

“Do you see
all these great
buildings?”
replied Jesus.

“Not one stone
here will be left
on another;
every one will be
thrown down.”

Mark 13:2, NIV

NOVEMBER 14, 2021

COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ and United Church of Christ)

November 14, 2021

10:30 AM

The Reverend Steven Price

Pastor on Sabbatical

The Reverend Dr. Margo Markestijn

Sabbatical Interim Minister

Mr. Ron Strong

Choir Director

Mr. Frankie Bones

Church Musician

Mr. Ryan Hubbell

Technical Support

Whoever you are and wherever you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here!

Words of Welcome

As we begin our service, just some notes of preparation:

1. For **Communion**: For those who might have forgotten, elements are available on the tables in the atrium.
2. **Prayer requests** – **Please text your prayer requests to Beth Fulkerson at 585.755.6310 by the time we're listening to Special Music/Anthem.** State your name should your number not be in her contact list and your requests will be read during community prayer. ALSO, for those without cell phones, slips of paper/pencils can be found on pews by center aisle. Thank you.
3. **Announcements will take place right before the benediction.** Should you have an **Announcement** to share, text it to Beth Fulkerson at the above number, identifying it as an **Announcement** vs. a prayer request. Beth will read those as well as those printed in the bulletin.
4. In consideration of all, please **wear a mask at all times** while in the building.

GATHERING

Please take this time to center yourself as we listen to this morning's prelude.

Prelude

Frankie Bones

Land Acknowledgment: Our physical space stands on unceded land originally stewarded by the Seneca people. Today let us acknowledge and honor the Seneca nation by walking paths that lead to equality for all and care for creation.

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Leader: Thank you God, for another awakening to a new day!

People: Each day is filled with new possibilities: a blessing bestowed upon us.

Leader: Every moment brings new awareness to your presence.

People: And every breath that we take is filled with your devotion.

ALL: In gratitude, we worship you in spirit and in truth. Amen!

† Opening Hymn

Morning Has Broken

Chalice Hymnal, No. 53

Morning has broken like the first morning,
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from Heaven,
like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! mine is the morning
born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's recreation of the new day!

Anthem

"Make A Joyful Noise!"

Benjamin Harlan

Children are invited to Faith Formation activities following the choir's anthem.

ENGAGING

Scripture Reading

Mark 13:1-8

Pew Bible, NT page 50

Lector: Connie Bottoni

Sermon

The Reverend Dr. Margo Markesteijn

Music for Reflection

Frankie Bones

RESPONDING

Offertory Sentence and Blessing

While no plates are passed during the offering, your gifts are still needed and appreciated for the continuation of our ministries. You are welcome to use the Tithely app on our webpage, send a gift via U.S. mail, or through your bank.

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An offering plate is available in the narthex for those who would like to give after worship.

† Offertory Hymn

Doxology

Chalice Hymnal, No. 46

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, (God) all creatures here below;
Praise him (God) above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

*This table is open to all. Together we are the Body of Christ.
We will partake of the Bread and the Cup in unison following the Elder's prayer.*

Let us say together the prayer Jesus taught his disciples . . .

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father (or Creator) which art in heaven hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil

for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Prayer Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

Chalice Hymnal, No. 595

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my redeemer, my love thou hast won,
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Great God of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Prayers for Our Community and the World

Hear now our community prayers. After request... God in your goodness, grace or mercy... **People: Hear our Prayer.**

Silent Prayers

GOING FORTH

† Closing Hymn

This is My Song

Chalice Hymnal, No. 722

This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
but other hearts in other lands are beating
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

(continued)

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine;
but other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
and skies are everywhere as blue as mine.
O hear my song, thou God of all nations,
a song of peace for their land and for mine.

This is my prayer, O Ruler of all the nations:
let thy reign come; on earth thy will be done.
In peace may all earth's people draw together,
and hearts united learn to live as one.
O hear my prayer, thou God of all nations;
myself I give thee; let thy will be done.

Preparing to Go Out and Participate in the Life of the Church

Beth Fulkerson will share an abbreviated version of each announcement in the bulletin. If you have something to announce that is NOT in the bulletin, please **text** it to Beth Fulkerson at **585.755.6310** and begin your message with the word **"Announcement."** This is one way of assuring that those on ZOOM will be able to hear all the announcements. Thank you for your cooperation.

Benediction

Postlude

Frankie Bones



† All who are able, please stand.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Elders Connie Bottoni & Dee Staley Deacons Jess Ayers, Sue Tufts
ZOOM Host Barbara Coe Greeters All God's People! Sue Tufts



◆ OUR CHURCH AT WORK ◆

READY TO SERVE:

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News You Can Use at Community Christian Church

Today's ZOOM service was recorded.
To access the recording, visit our
website: Cccopentoall.org.
It will be posted early this week.

We're Glad You're Here!

HOPES and PRAYERS – Tuesdays at 10:00 AM.

Join Diane Ellis via ZOOM for a time of sharing those things heavy on your heart as well as lifting up the ways God has already blessed your life or answered your prayers. A ZOOM invitation will be sent Monday evening.

General Board Meeting – Today, November 14 – 11:45 AM

All church officers are voting members of the General Board. You are encouraged to attend the meeting in the Fellowship Hall (masks required) and via ZOOM. This is an opportunity to make your voice heard. This month we will be discussing the projected budget for 2022 as well as look at a proposed slate of church officers for the New Year. The Board Meetings are open and all are welcome to attend.

Book Club – Tuesday, November 16 at 7:00 PM

We will be discussing the book, THE BOOKWOMAN OF TROUBLESOME CREEK by Kim Michelle Richardson. The Book Club meets at Kathy Schaefer's home. All are welcome!

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Thursday, November 18th – Volunteers Needed!

2:30 – 5:30 PM	Parking Lot Duty (3 volunteers needed)
2:30 – 5:30 PM	Food Distribution (Many volunteers needed – some lifting required)
5:00 – 6:00 PM	Takedown & Cleanup (5 volunteers needed – lifting required!)

Please TEXT or message Ron Herman at 585.313.2459 **OR** sign up on the sheets in Fellowship Hall if you can lend a helping hand (or two!). ALSO, mark on your calendars the next date for Abundant Blessings: **Thursday, December 16.**

Red Cross Blood Drive – Friday, November 19 – 12:00-5:00 PM

We're hoping many of you will be eligible to donate this month. The Red Cross needs people to sign up on their website before hand as that is what they use to decide whether or not to go ahead with the blood drive. Please check with Judi Tellier if you're willing to help out.

Hungry for Some Inspiration?

Sign up now for the CCC Daily Dish - a heaping helping of inspiration! MOJO, in cooperation with our diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts, is launching a new daily engagement platform. You can opt in by texting **CCCDailyDish to 43506**. Each day you'll receive a short message to ponder, reflect on, and/or share with others. Questions? Ask Shawna (shawnalusk@gmail.com or 576-5159).

Opportunities to Give to Those in Need during this Season of Thanksgiving

HOLIDAY BASKETS – During November, CCC will collect food for SWEM’s holiday baskets that are handed out to clients in December. Please see the list below for what is being collected. We can also add holiday touches such as coffee, tea, candies, mints or napkins.

If you prefer to donate money instead of food, that is also an option. Money will be used to buy meat, eggs and butter for the baskets. Please see Pam Bakst if you’d like to donate money. ****No toys or perishable items, please. Any questions, ask Pam.**



Food Items Needed for each Holiday Meal

- 1 fruit cocktail or canned fruit
- 2 soups
- 6 pack V-8 Juice or 6 pack 100% fruit juice
- 1 instant mashed potatoes (2-6oz or 1-15oz)
- 1 large or 2 regular canned sweet potato
- 3 canned vegetables (e.g., corn, carrots, beans)
- 1 cranberry sauce
- 1 bag stuffing mix (or boxed – 2-6oz or 1-12oz)
- 1 can gravy
- 1 box gelatin dessert,
Or cake mix & frosting,
Or pie crust mix and filling

These meals are designed for a family of 3-4 people.

Where to Put Your Donations

- You can bring in food items and place them in front of the large cornucopia any time from today, during the week, or Thanksgiving Sunday (11/21).
- Food should be removed from bags or boxes and placed in front of the cornucopia
- On Thanksgiving Sunday, you may place food donations in front of the cornucopia before church OR place them at the end of each pew for collection during the service
- On Thanksgiving Sunday, during the children's sermon, kids will collect any food items left at the end of pews and bring them forward to be placed in front of the cornucopia. After collection, hand sanitizer will be dispensed for each child as a teachable moment, reminding them that there are many ways that we take care of one another.

**Neighbors in Need helps make Unfailing Love possible.
For this to occur, it needs your support.**



Unfailing Love

This is my commandment,
that you love one another as I have loved you.

John 15:12

The neighbors in need offering, which we will receive on Thanksgiving Sunday, November 21, supports the UCC's ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. Two-thirds of the offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries to fund a wide array of local and national justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects. Through ucc.org/justice, our national Justice and Witness Ministries office offers resources, news updates, and action alerts on a broad spectrum of justice issues. Working with members of the UCC Justice and Peace Action Network (a network of thousands of UCC justice and peace advocates), Justice and Witness continues its strong policy advocacy work on issues such as the federal budget, voting rights, immigration, health care, hate crimes, civil liberties, and environmental justice.

Donations may be made by writing a check to the church clearly marked NIN (Neighbors In Need).

**Neighbors in Need 2021
Special Mission Offering**



Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to help decorate the sanctuary and Fellowship Hall as we prepare for the Christmas season. Advent is a time of preparation for the arrival of the Christ child. What better way to start the season than by enjoying the fun and fellowship of decorating our church for this joyous time of year!

Date: Sunday, November 21

Time: 11:30 AM

Best Wishes to Those Celebrating Birthdays This Week . . .

Birthdays

November 16	Ken Gibson
November 19	Myra Fulkerson
November 20	Susan Smith

◆ THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE ◆

Today, November 14 th	11:40 AM	General Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 16 th	10:00 AM	Hopes and Prayers (ZOOM)
	10:30 AM	Retired Teachers Choir – FH ('til 12p)
	12:00 PM	Deadline for bulletin announcements
	2:00 PM	Private Wreath Making – FH
	4:00 PM	CSA Produce Distribution – Atrium (til 6p)
	6:45 PM	Girl Scouts – FH 'til 8p
	7:00 PM	Book Club at Kathy Schaefer's home
Wednesday, November 17 th	9:00 AM	The Quilting Gals – FH 'til 4p
	7:00 PM	Sr. Choir Rehearsal – FH
Thursday, November 18 th	2:15 PM	Abundant Blessings Setup
	3:30 PM	Abundant Blessings Food Distribution ('til 5:30p)
	7:00 PM	RGMC Rehearsal – FH
Friday, November 19 th	11:00 AM	Red Cross arrives for setup
	12:00 PM	Blood Drive until 5p
Saturday, November 20	9:00 AM	RGMC Retreat – FH 'til 4p
Sunday, November 21 st		Thanksgiving Sunday
	10:00 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 AM	Hybrid Worship – Please wear a mask.
	10:45 (ish)	Children leave for Faith Formation Activities
	11:30 AM	"Hanging of the Greens" – Come decorate the church with us!

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