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 Core Values of Progressive Christianity

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

- 1. Believe that following the way and teaching of Jesus can lead to experiencing sacredness, wholeness, and unity of all life, even as we recognize that the Spirit moves in beneficial ways in many faith traditions.
- 2. Seek community that is inclusive of all people, honoring differences in theological perspective, age, race, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, class, or ability.
- Strive for peace and justice among all people, knowing that behaving with compassion and selfless love towards one another is the fullest expression of what we believe.
- Embrace the insights of contemporary science and strive to protect the Earth and ensure its integrity and sustainability.
- Commit to a path of life-long learning, believing there is more value in questioning than in absolutes.

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We acknowledge that we stand on land stolen from Native and Indigenous people. We are on Nimiipuu 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.

Assistive listening devices are available in the back of the sanctuary.

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2023/24 Church Council

Moderator: Susan Poch Moderator-Elect: Darin Paulson Treasurer: Carl Hauser Clerk: Frances Clark Finance and Stewardship Team: Herb Hill Building and Grounds Team: Gary Schell Faith Development Team: Sandy Evenson Congregational Life Team: Charla Chaudhry Congregational Care Team: Mary Carloye Shared Ministry Team: Charlene Toews Justice and Witness Team: Ginny Hauser Outreach Team: Nancy Mack

THIS WEEK AT CCUCC

Wednesday, January 24

Office closed

Thursday, January 25

Search Committee 7 pm

Friday, January 26

Queer Quest 6-9 pm



Community Congregational United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

January 21, 2024

10:30 am



You don't have to have it all figured out to move forward. Just take the next step.



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

Gathering of All Who Seek God's Presence

Centering Moment

Prelude Whispering Hope
Winner/Cook

Welcome Gary Jewell

Announcements/Joys/Concerns

*Call to Worship

Megan Guido

Brothers and sisters welcome.

Here we are. Just as we are. No pretense. No pretending.

We come to this place to be reminded of the love and grace that holds the world together.

We come to this place to be reminded of the hope and perseverance that moves forward.

We come because we long for a taste of the beloved community that doesn't want to settle into complacency.

We come because we are welcomed as we are.

We come to be reminded of the good news toward which the world is called toward.

We come because without you there is no us.

We come because you, O God, are our rock and our salvation.

In gratitude, let us worship and sing praise to the Source of our being.

*Hymn

In the rifted Rock I'm resting

(insert)

Call to Wholeness

You call us, Wander of seashores and sidewalks,

Inviting us to sail out of our smug harbors into uncharted waters of faith

To wander off from our predictable paths to follow You

into the unpredictable footsteps of the kingdom;

To leave the comfort of our homes and accompany You into the uncomfortable neighborhoods we usually avoid.

As we wait in our simple, sometimes crazy, constantly uncertain live, Speak to us, Spirit of Grace:

Speak to us of that hope which is our anchor;

And of that peace which is our rock:

And of that grace which is our refuge.

(Speak to us now in our moment of silence)

(Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Grace

Special Music

Trust in the Lord Roc O'Connor

Connecting with Sacred Stories

Ancient Witness

Mark 1: 14-20

Megan Guido

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Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of people." And immediately they left their nets and followed Jesus. And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. And immediately Jesus called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

Sermon The Blessing of Not Knowing Gary Jewell

*Hymn You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

Responding to Live Faithfully

The Lord's Prayer: (using paraphrased wording)

Loving, eternal Presence.

You are with us, yet beyond us.

And your name is Holy.

We look for Your kingdom, and seek to do Your will.

On earth as it is in heaven.

We ask that You give us this day...enough for what we need.

And we praise You that you forgive our sins.

And we ask that we might, in turn, have the strength and grace to forgive others.

And lead us, we pray, away from temptation, and deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom and power and glory forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Hymn of Promise

For the month of January the loose cash offering will go to support Latah Recovery Center.

Sent with Love into the World

*Hymn

We Walk by Faith

(insert)

*Benediction/Passing of the Peace

*Postlude

Trust in the Lord

*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 during worship is optional.

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.

If you have been attending CCUCC regularly and/or have covenanted for the year, and you would like to make the leap and be an "on-the-books" member of CCUCC, please contact Pastor Gary (509 280 4466) so a meeting can be scheduled.

Pullman Child Welfare's Food Bank is in need of donations. Best time to donate is Saturday mornings 9-11am or donations can be dropped off at the food bank drop box outside their office at 108 NW Stadium Way.

CAC Food Bank Hours: closed Monday and Tuesday; Wednesday 3-6pm; Thursday 11am-1pm; Friday 1-4pm. Appointments encouraged. Sign up by phone at 509-595-4141 or visit their website at www.cacwhitman.org/foodbank/

See the weekly update for information about a mission trip to Costa Rica February 24-March 3, 2024.

Lori Ammons, who runs Cooper's Legacy is having a for-profit pop up shop during January downstairs in Room 103. See the weekly update for days and times.

We will have a Congregational Meeting during worship on Sunday, January 28th.

Tuesday Feb. 13th Shrove Tuesday/Mardi Gras Pancake Feed and Talent Show **5:30-8:00pm** in Brewster Hall. Come for pancakes and all the trimmings and think of a serious or silly talent to share. It will be a fun night of whimsy and fellowship. Volunteers to run the dishwasher and help clean up counts as talent too (and is much appreciated).