

Welcome To CCUCC

*Our mission is to welcome all into a loving, progressive faith community,
knowing our actions reflect our Christian values:
to question and explore beliefs and assumptions,
to strive for peace and justice, and
to care actively for the earth, our community, and one another.*

The 8 Points of Progressive Christianity

progressivechristianity.org (2003 Version)

By calling ourselves progressive Christians, we mean we are Christians who...

1. Have found an approach to God through the life and teachings of Jesus;
2. Recognize the faithfulness of other people who have other names for the way to God's realm, and acknowledge that their ways are true for them, as our ways are true for us;
3. Understand the sharing of bread and wine in Jesus' name to be a representation of an ancient vision of God's feast for all peoples;
4. Invite all people to participate in our community and worship life without insisting that they become like us in order to be acceptable (including but not limited to):
 - believers and agnostics,
 - conventional Christians and questioning skeptics,
 - women and men,
 - those of all sexual orientations and gender identities,
 - those of all races and cultures,
 - those of all classes and abilities,
 - those who hope for a better world and those who have lost hope,
 - without imposing on them the necessity of becoming like us;
5. Know that the way we behave toward one another and toward other people is the fullest expression of what we believe;
6. Find more grace in the search for meaning than in absolute certainty, in the questions than in the answers;
7. Form ourselves into communities dedicated to equipping one another for the work we feel called to do: striving for peace and justice among all people, protecting and restoring the integrity of all God's creation, and bringing hope to those Jesus called the least of his sisters and brothers;
8. Who recognize that being followers of Jesus is costly, and entails selfless love, conscientious resistance to evil, and renunciation of privilege.

We acknowledge that we stand on land stolen from Native and Indigenous people. We are on Nimipuu land and we recognize that they were the first people here.

We acknowledge that we benefit from the prosperity of the United States, which was built on the labor of enslaved people.

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Outreach Team: Nancy Mack

THIS WEEK AT CCUCC

Monday, February 13

Justice & Witness 6:30pm

Wednesday, February 15

Office closed

Thursday, February 16

Congregational Care 11am

Shared Ministry 1pm



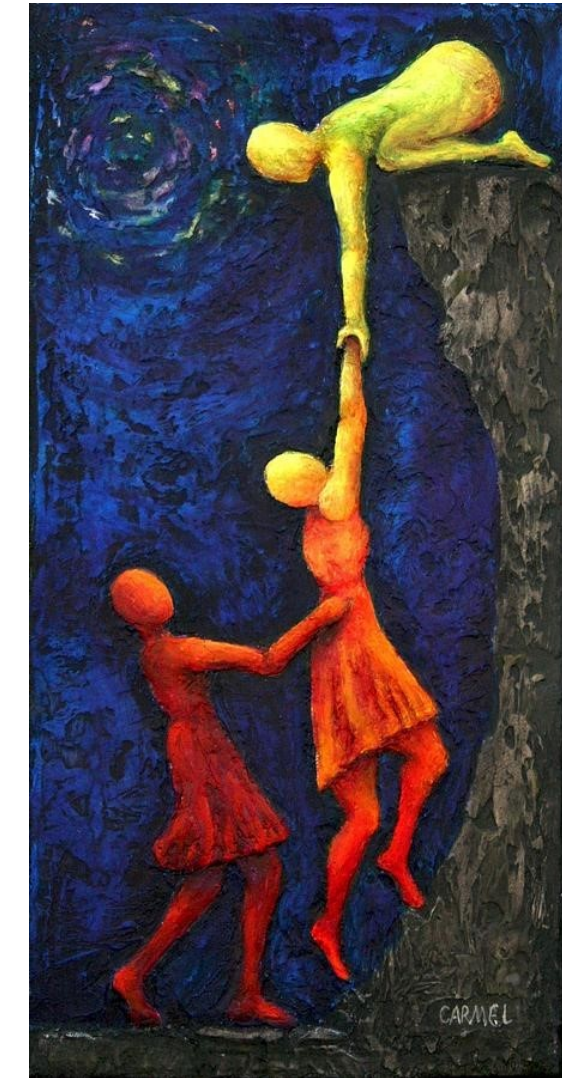
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An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

February 12, 2023

10:30 am



"Love one another and help others to rise to the higher levels, *simply by pouring out love*. Love is infectious and the greatest healing energy."

-Sai Baba



If you do not wish to keep this bulletin, please recycle it. Thanks.

Gathering of All Who Seek God's Presence

Prelude *Sonata in E Major L. 23* Kathy Spencer
Domenico Scarlatti

Welcome Gary Jewell
God is with you.
And also with you.

Announcements/Joys/Concerns

***Invitation to Worship:** Daniel McCloskey

Some of us come exhausted.
We come to rest.
Some of us come to connect to a deeper truth.
We come to learn.
Some of us are hungry.
We come to be fed.
Some of us feel numb.
We come to pray.
Some of us feel broken.
We come to be healed.
We gather around you today, O Christ.
Teach us, feed us, hear us, heal us.
Grant us your peace. Amen

***Hymn** *To You, O God, All Creatures Sing* #17

Prayer for Wholeness

Holy God,
you call us together
to reflect on your Word
and our life in your world.
Be with us now
as we sing and pray together,
that we may hear your voice
and understand your way.
This we pray
through Jesus, the Christ. Amen.

(Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Grace

Anthem *Bridge Over Troubled Water* CCUCC choir
Simon & Garfunkel
arr. Clyde Sechler

Connecting with Sacred Stories

Silent Meditation

Ancient Witness Luke 18:35 - 19:10 Daniel McCloskey

As Jesus approached Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. When he heard the crowd going by, he asked what was happening. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by."
He called out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"
Those who led the way rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"
Jesus stopped and ordered the man to be brought to him. When he came near, Jesus asked him, "What do you want?"
"Lord, I want to see," he replied.
Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has healed you." Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus, praising God. When all the people saw it, they also praised God.

***** (pause)

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.

When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down now. I must stay at your house today." So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.

All the people saw this and began to mutter, "He has gone to be the guest of a sinner."

But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount." Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

Sermon *Call Out; Pay Attention* Gary Jewell

***Hymn** *We Yearn, O Christ, for Wholeness* #179

Responding to Live Faithfully

Prayers of the People & the Jesus Prayer

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever.
Amen †

-The Lord's Prayer Adapted in A New Zealand Prayer Book

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory *Blackbird* Samuel Leeper
John Lennon & Paul McCartney

For the month of February, the loose cash offering will go to support PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays).

Sent with Love into the World

***Hymn** *Like a Tree beside the waters* #313

***Benediction/Passing of the Peace**

***Postlude**

*Please stand if you are able.

† As an inclusive and open faith community, we attempt to convey gender inclusive images, terms, and language of God.

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Announcements

The Council has decided we will continue wearing masks in worship for the time being.

COFFEE HOUR: You are encouraged to stay for coffee and treats and fellowship after worship today. Just head across the entryway to Brewster Hall and join us for coffee hour.

Movie Nights at the Church-Join us for our next movie night on **February 19th** with the next movie being Green Book.. Movies start at **5:15** in Brewster Hall. See the weekly update or bulletin board for full details.

If you would like to help the two refugee families, see the flyer in the narthex.

We will be participating in an ongoing collection of food items needed for our local food banks, Community Action Center (CAC) and Pullman Child Welfare. See the weekly update or flyer in the narthex for details.

Meals on Wheels Volunteer needed for February 24. See weekly update for details and sign up information. Questions: contact Wanda Terry at 509-595-0450 or wandaterry@yahoo.com.

Potluck Plus, Thursday Feb. 23rd at 5:30 pm. in Brewster Hall. There will be short talk given by Asa Clark entitled "Farming on the Palouse: Past, Present...and Future???" See the weekly update for details.