

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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Moderator-Elect: open

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Justice and Witness Team: Kym Dye

Outreach Team: open

THIS WEEK AT CCUCC

Tuesday, January 6

Coffee @ Pups & Cups 10:30 am

Epiphany Party - Sandy Evenson's house 4 pm

Wednesday, January 7

Office closed

Council 10 am

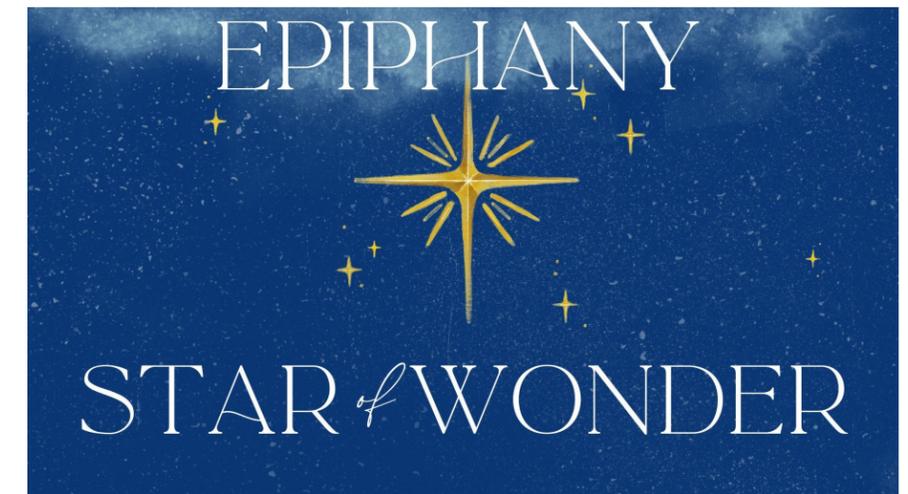


Community Congregational United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

January 4, 2026

10:30 am



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



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Gathering of All Who Seek God's Presence

Prelude *We Three Kings of Orient Are* Ginny Hauser, flute
arr. Henry Kihlken

Welcome Rev. Mike Bass

Life of the Church

Joys and Concerns

***Call to Worship** Julia Mike

Rise and shine — the star that stirs our seeking awaits
Look! God's dwelling is now among us.
In abundance and hope,
all creation moves toward joy.
Like myrrh, we offer compassion—
balm for the broken and the wounded.
With the Holy as our guide, grace now gathers.
Let us desire what God desires—
life for all creation,
justice that sets every captive free,
and joy where justice is fulfilled.
Come, let everyone experience the love of God found in and through this community.

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** *Angels From the Realms of Glory* #126

Connecting with Sacred Stories

Children's Moment Rev. Mike Bass

Anthem *Go Tell It* CCUCC choir
Pepper Choplin

Ancient Witness Matthew 2:9-12 [*Inclusive*] Julia Mike

After the astrologers from the East met with King Herod, they set out. The star which they had observed at its rising went ahead of them until it came to a standstill over the place where the child lay. They were overjoyed at seeing the star and, upon entering the house, found the child with Mary, his mother. They knelt down and paid homage. Then they opened their coffers and presented the child with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

They were warned in a dream not to return to Herod, so they went back to their own country by another route.

Sermon *Star of Wonder* Rev. Mike Bass

***Hymn** *Love Came Down at Christmas* #165

Celebration of Communion

Invitation

Sharing of the Bread and Cup - All are welcome at the table.

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.

Responding to Live Faithfully

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory *Season of Love* Anjali Dodhia, vocals

*Today's cash loose offering will support
Circles of Care*

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** *Brightest and Best* #156

***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,
laying to rest the pain that's gone.

*Please stand if 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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Credit: Call to Worship by the Rev. Michael Anthony Howard, UCC Minister of Faith in Action for the Living Water Association in Ohio. 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.

Join us **today** in the Main Dining Room of Bishop Place for the monthly Bishop Place Hymnsing at 3 pm.

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 **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!

Movie Night this month features The Great Debaters on **Sunday, January 11. Doors open at 5pm.** Pizza provided! Upcoming movies are listed in the Tuesday update.

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.

Next Pub Theology will be **Sunday, January 11th at 5:30.** Questions? Contact Darin Paulson.

Next Queer Quest starts on **Friday, January 16.** Questions? Contact Guy Worthey.