

# 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.

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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

### United Church of Christ

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#### 2024/25 Church Council

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Building and Grounds Team: Doug Hindman

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Congregational Life Team: Charla Chaudhry

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Shared Ministry Team: Tricia Grantham

Justice and Witness Team: Kym Dye

Outreach Team: Nancy Mack

#### THIS WEEK AT CCUCC

##### Monday, June 17

Stewardship & Finance 10:30 am

##### Tuesday, June 18

Building & Grounds 1:30 pm

Environmental Action group 5:15 pm

##### Wednesday, June 19

Office closed



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An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

June 16, 2024

10:30 am



*He also said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground.*

- Jesus

*If I believed the world were to end tomorrow, I would still plant a tree today.*

- falsely attributed to Martin Luther .... but it's still a fantastic quote!

*Stepping into a garden, one is enveloped by a sense of tranquility and a unique joy that comes from nurturing life. Tending to plants, from the placing of delicate seeds into the earth to the meticulous care that leads to their blossoming, cultivates more than just flora; it fosters hope and a connection to the rhythm of life.*

- Glenn Chandler



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# Gathering of All Who Seek God's Presence

## Centering Moment

**Prelude** *Veni Sancte Spiritus* Anjuli Dodhia, cantor

## Welcome

## Announcements/Joys/Concerns

**\*Call to Worship:** Kym Dye

L: From the mustard seed a great and mighty shrub emerges.

**P: Good things come from things that often seem insignificant!**

L: The spore of the yeast can leaven the whole loaf of bread.

**P: We gather to remember that we are all given the call to express hope and peace to this garden world.**

L: Come, let us praise the God of great and mighty wonders.

**P: Let our spirits soar in gratitude for the opportunities God gives us to love and to work.**

L: Let us praise the Loving Mystery in song!

**\*Hymn** *What Is This Place* (insert)

## Call to Wholeness:

For the seeds we have planted, we give You thanks, O God.

**In humility.....Lord hear our prayer.**

*(silence, followed by bell)*

For the seeds that have been planted in our lives by those who have loved us.

**In gratitude.....Lord hear our prayer.**

*(silence, followed by bell)*

That we have been given this great privilege to bear the likeness of Christ into the mystery of our time and place.

**In wonder.....Lord hear our prayer.**

*(silence, followed by bell)*

For assurance that You, Source of All Knowing, go before us and have set before us the path we are to follow.

**In faith....Lord hear our prayer.**

*(silence, followed by bell)*

For what we have experienced together.

**For what we are experiencing now.**

And for the rich blessings we have yet to receive.

**Lord hear our prayer.**

*(Silent Prayer)*

## Assurance of Grace

**Anthem** *May You Always Have a Song* CCUCC choir  
Sally K. Albrecht & Jay Althouse

# Connecting with Sacred Stories

**Ancient Witness** Mark 4: 26-33 Kym Dye

He (Jesus) also said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, the planter does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once the planter goes in with the sickle, because the harvest has come.”

He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

**Sermon** *Cultivators of Hope* Gary Jewell

**\*Hymn** *You Are salt for the Earth, O People* #181

## Liturgy of Farewell & Celebration of Ministry

# 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** *Sent Forth With God's Blessing* Mary Carloye, organ  
Winston Cassler

*For the month of June the loose cash offering will go to support the Whitman County Humane Society (Pullman) and the Humane Society of the Palouse (Moscow).*

# Sent with Love into the World

**\*Hymn** *You Shall Go Out With Joy* (insert)

## \*Benediction/Passing of the Peace

**\*Postlude** *Irish Blessing* CCUCC choir  
Laurie Caraher

\*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.

A memorial service for Betty Adams will be at CCUCC on **Saturday, June 29th at 1pm.**

**Meals on Wheels:** As of today, volunteers are still needed for deliveries **July 4-7.** Meal pick-up takes place outside the front entrance of Bishop Place by 11:15am every day. Each route takes about one hour to complete. If you're able to volunteer this summer, please see the Tuesday activity update to sign up. Any questions, contact Wanda Terry at wandaterry@yahoo.com or 509-595-0450 (call or text)

The Congregational Life Team is starting up a Thursday morning no-host **10:30 am** coffee hour at a local downtown coffee shop. This month of June, we will be meeting at the **Thomas Hammer** coffee shop downtown. You can park in the lot near Porch Light Pizza, and walk across the footbridge, or park on Pine St. by old City Hall and take the crosswalk across Main. Each month we will change the location, so we will keep you posted!

Our next Game Night is **Friday, June 28th at 6pm.** There will be free pizza. Children 5 years and older are welcome but there is no childcare.

Next Adopt-A-Highway will be **Sunday, June 30.** Meet at the Church at **1:00 PM.**

Please join us for a blissfully relaxing and fun evening on **July 10<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm** in Reaney Park, as we listen to our very own Pullman Community Band Concert. Bring your folding chairs and a nice summer beverage, hopefully set up near our picnic table (marked with the CCUCC Sign on top), which will be laden with delectable cookies and cupcakes for the taking! A perfect summer idyll. See you there!