

# 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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*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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## Community Congregational

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#### THIS WEEK AT CCUCC

**Wednesday, June 5**

Office closed



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### United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

June 2, 2024

10:30 am



*"But we have this vessel in clay jars, so that it may be clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us."*

- Second letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

*"Do not allow others to diminish your light due to their own fears and insecurities. Instead, let your light shine so brightly, that you illuminate a pathway for others to find their way out of the darkness!"*

- Dr. Stacey A. Maxwell

*"I wish I could show you when you are lonely or in darkness, the astonishing light of your own being."*

- Hafiz

# Gathering of All Who Seek God's Presence

## Centering Moment

**Prelude** *Jesus Love Me/Oh, How He Loves You and Me* Kathy Spencer, piano  
arr. Kurt Kaiser

## Welcome

## Announcements/Joys/Concerns

## \*Call to Worship:

Charlene Toews

Creating God, we bring you our praise.

**We give thanks for the bounty of earth, sea, and sky.**

We hold before you our joy and entrust to you our sorrow.

**We are yours and made in your image.**

Open us to the movement of your Spirit in and among us.

Comfort us. Disturb us.

**Enlighten us. Ignite us.**

Continue your creating ways in us and through us,

that your glory may be comprehended

and your love made visible.

**In the name of Christ we pray.**

## \*Hymn

*This Little Light of Mine*

This Little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine  
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine  
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

All through the night, I'm gonna let it shine.  
All through the night, I'm gonna let it shine.  
All through the night, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

This Little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

## Call to Wholeness:

In the silence of these moments we pause to confront ourselves.

In this moment we name in silence, the matters that prevent us from fully realizing God's grace.

Within our hearts we lift up those things that prevent us from accepting ourselves,

that keep us from accepting one another,

that block us from reaching out to humankind and to creation.

In these days when discouragement is our biggest enemy we pray for renewal of spirit....

Gives us Your Spirit, O God, to be disrupters of the old, tired narratives of violence and fear.

Renew within us a spirit that will not be silent in the face of injustice.

Christ who walks with us, whisper into our hearts commitment, courage,

and a joyful passion for Your Kingdom on Earth .

Merciful One, hear our prayers.

*(Silent Prayer)*

## Assurance of Grace

**Anthem** *He's Got the While World in His Hands* Ginny Hauser, flute  
arr. Stan Pethel Carl Hauser, clarinet

# Connecting with Sacred Stories

**Ancient Witness** 2 Corinthians 4: 1-12 Charlene Toews

Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

**Sermon** *Light Shines Through the Cracks* Gary Jewell

**Baptism** Petr Paulson

**\*Hymn** *Like a Tree beside the Waters* #313

# Celebration of Communion

## Invitation

## Sharing of the Bread and Cup

## Prayers of the People & the Jesus Prayer

**Our Mother and Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,**

**your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

**Amen.** †

# Responding to Live Faithfully

## Invitation to the Offering

**Offertory** *Holy, Holy, Holy* Kathy Spencer, piano  
arr. Kurt Kaiser

*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** *I Come with Joy* #349

## \*Benediction/Passing of the Peace

**\*Postlude** *I Am Yours, O Lord*  
Fanny Crosby

\*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.

Join us **today** in the Main Dining Room of Bishop Place for the monthly Bishop Place Hymnsing at 3 pm.

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

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.

**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!