

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.

Community Congregational

United Church of Christ

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THIS WEEK AT CCUCC

Sunday, February 5

Hymnsing at Bishop Place 3pm

Wednesday, February 8

Office closed

Thursday, February 9

Jeanne Holstad's memorial 11am



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An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

February 5, 2023

10:30 am



"Live each season as it passes; breathe the air, drink the drink, taste the fruit, and resign yourself to the influences of each." — Henry David Thoreau



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

Gathering of All Who Seek God's Presence

Prelude *A Time For All Things* Ginny Hauser
Douglas E. Wagner Kathy Spencer

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

Announcements/Joys/Concerns

***Invitation to Worship:** Charlene Toews
Here we are Lord, your church, uncertain on an ever-changing journey.
Show us your path.
Here we are, longing to know your way.
Guide us to follow you.
Here we are, desiring only your comfort.
Help us to hear your voice.
Here we are, God; lead us according to your will.

***Hymn** *Sing Praise to God Who Has Shaped* #22

Prayer for Wholeness

Creating God, for morning light and fresh beginnings, we give thanks. Comfort those who awaken today with heavy hearts. Bless those who struggle to make ends meet. Protect those in danger or distress. Inspire us with a longing to do your will in each moment. We pray in the name of the One who makes all things new. Amen.

(Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Grace

Anthem *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing* CCUCC choir
Robert W. Thygerson

Connecting with Sacred Stories

Silent Meditation

Ancient Witness Ecclesiastes 3: 1-13 Charlene Toews

For everything there is a season, **and a time for every matter under heaven:** a time to be born, **and a time to die;** a time to plant, **and a time to pluck up what is planted;** a time to kill, **and a time to heal;** a time to break down, **and a time to build up;** a time to weep, **and a time to laugh;** a time to mourn, **and a time to dance;** a time to throw away

stones, **and a time to gather stones together;** a time to embrace, **and a time to refrain from embracing;** a time to seek, **and a time to lose;** a time to keep, **and a time to throw away;** a time to tear, **and a time to sew;** a time to keep silence, **and a time to speak;** a time to love, **and a time to hate;** a time for war, **and a time for peace.**

What gain have the workers from their toil? I have seen the business that God has given to everyone to be busy with.

The Creator has made everything suitable for its time; moreover God has put a sense of past and future into their minds, **yet they cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end.** I know that there is nothing better for them than to be happy and enjoy themselves as long as they live; **moreover, it is God's gift that all should eat and drink and take pleasure in all their toil.**

Sermon *Blessed Seasons* Gary Jewell

***Hymn** *We Are Not Our Own* #564

Celebration of Communion

Invitation

Prayers of the People & the Jesus Prayer

Our Mother and Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen. †

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

After Communion Prayer

Responding to Live Faithfully

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory *Let It Be* Samuel Leeper
John Lennon & Paul McCartney

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

Sent with Love into the World

***Hymn** *You Are the salt of the Earth* #181

*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.

Hymnsing is today at Bishop Place at 3pm in the Social Room.

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 Volunteers Feb 16-28 Volunteers are needed February 16-28 to deliver meals to Pullman seniors during lunch time. 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.