



CHRISTIAN CHURCH (Disciples of Christ)

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

And when the day  
of Pentecost  
was fully  
come, they  
were all  
with one  
accord in  
one place.



Acts 2:1

**MAY 28, 2023**

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**COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
(Disciples of Christ and United Church of Christ)

**May 28, 2023**

**10:30 AM**

The Reverend Steven Price  
Mr. Ron Strong  
Mr. Veniamin Blokh  
Mr. Dan Robillard  
Mr. Ryan Hubbell

Pastor  
Choir Director  
Church Musician  
Worship Leader  
Technical Support



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

***WELCOME!***

We extend a warm welcome to you as we gather to celebrate God's life-giving presence. During communion, as we partake of the bread and cup, please know that **all** who desire Christ's boundless and embracing love are welcomed to participate.

Prayer is an important part of our life together as a community of faith. If you have a prayer concern or joy you would like raised later on in the service, text your request to Beth Fulkerson at 585.755.6310.

***GATHERING***

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

Prelude

Venya Blokh

† Call to Worship

~ by Tim Graves

One: The wind at our backs,  
we entered Jerusalem.  
Only to watch him die on the cross.

**Many: It spiraled so quickly.  
Trial. Torture. Crucifixion. Death.**

One: But on the third day  
**Many: the breath of God blew new life into our futures.  
Forty days with the risen Jesus.**

One: Before he ascended,  
Jesus reminded us that the Spirit will come.  
It was on Pentecost.

*(continued)*

**Many: Yes, it was on Pentecost  
when the wind breathed  
into each and every one of us.**

One: Let us pray:  
Sacred breath, move through this room.  
Unlock a song within your people.

**ALL: Breathe into us your hopes and dreams  
for a world filled with justice, love, and peace. Amen.**

† Opening Hymn

## ***Spirit***

Chalice Hymnal, No. 249

Please join us in singing verses 1, 2 and 3 only.

*A Pentecost favorite as it tells the story of our faith so beautifully yet concisely!  
Let's sing this with spirit, thus not too slow!*

### **Refrain:**

*Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness,  
calling and free,  
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness,  
wind, wind on the sea.*

You moved on the waters, You called to the deep,  
Then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep,  
And over the eons You called to each thing,  
“Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings.” *(to refrain)*

You swept through the desert, You stung with the sand,  
And you gifted your people with a law and a land,  
When they were confounded with idols and lies,  
Then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. *(to refrain)*

You sang in a stable, You cried from a hill,  
Then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still,  
And down in the city You called once again  
When you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. *(to refrain)*

Intergenerational Time

Dan Robillard and Kathy Schaefer

Anthem

*“You Are Wonderfully Made”*

Pepper Choplin

*Children are invited to Faith Formation activities following this portion of the service.*

## **ENGAGING**

Old Testament Reading

Numbers 11:24-30

Pew Bible, OT pages 129-130

New Testament Reading

Acts 2:1-4

Pew Bible, NT page 119

Lector: John Giffen

## **RESPONDING**

### Offering Sentence as Prayer

~ written by Gil Le Fevre

Your offering can happen in a variety of ways: the collection plate in the narthex, giving through your bank, using the tithely app, and giving on our [cccopentoall.org](http://cccopentoall.org) webpage. We are grateful.

### † Song of Praise

#### **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  
*(or Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.)*

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



## Communion Distribution

*This table is open to all who are seekers of another way  
made known to us in Jesus.*

*Please come down the center aisle **single file** to receive a piece of gluten-free bread from an elder  
and a cup of grape juice from another elder, returning to your seats by the outer aisle.  
If you are unable to come forward, please signal that you would like to be served  
and someone will bring communion to you.*

## Prayers for Our Community and the World

### “Opening A Window”

~ from RevGalPals website

Leader: O God, You who are always doing a new thing,  
we confess that we sometimes close windows  
against the fresh air of new ideas,  
against the noise of other people’s worries,  
against the winds of change.

God of every place and time,  
we confess that we often draw the curtains  
against people who are different,  
against world news or community concerns.

Forgive us our insulation in our locked homes,  
our shuttered churches,  
the security systems on our hearts.

Open up our lives, we pray,  
and let your Spirit blow through. Together let us say: **Amen.**

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

Let us say together the prayer Jesus taught those he loved . . .

### **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

### **GOING FORTH**

† Concluding Hymn

### ***There's a Spirit in the Air***

Chalice Hymnal, No. 257

Please join us in singing verses 1, 2, 3 and 6 only.

There's a spirit in the air,  
Telling Christians everywhere:  
"Praise the love, that Christ revealed,  
Living, working, in our world."

Lose your shyness, find your tongue,  
Tell the world what God has done:  
God in Christ has come to stay.  
Live tomorrow's life today.

When believers break the bread,  
When a hungry child is fed,  
Praise the love that Christ revealed,  
Living, working, in our world.

May the Spirit fill our praise,  
Guide our thoughts and change our ways.  
God in Christ has come to stay.  
Live tomorrow's life today!

† **Benediction**

~ posted on the **Presbyterian Church of Canada**

As we enter a new week,  
may each one of us experience God's presence.  
Let us be aware of God pouring the Holy Spirit  
over our heads and the words of our lips,  
Into our hearts and thoughts and emotions,  
and onto our hands and feet,  
setting us into action,  
so that others might experience God's compassion.

(continued)

Remember as we go, that the love of God, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit will be with each one of us. **Amen**

Participating in the Life of the Church (Announcements)

(See pages 7-8)

Postlude *(Please remain seated.)*

Venya Blokh



† All who are able, please stand.

**ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY**

Elders .....	Beth Fulkerson, Kathy Schaefer	Deacons .....	Joyce Hunt
ZOOM Host .....	Barbara Coe		Sophie Wanck-Kann
ZOOM Elder .....	Pam Bakst	Greeter .....	Jess Ayers



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.

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**◆ OUR CHURCH AT WORK ◆**

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**READY TO SERVE:** *The Reverend Steven Price, Pastor*

Pastor Steven can be reached at 733-7121 or [RevStevenCCC@gmail.com](mailto:RevStevenCCC@gmail.com).

**SPECIAL NOTE:**

Pastor Steven will be out of the office from now until Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>. If an emergency arises, then please phone Sandy Hubbell at 585.617.4009 and she will triage the call for next steps.

***Sandy Hubbell, Office Administrator***

Sandy can be reached at [turkielegs@aol.com](mailto:turkielegs@aol.com) or if you need immediate assistance, call her at 617-4009 and leave a message.

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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](http://Cccopentoall.org).  
It will be posted early this week.

**CALLING ALL GRADUATES!** Have you or someone you know graduated in May or will in June? Or perhaps you received a degree last December. We want to honor our graduates on Education Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>.

Please share information with Patti Ayers at church. Be sure to include the name of the graduate, date of graduation, school name, degree if applicable, and plans for the near future. Thanks!

**Deadline: TODAY, May 28<sup>th</sup>.**

### **HOPES and PRAYERS – Tuesdays at 10:00 AM.**

Join Pastor Steven 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.

### **2023 Menstrual Product Drive**

The MOJO Menstrual Mission was founded in 2022 to collect and distribute menstrual products to menstruating people in the Rochester community who have difficulty accessing products like pads or tampons.

This year's collection drive begins **today**, May 14th! Donations can be dropped off in the narthex. Not sure what to buy? There is a QR code attached to the box that directs users to an Amazon wish list! Please call (585-490-8079) or email Sarah Engel ([snengel1@gmail.com](mailto:snengel1@gmail.com)) for more information.

### **Join the Kirby CSA – 23 weeks of Fresh Produce (Community Supported Agriculture)**

It is once again time to consider signing up for our annual Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) collaboration with Kirby's Farm Markets! Every Tuesday from mid-June to mid-November our church serves as a distribution site for Kirby's amazing array of produce. We have up to 55 families coming and going, sharing recipes, petting dogs, emptying compost bins and more from 4 – 6 PM 5 months of the year. This isn't a free service, but a financial investment in a local farm and an investment in our own health. If this sounds like a good fit for you and your family, find out more at the Kirby website at [kirbyfarm.com](http://kirbyfarm.com).

~ Your CCC CSA Coordinators, Pastor Steven and Jen Kann

### **Best Wishes to Those Celebrating Birthdays or Anniversaries This Week ...**



- May 28 - Dee & Lee Staley (Anniversary)
- May 30 - Julia & Sara Hickman-Himes (Anniversary)
- May 31 - Dean Akins
- June 2 - James Symonds, Olivia Greer
- June 3 - Shirley Strassner, April Ayers

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◆ **THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE** ◆

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Today, May 28 <sup>th</sup>	11:30 AM	Fellowship Time – Join us for light refreshments in Fellowship Hall
Monday, May 29 <sup>th</sup>		Memorial Day Observed
Tuesday, May 30 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 AM	Hopes and Prayers (ZOOM)
	12:00 PM	Deadline for bulletin announcements
Wednesday, May 31 <sup>st</sup>	7:00 PM	Sr. Choir Rehearsal – FH
Thursday, June 1 <sup>st</sup>	1:00 PM	Bell Quartet Rehearsal – Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	RGMC Rehearsal – FH
Saturday, June 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10:00 AM	Bell Quartet Rehearsal – Sanctuary
Sunday, June 4 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Education Sunday</b>
	10:00 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 AM	Hybrid Worship – Wearing a mask is optional
	11:30 AM	Fellowship Time and Reception honoring our Graduates and Christian Educators.



### **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, dishes out a 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](mailto:shawnalusk@gmail.com) or 576-5159).

### **Impact Earth – Our Composting Ministry at CCC**

Composting means “Creating zero waste, together!” Anyone interested in helping to save our planet is invited to stop at the garage and dump your compost in the big tote with the **Impact Earth** name/logo on it (yellow/green liner) every Sunday! An eco-friendly ministry of Community Christian Church.

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