

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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Justice and Witness Team: Kym Dye

Outreach Team: open

THIS WEEK AT CCUCC

Monday, August 11

Justice & Witness 6:30 pm

Tuesday, August 12

Coffee @ Thomas Hammer 10:30 am

Shared Ministry 1 pm

Wednesday, August 13

Office closed

Yoga in Brewster Hall 5:30 pm

Congregational Life 6:30 pm



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An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

August 10, 2025

10:30 am



pillars of faith

faith in action



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 *Morning Has Broken* Kathy Spencer, piano
arr. Larry Shackley

Welcome Rev. Mike Bass

Life of the Church

Joys and Concerns

***Call to Worship** Charlene Toews

In the presence of God we remember the faithful saints,
their labors for justice and perseverance in times of struggle.

In the presence of God we pause to listen to the wisdom within,
to be present to the lives of our neighbors and companions.

In the presence of God we hope to en flesh the promises of God,
letting peace make its home in us,
creating paths of restoration for all that is being destroyed,
practicing love that uplifts and empowers.

Passing of the Peace

An opportunity to share words of peace and belonging. The ancient,
traditional greeting is “The peace of Christ be with you” with a response of
“And also with you.”

***Hymn** *I Sing A Song of the Saints Of God* #295

Connecting with Sacred Stories

Children's Moment Rev. Mike Bass

Special Music *Eternal Sacred Love Divine* Diane Worthey, violin
James Michael Stevens

Ancient Witness Hebrews 1:1-3, 8, 13 [Inclusive Version] Charlene Toews

Faith is the reality of all that is hoped for; faith is the proof of all that is not
yet seen. Because of faith, our ancestors were approved by God. By faith we
understand that the world was created by the word from God, and that what
is visible came into being through the invisible...

By faith, Sarah and Abraham responded when they were called, and went off
to the place they were to receive as a heritage; they went forth, moreover, not
knowing where they were going... They didn't obtain what had been
promised, but saw and welcomed it from afar.

Modern Witness "Optimism," by Jane Hirshfield Charlene Towes

More and more I have come to admire resilience.
Not the simple resistance of a pillow, whose foam
returns over and over to the same shape, but the sinuous
tenacity of a tree: finding the light newly blocked on one side,
It turns in another. A blind intelligence, true.
But out of such persistence arose turtles, rivers,
mitochondria, figs — all this resinous, unretractable earth.

Sermon *Pillars of Faith* Rev. Mike Bass

***Hymn** *For the Faithful Who Have Served* #384

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.**

Inviting Generosity

Offertory *On Eagle's Wings* Ginny Hauser, flute
Michael Joncas

*August's cash loose offering will support the
Intersectional Advocacy Coalition of Whitman County (IAC).*

Doxology **Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures high and low: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God for all that love has done!
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Sent with Love into the World

***Hymn** *Forward Through the Ages* #377

*Benediction

***Postlude** *This Pretty Planet*

This Pretty Planet
spinning through space.
You're a garden, you're a harbor, you're a Holy place.
Golden sun going down
Gentle blue giant spin us around.
All through the night.
Safe 'til the morning light. (repeat)

*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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Call to Worship by the Rev. Molly Bolton, UCC minister and contributor to
enfleshed. Adapted by the Rev. Mike Bass.

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.

Weekly coffee time is **Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.** Through **August** we will meet at
Thomas Hammer 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!

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

Scenic Day Trip: You and your family are invited to join a getaway to **Palouse
Divide Lodge** mountain top retreat near Emida, ID, **August 23.** Enjoy lunch and a
tour of this historic former ski bowl, plus hiking and relaxing with lovely views on the
deck or shopping in a collection of unusual decor, clothing, and antiques. Cost for
lunch and tour is \$25 adult, \$12.50 kids, free under age 3. We can carpool from the
church at 9:00 a.m. for the one-hour drive and leave for home at your leisure. Sign up
in the entryway at church or contact Nancy Mack, 509-592-0072.

Volunteers needed for football parking at CCUCC: It's time to sign up if you'd
like to help collect donations from football fans who use the CCUCC parking lot on
game days. There are 6 home games this year. See the weekly email for the SignUp
Genius link with game dates and kick off times. For more information, contact Wanda
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