

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

Tuesday, November 25

Coffee @ Pups & Cups 10:30 am

Wednesday, November 26

Office closed

Council meeting 10 am

Thursday, November 27

Office closed

Friday, November 28

Office closed

Community Thanksgiving 4 pm

Game Night 6 pm



Community Congregational

United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

Accessible to All

November 23, 2025

10:30 am



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

If you do not wish to keep this bulletin, please recycle it. Thanks.

Gathering of All Who Seek God's Presence

Prelude *We Gather Together* Kathy Spencer, piano
arr. Murray C. Bradshaw

Welcome Rev. Mike Bass

Life of the Church

Joys and Concerns

***Call to Worship** Darin Paulson

We remember that God is our refuge.
When the cross looms and evil stands tall.
God is courage in destruction's wake.
God is love that sets the captives free.
God is solidarity in the midst of struggle.
God is justice that brings cruelty to an end.
God is within us, God is among us.
With thanks, we gather with God, our hope in times of trouble.

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** *For The Fruit of All Creation* #425

Connecting with Sacred Stories

Children's Moment Rev. Mike Bass

Anthem *Celtic Laud* CCUCC choir
Craig Courtney

Ancient Witness Luke 23:33-43 [*Inclusive version*] Darin Paulson

When they had reached the place called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there — together with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. And Jesus said, "Abba, forgive them. They don't know what they are doing." Then they divided his garments, rolling dice for them.

The people stood there watching. The rulers, however, jeered him and said, "He saved others, let him save himself — if he really is the Messiah of God, the Chosen One!" The soldiers also mocked him. They served Jesus sour wine and said, "If you are really the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was an inscription above Jesus that read, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who hung there beside him insulted Jesus, too, saying, "Are you really the Messiah? Then save yourself — and us!"

But the other answered the first with a rebuke: "Don't you even fear God? We are only paying the price for what we have done, but this one has done

nothing wrong!" Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your glory."

Jesus replied, "The truth is, today you'll be with me in paradise!"

Sermon *Love Rules* Rev. Mike Bass

***Hymn** *Come, Thankful People, Come* #422

Responding to Live Faithfully

Prayers of the People & Jesus Prayer Rev. Mike Bass

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 *The Ash Grove* Ginny Hauser, flute
"Let All Things Now Living, A Song of Thanksgiving"
arr. Benjamin Britten

*Today's cash loose offering will support
the Inland Oasis Food Bank.*

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** *This Is a Day of New Beginnings* #417
v. 1-4

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *Pass It On*

It only takes a spark to get a fire going
And soon all those around can warm up in the glowing
That's how it is with God's love
Once you've experienced it
You'll spread God's love to everyone
You'll want to pass it on **(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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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 **November** 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!

Choir has resumed! Join us for rehearsals on **Sunday mornings at 9 am.** Everyone is welcome!!

Chasing the Chill: We are teaming up with UU Church in Moscow to collect winter items (scarves, gloves/mittens, hats and socks of all sizes) Note that socks must be newly purchased. There will be a donation box in the narthex to collect new or gently used items to help our friends in the community. Questions? Contact Kym Dye at kymdye57@gmail.com. Please no coats, blankets, jackets or sweatshirts.

November Meals on Wheels Volunteers Needed: Pullman Community Council on Aging, the organization that coordinates Meals on Wheels, needs volunteers during November. See the Sign-up Genius link in the Tuesday update if you can help out for one or two dates during the month.

If you would like to help with the Thanksgiving for the Community on **Friday, November 28th**, see the sign up sheets in the narthex. All food items must be store bought.

Game Day Parking Update For three home games in August and September, football fans donated \$2,510 to park in the church's lot on Game Day. Go Cougs! Go CCUCC!! There is one more home game. If you'd like to help, please join us in the parking lot 3 hours before kickoff. The more, the merrier! Nov 29: 12:30p-3:30p. is the last game. For more info: Wanda Terry, wandaterry@yahoo.com or 509.595.0450 call or text.

Come to the 67th Annual Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast! The holiday celebration includes food, music, and a silent auction. All proceeds go to service and performing arts programs for local children. The event is **Saturday, December 6, 7-11am, at Lincoln Middle School**; tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 3-12. For advance tickets and more information, visit pullmankiwanis.org.

Look forward to these CCUCC Advent celebrations: December 7 during coffee hour after worship: *Christmas Crafts for All Ages*; **December 14** after worship service: *CCUCC Christmas Lunch and Carol Singing* in Fellowship Hall; **December 24** 5:30 p.m.: *Christmas Eve Worship, Refreshments following*