

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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2023/24 Church Council

Moderator: Susan Poch

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Clerk: Frances Clark

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Building and Grounds Team: Doug Hindman

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Justice and Witness Team: Ginny Hauser

Outreach Team: Nancy Mack

THIS WEEK AT CCUCC

Tuesday, April 23

Building & Grounds 1:30 pm

Wednesday, April 24

Office closed

Council meeting 7 pm

Thursday, April 25

Search Committee 7 pm

Friday, April 26

Paul Schroeder memorial 3 pm

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



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An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

April 21, 2024

10:30 am



*We are here to heal, not harm. We are here to love, not hate.
We are here to create, not destroy.*

-A.D. Williams



Gathering of All Who Seek God's Presence

Centering Moment

Prelude *Morning Has Broken* Kym Dye

Welcome

Announcements/Joys/Concerns

***Call to Worship:** Susan Poch

In the name of God, who creates planets, the name of Jesus Christ, born on planet Earth, and the name of the Spirit who envelopes our planet.
Holy! Holy! Holy! Earth is filled with God's presence.
Christ, we come to into your presence, today, to worship in this sanctuary called Earth,
Holy! Holy! Holy! Earth is filled with your presence.

***Hymn** *This Is The Day* #84

Call to Wholeness:

Creator of the earth and all living things, maker of the sky and the air and the breath of life,
God of all that is: we are your servant people, created out of the clay of the earth itself.
We forget that we are your creatures and we play at being gods.
We neglect the work of stewardship that you have provided for our occupation and our joy.
We have used, abused, and abandoned those things that you have created for your delight.

You have created a fragile world in a perfect and delicate balance.
Thinking too much of our own importance we have upset the balance.

We ask your forgiveness, Holy and Righteous God.
We yearn to join with the mountains and valleys, the rocks and the birds of the wild ocean waters in singing your praises.

(Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Grace

Anthem *Pray For the Wilderness* CCUCC choir
#557

Connecting with Sacred Stories

Ancient Witness Psalm 148 Susan Poch

Praise the CREATOR! Praise the CREATOR of the heavens; praise God in the heights!
Praise God, sun and moon; praise God, all you shining stars!
Praise God, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

Let them praise the name of the CREATOR, for God commanded and they were created.
Praise the CREATOR from the earth, all creatures of the deep,
fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling God's command!
Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!
Rulers of the earth and all peoples! Young men and women alike, old and young together!
Let them praise the name of the CREATOR, for God's name alone is exalted;
God's glory is above earth and heaven.

Sermon *To God All Creations Sings* Gary Jewell

***Hymn** *Thank You, God* #557

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 *For The Beauty of the Earth* Ginny Hauser, flute
John Rutter

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

Sent with Love into the World

***Hymn** *This Pretty Planet* (insert)
Chapin & Forster

*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 McCollough for more information.

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!

A Celebration of Life for Paul Schroeder will be held at CCUCC on **Friday, April 26th at 3 pm**. Everyone is invited to attend.

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.

Saturday, May 11, 9 -11am CCUCC will be hosting a suicide prevention and intervention technique training. See the weekly update or bulletin board for more information.

On **May 6th**, CCUCC will host an interfaith dialogue with Brother Moji Agha (Sufi, Iranian American). His topic will be entitled "Peace and Truth Heals". We will begin with a potluck at **5:30** with talk and dialogue beginning at **6:00**.

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