

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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THIS WEEK AT CCUCC

Tuesday, October 8

Coffee @ Neill's Coffee Shop 10:30 am

Wednesday, October 9

Office closed

Friday, October 11

Queer Quest 6:30 pm



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An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

October 6, 2024

10:30 am



A Good Life: good practices

JOB 2:1-10



*No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here*



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Gathering of All Who Seek God's Presence

Prelude *Dignity* Kathy Spencer, piano
Joseph M. Martin

Welcome Rev. Mike Bass

Announcements

Joys and Concerns

***Call to Worship:** Beth Waddel

Let us open our eyes
To the wonder of God's goodness
Let us open our ears
To the guidance God offers
Let us open our mouths
To sound forth praise
The Relational God beckons us not towards isolation
But towards Mystery, towards Belonging, towards Love

Passing of the Peace

Let us share words of peace and belonging

***Hymn** *If You But Trust In God to Guide You* #410

Call to Wholeness:

Holy One, there are times when we lose sight of where you are. The suffering in this world can be so overwhelming sometimes. When you appear to be absent with no intervention we say, "How long, O' Lord?" We long to find a comforting presence. Remind us of your presence within.

(Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Grace

Anthem *Draw the Circle Wide* CCUCC choir
Gordon Light & Mark Miller

Connecting with Sacred Stories

Ancient Witness Job 1: 1; 2: 1-10 Beth Waddel

Once upon a time, in the land of Uz, there lived a man named Job. Job was honest and upright, revered God and turned away from evil...

Once again the heavenly court gathered to present themselves before God, and the satan was among them. God said to the satan, "Where have you been?"

The satan replied, "Here and there. Roaming around the world."

God said to the satan, "Have you noticed Job, my faithful one? There's no one on earth like him! He is unlike anyone else in the world, honest and upright,

reveres God and turns away from evil! His integrity is intact — even though you incited me to ruin him for no reason!"

The satan replied, "Skin for skin! A person will give away every possession just to stay alive. But reach out your hand and strike Job's flesh and bone, and he'll curse you to your face."

So God said to the satan, "Very well. Job is in your hand. Just spare his life."

Then the satan left God's presence... and afflicted Job with painful boils from the soles of his feet to the crown of his head. Job would take a piece of broken pottery to scrape his skin with as he sat among the ashes.

Job's wife said to him, "So you're still holding onto your integrity? Curse God, and die!"

Job replied, "Only foolish people talk like that. If we accept happiness from God, we should also accept adversity."

Sermon *A Good Live: Good Practices* Rev. Mike Bass

***Hymn** *Praise the Source of Faith and Learning* #411

Celebration of Communion

Invitation

Sharing of the Bread and Cup - All are welcome at the table.

***Hymn** *Eat This Bread* (insert)

Prayers of the People & the Jesus Prayer

Eternal Spirit, Life-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.

Responding to Live Faithfully

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory *Traumerei* Ginny Hauser, flute
Robert Schumann

For the month of October the loose cash offering will go to support Circles of Caring Adult Day Services.

Sent with Love into the World

***Hymn** *I Will Trust in the Lord* #416

*Benediction/Passing of the Peace

***Postlude** *Draw the Circle Wide*

*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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Thanks to the Rev. Molly Bolton as liturgical guide.

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

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 New School Year means that your Church Choir is back! We'll meet each Sunday **morning at 9:15**. Any and ALL are WELCOME!

For our weekday downtown coffee time, is now on **Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.** Through **October** we will meet at **Neill's Coffee Shop** on Main St. All are welcome to drop in between 10:30 and 11:30 for our no-host social time with Pastor Mike as we continue to support businesses through the difficult Main St. construction period. Each month we'll change location, so we'll keep you posted!

Vote Forward Letter Writing Project Report--Thank you to all who came to church last Sunday and helped to stuff and seal the 5005 letters that more than 60 church and community members have written to voters in Georgia, Arizona, and Montana! Many hands certainly made the task go quickly. Thank you to those who shared and prepared food to fuel this important work. If you still have letters at home, please go ahead and complete them and get them in the mail beginning October 1st. It would be ideal if the letters could be in the mail no later than October 15th, if possible.

Potluck Plus is back! Save the date of **Wednesday, October 16th at 5:30 pm** in Brewster Hall. Anjuli Dodhia and Guy Worthey will present a short musical program. Please consider bringing your own plate/cutlery/cups.