

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.

Scan code here to donate your loose change to local non-profit.



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2025/26 Church Council

Moderator: Sandy Evenson

Moderator-Elect: open

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Congregational Care Team: Nancy Gillard

Shared Ministry Team: Tricia Grantham

Justice and Witness Team: Kym Dye

Outreach Team: open

THIS WEEK AT CCUCC

Tuesday, August 19

Coffee @ Thomas Hammer 10:30 am

Stewardship & Finance 10:30 am

Building & Grounds 1:30 pm

Wednesday, August 20

Office closed

Yoga in Brewster Hall 5:30 pm

Thursday, August 21

Congregational Care 1:30 pm

Friday, August 21

Pat Lane's memorial service 2 pm

Queer Quest 6 pm



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An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

August 17, 2025

10:30 am



pillars of faith

leaning on a great cloud



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 *Immortal, Invisible* Kathy Spencer, piano
arr. Joseph M. Martin

Welcome Rev. Mike Bass

Life of the Church

Joys and Concerns

***Call to Worship** Darin Paulson

By faith we get up in the morning,
learning from the rising sun how to begin again.
By faith we go out into the day,
courageously asking God to meet us where we are.
By faith we gather together,
honoring the Divine Light in one another.
By faith we fan the flames of justice—
for we have known the Spirit of Transformation.
Come, let us worship the Holy and Faithful One,
the Living God is in our midst.

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** *My Faith, It Is An Oaken Staff* #418

Connecting with Sacred Stories

Children's Moment Rev. Mike Bass

Special Music *Be Thou My Vision* Guy Worthey, vocals
Irish Folk Song

Ancient Witness Hebrews 11:39-12:1 [Inclusive Version] Darin Paulson

These are all heroes of our faith, but none of them received what was promised, since God had provided something better for us, so that they would not be made perfect apart from us. Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside everything that impedes us and the sin that so easily entangles us. Let us run with perseverance the race laid out for us...

Sermon *Leaning on a Great Cloud* Rev. Mike Bass

***Hymn** *Standing At the Future's Threshold* #538

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 *Largo from "New World Symphony"* Ginny Hauser, flute
A. Dvorak

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** *O Day Of God Draw Near* #611
(all verses)

***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 enflshed. 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 Terry, wandaterry@yahoo.com or 509-595-0450.

There will be a memorial service for Pat Lane on **Friday, August 22nd at 2pm.** A cookies and punch reception will follow.