

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.
3. 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.
4. Embrace the insights of contemporary science and strive to protect the Earth and ensure its integrity and sustainability.
5. Commit to a path of life-long learning, believing there is more value in questioning than in absolutes.

“Core Values of Progressive Christianity”

2022 Edition

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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.

Community Congregational

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Congregational Care Team: Mary Carloye

Shared Ministry Team: Charlene Toews

Justice and Witness Team: Ginny Hauser

Outreach Team: Nancy Mack

THIS WEEK AT CCUCC

Monday, April 15

Stewardship & Finance 10:30 am

Wednesday, April 17

Office closed

Thursday, April 18

Congregational Care 1:30 pm

Palouse Citizen Climate Lobby 5:30 pm

Search Committee 7 pm

Friday, April 19

Outreach 9:30 am

Game Night 6 pm



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An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

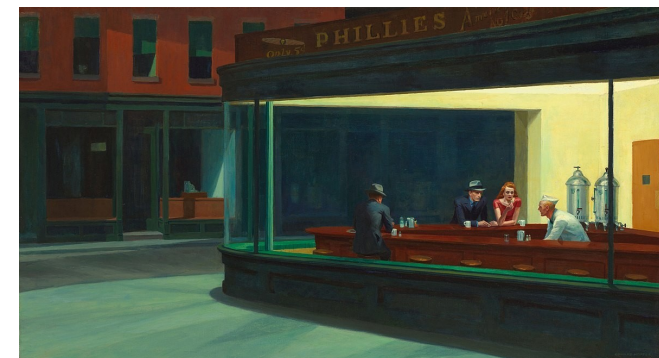
April 14, 2024

10:30 am



Tables are one of the most important places of human connection. We're often most fully alive to life when sharing a meal around a table.

-Berry Jones



Loneliness is proof that your innate search for connection is intact.

-unknown source



Laughter is brightest in the place where food is.

-Irish proverb



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

Gathering of All Who Seek God's Presence

Centering Moment

Prelude *Let Us Break Bread Together* Ginny Hauser, flute
arr. Kurt Kaiser

Welcome

Announcements/Joys/Concerns

***Call to Worship:** Corey Johnson

Let's pray together:
We need your presence on the long road, Lord.
The road between fear and hope,
the road between the place where all is lost
and the place of resurrection.
Like the disciples walking the road to Emmaus,
we are in need of your company!
Jesus, stand among us, in your risen power,
let this time of worship, be a hallowed hour.

***Hymn** *We Are Your People* #309

Call to Wholeness:

Great Mystery..... Spirit of Life... Presence of the Risen One... and
Companion on the Emmaus road...
Hear the silent prayers of our hearts.
Help to still the chatter of our internal worries and second guesses
Still the stormy ocean of our anxiety.
We offer you our stories of loss and despair,
So that our loss maybe infused with wisdom, and our despair with hope.
Reassure our hearts that we are not alone.
And open our minds to ancient eternal truths....
As we walk the journey, with these and other faithful companions you
have sent our way...

(Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Grace

Anthem *Be Not Afraid* CCUCC choir
Bob Dufford

Connecting with Sacred Stories

Ancient Witness Luke 24: 13-31 Corey Johnson

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus,
about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these
things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus
himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from
recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each

other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of
them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger
in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in
these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things
about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before
God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him
over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he
was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third
day since these things took place." ²²Moreover, some women of our group
astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did
not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed
seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were
with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they
did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how
slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not
necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his
glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to
them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the
village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going
on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost
evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with
them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke
it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized
him; and he vanished from their sight.

Sermon *Jesus Among Us* Gary Jewell

***Hymn** *A Place At the Table* (insert)

Responding to Live Faithfully

The Lord's Prayer:

**Eternal Spirit, Live-Giver, Pain-Bearer, Love-Maker, Source of all that
is and that shall be,**

Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven:

**The praise 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. Amen**

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory *Face To Face* Kathy Spencer, piano

For the month of April the loose cash offering will go to support The Fig Tree.

Sent with Love into the World

***Hymn** *You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore* #173

*Benediction/Passing of the Peace

***Postlude** *Nimrod* from "Enigma Variations"
Edward Elgar

*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 for at least the past six months 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.

Environmental Faith In Action group is seeking new members. Contact Lynn
McCullough for more information.

First monthly Game Night will be **Friday, April 19th at 6 pm**. See weekly update
for details.

Movie Night is **tonight at 5pm**. We will be showing Smoke Signals.

Vote Forward letter writers are encouraged to return any letters that you have at
home and to pick up another packet from Ginny. Packets will be available each
Sunday at church. We have a goal of 4000 letters thanks to the generous donation of
stamped envelopes from MaryAnn Boehmke. We CAN make a difference in this all
important election. Let's do it!

April 26th Fundraiser to benefit Meals on Wheels & Senior Chore Service The
Pullman Community Council on Aging invites you to their first annual "Night Out"
fundraiser on Friday, April 26, from 6:30-9pm at Regency Retirement Community.
Tickets are \$35, which includes drinks, appetizers, and a live dollar auction.
Proceeds will benefit Meals on Wheels and Senior Chore Service programs. To buy
tickets or for details on how to donate an item or service for the auction, visit Home
- Pullman Community Council on Aging.

Move Out Pitch In- Help the Environment Help Sacred Heart and
other churches to save clothes, food, bedding and other material
from being thrown in the landfill by residence hall students at WSU. We
will collect from three dorms at WSU, from **April 25 to May 4**. We will
go once a day to pick up and bring the material to Sacred Heart. It will
be sorted and distributed to agencies such as Boost, Pioneer Center,
Family Promise and refugees. We need people to help collect from the
dorms. For more information contact Tim Paulitz fungustim@gmail.com
or Francy Bose francy@pavlasbose.com. A link to the Sign Up Genius is
in the weekly update and a QR code to sign up is on the bulletin board.

PNC Women's Retreat is May 17-19 at N-Sid-Sen. See the weekly update and the
bulletin board for more information.

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