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 Nimíipuu 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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THIS WEEK AT CCUCC

Monday, May 29

Memorial Day, Office Closed

Wednesday, May 31

Office closed

Thursday, June 1

Search Committee 7pm

Friday, June 2

Brown Bag Conversations 12pm

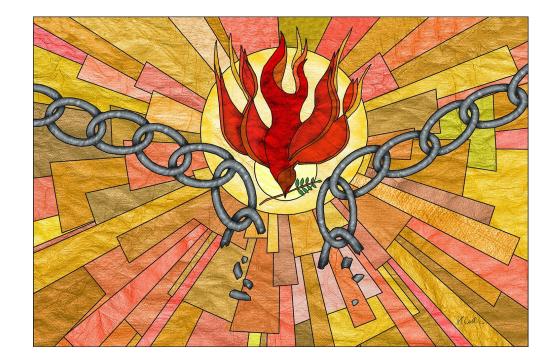


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An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

May 28, 2023

10:30 am



Your sons and your daughters will prophesy....

The old will se dreams....

The young will see visions.



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

Gathering of All Who Seek God's Presence

Prelude You'll Never Walk Alone

Ginny Hauser, flute

Rogers & Hammerstein

Gary Jewell

God is with you.

And also with you.

Announcements/Joys/Concerns

*Call to Worship:

Welcome

Tricia Grantham

Come, Holy Spirit, come! Come, Holy Spirit, come!

Holy Spirit,
making life alive,
moving in all things,
root of all being,
cleansing the cosmos of every impurity,
effacing guilt,
anointing wounds.
You are lustrous and praiseworthy life,
you waken and re-awaken everything that is. (Hildegard of Bingen)

*Hymn

Wakantanka Taku Nitawa #3 Many and Great, O God, are Your Works

Prayer for Wholeness:

Sometimes we are like the disciples so long ago:
We huddle in fear of what others will think,
Of what others will do,
Of what God will do.
Sometimes we are like passive bystanders:
Indifferent or "frozen" by what we don't understand,
In ignorance we tear down what is sacred to another
We wait too long until we are sure it is okay.

Yet always God is with us: Nudging us like a gentle breeze, Stirring us with flames of hope Speaking to us with words engraved in our hearts. In silent prayer, let us offer God our confession and our hope.

(Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Grace

Anthem My Lord, What A Morning arr. Dick Averre

CCUCC choir

Connecting with Sacred Stories

Ancient Witness

Acts 2: 1-18 (insert)

Tricia Grantham

Sermon

What New Thing Might God Have Us Imagine?

Gary Jewell

*Hymn Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

#286

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

Sun Of My Soul Kathy Spencer, piano arr. Kurt Kaiser

For the month of May, loose offerings will go to IAC, Intersectional Advocacy Coalition of Whitman County.

Sent with Love into the World

*Hymn

This Is My Song

#591

*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 wearing masks is optional during worship.

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.

Meals on Wheels: Volunteers are needed for Meals on Wheels deliveries June 16-July 8. If you're able to volunteer this summer, please sign up with the link in the weekly update. Any questions, contact Wanda Terry at wandaterry@yahoo.com or 509-595-0450 (call or text).

Food Collection bins: To help clean up the narthex, the food collection bins will be moved to the west wall (parking lot wall) of the Julius Room in the back of the Sanctuary. Thank you so much for helping provide food for those in need.

We are hosting Family Promise of the Palouse for two weeks and need volunteers **June 4-11.** See the weekly update for the link. Find the signup with Suzanne's email. Her email is <<u>skopansakwa@gmail.com</u>>. We're also in need of frozen chicken nuggets, grape and strawberry jam, and bread. Check the label to make sure the item is dairy-free. Let Suzanne or Lynn know if you want to be included on the email list. Thank you for supporting this program!

June 11th, The Ability Experience Bicyclists are coming and the UCC has offered to host them with a meal and a spot on the floor to place a bedroll to sleep. The Congregation is welcomed to join in a spaghetti feed and dessert social at **6:00 on Sunday, June 11th**. Austin Gothard, the project manager for the trip, will be the featured speaker after dinner. Bring a dessert to share (there will be ice cream) and come learn about how this group of young men provide philanthropy for people with special needs by biking across the US.