

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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Outreach Team: open

THIS WEEK AT CCUCC

Monday, January 19

Office closed

Tuesday, January 20

Coffee @ Pups & Cups 10:30 am

Stewardship & Finance 3:30 pm

Wednesday, January 21

Office closed

Faith Development 5:30 pm

Friday, January 23

Game Night 6 pm

Queer Quest 6:30 pm



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An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

Accessible to All

January 18, 2026

10:30 am

EPIPHANY 2

John 1



Dreaming

the IMPOSSIBLE



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 *Ain-a That Good News!* Kathy Spencer, piano
arr. John Carter

Welcome Rev. Mike Bass

Life of the Church

Joys and Concerns

***Call to Worship** Susan Poch

Those who have known the strains of human life,
the heavy burdens of injustice,
or the perils of uncertainty,
come and tell again the story of God.
Let your hearts be made alive with memories of restoration.
Let your mouths be filled with testimonies of hope.
Our spirits are renewed through Sacred witness.
We remember the prophets - their truth offers freedom.
We remember the life of Jesus - his love transforms.
We remember the saints who persisted - their courage compels.
With the joy of this ancient story that delivers and uplifts,
we welcome the presence of God 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** *For the Healing of the Nations* #576
v. 1-3

Connecting with Sacred Stories

Children's Moment Rev. Mike Bass

Anthem *Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel* CCUCC choir
arr. Roger Emerson

Ancient Witness John 1:29; 34-39 [*Inclusive version*] Susan Poch

The next day, catching sign of Jesus approaching, John the Baptizer exclaimed, “Look, there's the Lamb of God, who takes away the world's sin!... Now I have seen for myself and have witnessed to the fact that this is the Only Begotten of God.”

The next day, John was by the Jordan River again with two of his own disciples. Seeing Jesus walk by, John said, “Look! There's the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard what John said and followed Jesus.

When Jesus turned around and noticed them following, he asked them, “What are you looking for?” They replied, “Rabbi,” — which means “Teacher” — “where are you staying?” “Come and see,” Jesus answered.

So they went to see where he was staying, and they spent the rest of the day with him.

Modern Witness *The Work of Christmas* Susan Poch
by Howard Thurman

When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and princes are home,
When the shepherds are back with their flock,
The work of Christmas begins:
To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To feed the hungry,
To release the prisoner,
To rebuild the nations,
To bring peace among others,
To make music in the heart.

Sermon *Dreaming the Possible* Rev. Mike Bass

***Hymn** *Great God of Earth and Heaven* #579

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 *Poor, Wayfaring Stranger* Diane Worthey, violin
arr. Carol Troutman Wiggins

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

For January the loose offering will support
Circles of Caring.

Sent with Love into the World

***Hymn** *We Shall Overcome* #570
v. 1-4

*Benediction

***Postlude** *This Is a Day of New Beginnings*

This is a day of new beginnings,
Time to remember and move on,
Time to believe what love is bringing,
as faith and hope are born again.

*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 liturgy by the Rev. Molly Bolton of enfleshed. Adapted by the Rev. Mike Bass.

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

Announcements

COFFEE HOUR: All are welcome 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 **January** 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 9:15 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.

A Martin Luther King, Jr celebration will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church on **Sunday, January 25th at 4pm.** Childcare provided for kids under 6 and a light meal will follow the celebration.

Queer Quest has returned on **Fridays at 6:30 pm.** and next Game Night is **Friday, January 23rd at 6 pm.**

Congregational Meeting next **Sunday, January 25th.**

Meals on Wheels Volunteers Needed It's time for CCUCC to schedule volunteers for Meals on Wheels deliveries February 16-28. Meal pick-up takes place outside the front entrance of Bishop Place **by 11:15am** every day. Each route takes about an hour to complete. If you're able to volunteer, see the Tuesday update for the link.

Shrove Tuesday **PANCAKE FEED and TALENT SHOW.** 5:30 p.m. February 17. The festive Mardi Gras before Lent begins! **Sign up** in the church entry to help with the food and/or volunteer your talent. Questions? Ask Mary Carloye 509-332-9229 or Lisa Carloye.