

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 Nimípuu 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

Monday, March 10

Justice & Witness 6:30 pm

Tuesday, March 11

Coffee at Pups & Cups 10:30 am

Shared Ministry 3:30 pm

Building & Grounds 4:30 pm

Wednesday, March 12

Office closed

Yoga in Brewster Hall 5:30 pm

Congregational Life 6:30 pm

Friday, March 14

Queer Quest 6:30 pm



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An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

March 9, 2025

10:30 am

INTO THE WILDERNESS



TRUSTING GOD

LUKE 4:1-13

LENT



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

Gathering of All Who Seek God's Presence

Prelude Sekai no Tomo Ginny Hauser, flute
Here, O God, Your Servants Gather
Tokuo Yamaguchi

Welcome Rev. Mike Bass

Life of the Church

Joys and Concerns

***Call to Worship** Nancy Mack

We cry out to the God of our ancestors:
Deliver us from evil ways and set us on your path of Love.
For God is our refuge, the One in whom we find our freedom.
She companions us through grief.
She leads us through valleys of despair.
She rises up when oppression bears down.
God will see us through the wilderness
and lead us together to life abundant.

Passing of the Peace

Let us share words of peace and belonging

***Hymn** *God Of Grace and God Of Glory* #436
vs 1-4

Call to Wholeness

God of the road, we journey together into the wilderness again. You hold us, but stressful times cause us to fear that we are alone. We hunger for easy comfort, even knowing that our appetite will return. We aim for power over uncertainty, forgetting that control is an illusion. Call our focus back to you, to your word, your presence, and the one called Jesus, we pray.

(Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Grace

Anthem *On Eagles' Wings* CCUCC choir
Michael Joncase

Connecting with Sacred Stories

Ancient Witness Luke 4:1-13 [Inclusive] Nancy Mack

Jesus returned from the Jordan filled with the Holy Spirit, and she led him into the desert for forty days, where he was tempted by the Devil. Jesus ate nothing during that time, at the end of which he was famished.

The devil said to Jesus, "If you are God's Own, command this stone to turn into bread." Jesus answered, "Scripture has it, 'We don't live on bread alone.'"

Then the Devil took Jesus up higher and showed him all the nations of the world in a single instant. The Devil said, "I'll give you all the power and the glory of these nations; the power has been given to me and I can give it to whomever I wish. Submit yourself in homage before me, and it will all be yours."

In reply, Jesus said, "Scripture has it, 'You will worship the Most High God; God alone will you adore.'"

Then the Devil led Jesus to Jerusalem, set him up on the parapet of the Temple and said, "If you are God's Own, throw yourself down from here, for scripture has it, 'God will tell the angels to take care of you; with their hands they'll support you, that you may never stumble on a stone.'"

Jesus said to the Devil in reply, "It also says, 'Do not put God to the test.'"

When the devil had finished all this tempting, Jesus was left alone...

Sermon *Trusting God* Rev. Mike Bass

***Hymn** *Come, O Font of Every Blessing* #459

Responding to Live Faithfully

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.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory *Sonatina, Op. 36, No. 6, Andante* Kathy Spencer, piano
Muzio Clementi

For the month of March the loose cash offering will go to support F&VS News.

Sent with Love into the World

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

*Benediction

***Postlude** *You Shall Go Out With Joy*

**You shall go out with joy
And be led forth with peace.
The mountains and the hills will break forth before you.
There'll be shouts of joy and all the trees of the fields
will clap, will clap their hands.
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands
All the trees of the field will clap their hands
All the trees of the field will clap their hands
while you go out with joy! REPEAT ALL**

*Please stand as 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 and the Rev. Dr. Cheryl Lindsay as liturgical guides.

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

Announcements

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. All are welcome.

Have a desire to make a joyful noise? Choir meets each Sunday morning at 9:15 a.m. Any and ALL are WELCOME.

Weekly coffee time is **Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.** Through **March** we will meet at **Pups & Cups** 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. Each month we'll change location, so we'll keep you posted!

CCUCC is teaming up with the Unitarian Universalist Church in Moscow for a project called "Chasing the Chill". Let's fill the box in the Narthex with new or gently used items listed on the box. Questions? Contact Kym Dye at kymdye57@gmail.com.

Come join us for yoga in Brewster Hall every **Wednesday at 5:30 pm**. Bring your yoga mat and practice with us.

Thank You Meals on Wheels Volunteers! More than 175 meals were delivered by 19 volunteers during February 16-28. If you'd like to help with this community service, CCUCC will organize volunteers for Meals on Wheels during three weeks in the summer, June 16-July 8. Watch for announcements in May to sign up through Signup Genius.

Next Adopt-a-Highway, **Sunday, March 16th**, meet at **1:00 pm** at the church. (weather permitting)

We are offering another round of "Inclusive" t-shirt orders. Order forms are in the narthex. Adult and children sizes. Orders are due no later than **March 19th**. A separate update was sent electronically with all the details.

Next Game Night is **Friday, March 28 at 6 pm**.