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.

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2023/24 Church Council

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THIS WEEK AT CCUCC

Wednesday, May 1

Office closed

Thursday, May 2

Search Committee 7 pm

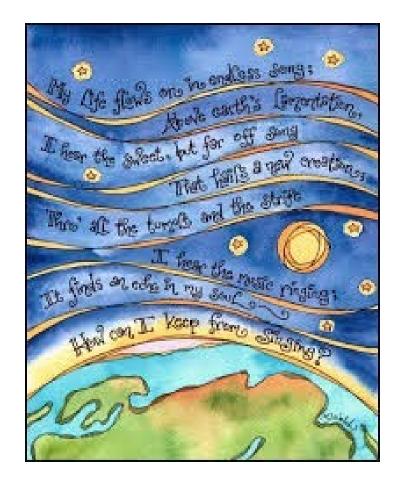


Community Congregational United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

April 28, 2024

10:30 am



"I'm a musician. I write songs. I just hope when the day is done I've been able to tear a little corner off of the darkness."

- Bono



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

Gathering of All Who Seek God's Presence

Centering Moment

Prelude

Sandy Evenson Welcome

Announcements/Joys/Concerns

Nancy Mack *Call to Worship:

We long for wholeness.

We hope for joy.

Sometimes both seem to elude us.

The deserts appear to be expanding,

and our journey feels lost in the wastelands.

Other times, both peace and joy surprise us.

They rekindle our hope that things will indeed come to flower.

Today we come with our personal challenges and joys –

Some of which we share with others.

And some we hardly dare mention even to God.

But God, who made us, knows us through and through.

And God, who knows us, loves us and wants us whole.

Let us be silent and then let us pray, listen, and sing

with this God who is with us in challenge and hope.

*Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth

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Call to Wholeness:

Holy God, we stand in your presence today. This is a day of new beginnings, a day for trusting your holy spirit, A day for considering the wisdom of the ages and the dreams and visions of your new world. We confess that fear is mixed with our hope. Even as we seek together your new work, we find ourselves clinging to the old and familiar. Embrace us in our hopes and fears, and set our feet on the path of new creation. Amen.

(Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Grace

Anthem A Time for All Things Douglas E. Wagner

CCUCC choir

Connecting with Sacred Stories

Ancient Witness Romans 5: 1-5

Nancy Mack

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Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Sermon Songs of Challenge and Hope Pam Larrett

*Hymn My Life Flows On In Endless Song

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

Sent with I ove into the World

*Hymn

Oh Had I A Golden Thread Pete Seeger

*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 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.

Adopt-a-highway today weather permitting. Meet at the church at 1:00 PM

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!

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. 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. Bring a food item to share and your own table setting.

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