your church, O God, for Christ has giv - en life
 3 We rec - og - nize, with pain, that we have not a - chieved
 4 Yet Christ, our friend and guide, con - tin - ues to for - give,

We rec - og - nize, with hope and joy, the world as your do - main.
 To form com-mu - ni - ties of love that seek to heal our strife.
 The faith-ful - ness of our re - solve when we at first be - lieved.
 De - liv - ering us from our mis-takes, in - vit - ing us to live.

5 Beyond our bro-ken-ness,
 we seek to know your ways
 Of deep com-mu-nion, sol-emn vows,
 and hymns of love and praise.

6 We know your truth will last.
 We trust your reign is sure.
 E-quip us for those dai-ly tasks
 that help your world en-dure.

This poem by Lavon Bayler, a United Church of Christ minister, was inspired by and modeled after the oldest commonly used American hymn, "I Love Thy Kingdom" by Timothy Dwight.

Tune: ST. THOMAS S.M.
 Williams' New Universal Psalmist, 1770

In the Midst of New Dimensions

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Julian Rush, 1985; alt.

Gen. 9:12-16; Exod. 13:21-22; Num. 14:14

C C/B F C F Am7 Dm7 G7sus4 G7

1 In the midst of new di-men-sions, in the face of chang-ing ways,
 2 Through the flood of starv-ing peo - ple, war-ring fac-tions and de - spair,
 3 As we stand a world di - vid - ed by our own self - seek - ing schemes,
 4 We are man and we are wom-an, all per-sua-sions, old and young,
 5 Should the threats of dire pre-dic-tions cause us to with - draw in pain,

C C/B F C F Am7 Dm7 G C

Who will lead the pil - grim peo - ples wan-dering in their sep - arate ways?
 Who will lift the ol - ive branch-es? Who will light the flame of care?
 Grant that we, your glob - al vil - lage, might en - vi - sion wid - er dreams.
 Each a gift in your cre - à - tion, each a love song to be sung.
 May your blaz-ing phoe-nix spir - it res - ur - rect the church a - gain.

Refrain

Am Em F C F C G7 C Dsus4 D7 G7sus4 G7 Am

God of rain-bow, fier - y pil - lar, lead-ing where the ea-gles soar, We your

Em F C F C/E F C/E F C/E Dm7 G7 C

peo-ple, ours the jour-ney now and ev - er, now and ev - er, now and ev - er - more.

Julian Rush, an ordained minister in the United Methodist Church, has spent more than a decade as director of the Colorado AIDS Project. He wrote this hymn on the theme of "diversity" for a meeting of the Rocky Mountain Conference (United Methodist).

Tune: NEW DIMENSIONS 8.7.8.7. with refrain
 Julian Rush, 1985
 Arr. The New Century Hymnal, 1994