Community Christian CHURCH

CHRISTIAN CHURCH (Disciples of Christ)

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

"...you have found **favor** in my sight, and I **know** you by name."

EXODUS 33:17, NRSV

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(Disciples of Christ and United Church of Christ)

October 18, 2026 **10:30 AM**

The Reverend Steven Price	Pastor
Mr. Veniamin Blokh	Church Musician
Mr. Ron Strong	Senior Choir Director
Mr. Ryan Hubbell	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

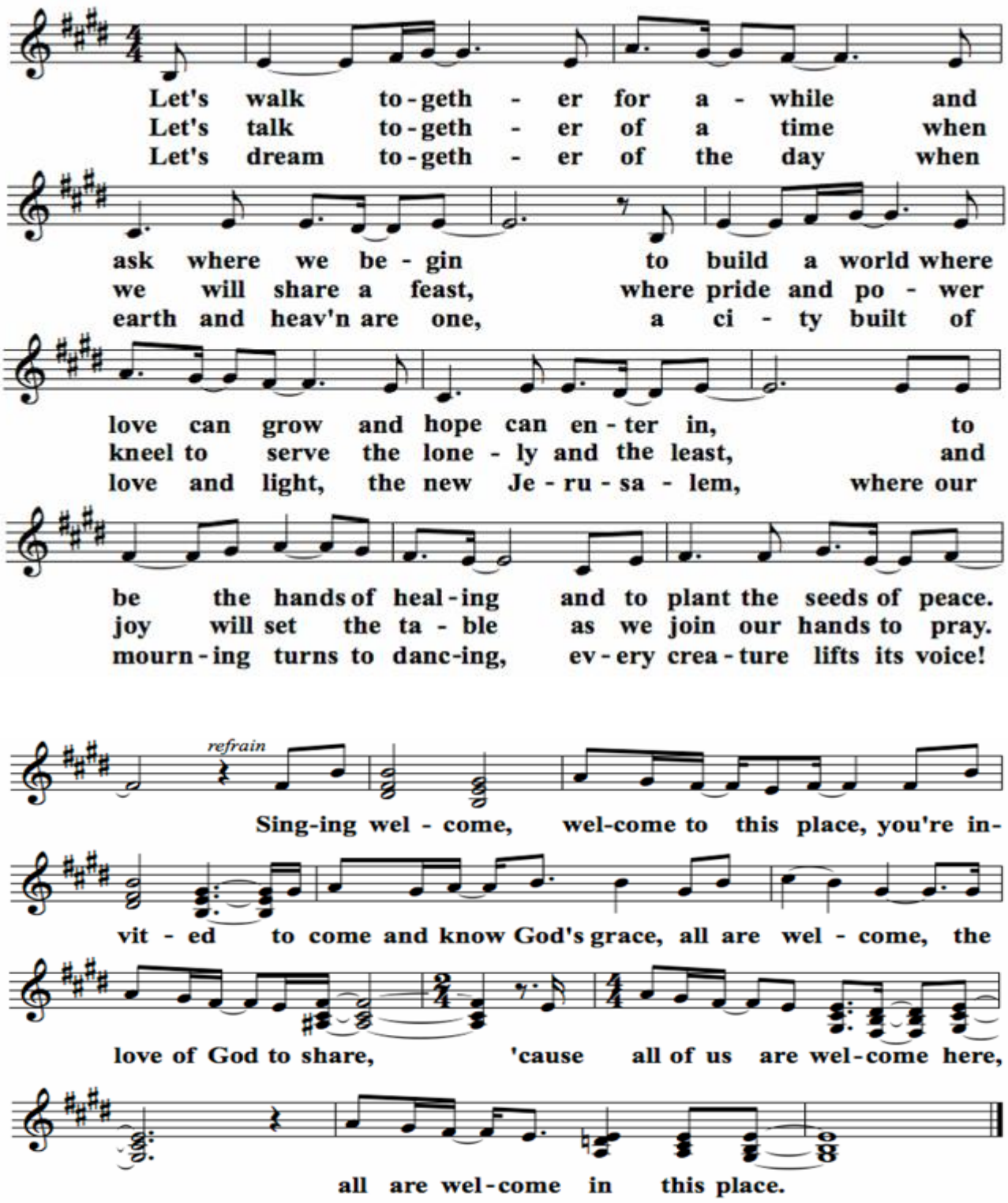
Please take this time to center yourself as we listen to this morning's prelude.

Prelude — Venya Blokh

† Call to Worship – Responsive — The Moses Moment by Andrew King edited/smp

One: The morning sun rises into an autumn ripened sky
splitting our gray morning open like softened stone.
Many: And something gentle is spilling through,
embracing us in the curl of a vast upturned palm…
One: It's the light touch of God's wide and welcoming hand.
Many: And did Moses wish he could stay
in just this kind of moment?
One: A moment when grace was unfolding around him and within him…
Many: And do we wish we could stay
In just this kind of moment?
One: A moment when God's grace enfolds and encompasses us…
All: Yes, let us take God's wide and welcoming hand
and walk together into the days and nights ahead.

† Song of Gathering **_Welcome_** Insert



Children's Time

All: **Grace and peace to you, our children. We will always give thanks for you. We pray for you constantly because we love you. We love you just as God loves you. Amen.**

Anthem *"Sing Ye Joyfully"* Besig

Lyrics on pg 9.

Children are invited to age-appropriate Faith Formation activities following this portion of the service.

ENGAGING

Scripture Reading Exodus 33:12-23 OT pg. 80

Lector: Jen Kann

Sermon Steven Price

Music for Reflection Venya Blokh

RESPONDING

Offertory Sentence and Prayer

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 webpage. We are grateful.

Offertory Prayer

† 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.)

THE LORD'S SUPPER

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 **double file** to receive a piece of gluten-free bread from the pastor and a cup of grape juice from one of the elders, returning to your seats by the outer aisle.*

***NOTE:** Should you feel unable to come forward, then please ask a neighbor to bring you back a cup and cube of bread, both will be blessed, as will your neighbor who is able to share this sacred meal with you.*

Our Community at Prayer

Community Prayer – Unison Kathy Crawford

Creator God, thank you for the gradually changing colors of autumn leaves…
Thank you for the rich smell of casseroles and apple crisps cooking in the oven…
Thank you for the geese flying overhead, honking encouragement to their aerial team…
Thank you for the laughter of children as they kick their way through piles of fallen leaves…
Thank you, Creative CREATOR, that we once again get to celebrate the gift you bring us this season… the gift of autumn. **Amen**

Hear now our community prayers and those of the world…

After request…

Leader says: God in your goodness or grace or mercy,
People respond: Hear our Prayer.

Let us now 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 Chalice Hymnal, No. 66

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

This old hymn seems to fit so beautifully with the Exodus story today… Immortal invisible… hid from our eyes!

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

(continued)

To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.

Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all praises we render: O help us to see
that only the splendor of light hideth thee.

† Benediction

When we cry to God, looking for favor in God's sight,
God answers:
"My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."

So let us go forth, assured that God will go with us,
and that rest, perfect rest will come. **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.

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.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Elders ..... Connie Bottoni & Kathy Schaefer
ZOOM Host ..... Barbara Coe
ZOOM Room Elder ..... Pam Bakst

Deacons ..... David Dobbins

Greeter ..... Jane Greer

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.

Coffee Fellowship is provided in the Fellowship Hall following worship. Enrich your life and strengthen our fellowship by introducing yourself to someone you don't know. Refreshments are needed on an on-going basis. **Please periodically bring a snack to share. Deliver it to the kitchen prior to worship.**

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.

A BLESSINGS UNDANT

Thursday, October 22nd – Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers are needed from 12:30 – 4 PM with Food Distribution taking place between 2 and 4 PM. With an adequate number of volunteers, we're usually done by 4 PM which is AWESOME!

Please TEXT or message Pastor Steven at 585.733.7121 if you can lend a helping hand (or two!). ALSO, mark on your calendars the next date for Abundant Blessings: **Thursday, November 26th**

Save the Date

Cabin Party - Saturday, November 14th at 3 PM. Details and ticket sales to follow.

Stewardship and Finance

2027 Stewardship Campaign

The 2027 Stewardship Campaign theme is 'Openness' — inspired by CCC's new tagline, "Open minds. Open hearts. Open table." In a world marked by division, fear, and scarcity, we welcome everyone to belong and be nourished, body and soul. As we look toward 2027, we invite you to open your hands in generous support of our ministries and consider increasing your financial gift to serve the increasing needs in our community.

Please submit your Intent to Give online at https://communitychristianchurch.breezechms.com/form/itg27 or using the QR code or returning your Intent to Give card to the plate in the narthex no later than Sunday, October 25. If you get your pledge in early, you will be entered in a drawing for a $50 gift card!

If you have questions about giving, please direct them to our Financial Secretary, Sara Kuehl, at finsecty.ccc@gmail.com. She will handle your questions confidentially.

Blessings,
Your Stewardship & Finance Team

Oktoberfest coming soon

Join us for Oktoberfest immediately after church on Sunday, October 25th! This is a major fundraiser for CCC, last year raising over $4,000, including donations. Most of that is from the Silent Auction that happens during the event. We get donations from local businesses, restaurants, grocery stores, you name it, but the majority of items available for bid come from us. Thank you to everyone who has donated or committed to an event, thus far. We need more! 😊 It can be anything from a special dinner at your home, game nights, craft items, to food items. Everyone can participate.

We will have grilled bratwurst and hot dogs, sauerkraut, mixed green salad, apple crisp, and more! Tickets are on sale for $5 adults, $2 children, with a maximum of $15 per family.

If you have questions, contact Bill Kelly at his CCC e-mail: bill.kelly@cccopentoall.org and/or you may call or text him at 585-217-1757.

Best Wishes to Those Celebrating This Week

Birthdays

Oct	18	
Oct	19	Dee Staley
Oct	21	Janet Herman
Oct	22	Danny Dobbins
Oct	23	Jen Kann
Oct	24	Heather Charlton
		Tony Rizzo

Anniversaries

Denton Brown & Shawna Lusk

◆ THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE ◆

Sunday, October 18th	10:00 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 AM	Hybrid Worship – Masks optional
	11:40 AM	Fellowship Time
Monday, October 19th	10:00 AM	Fiber Friends – Church office
	6:30 PM	Girl Scout Leader Training – FH
Tuesday, October 20th	10:00 AM	Hopes and Prayers (ZOOM)
	4:00 PM	Kirby Farms CSA Pick Up
	7:00 PM	Book Club - Kathy Schaefer's home 508 Panorama Trail
	10:00 PM	Deadline for Bulletin Announcements
Wednesday, Oct 21st	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, October 22nd	12:30 PM	Abundant Blessings til 4:00 pm
Friday, October 23rd	5:00 PM	Oktoberfest Set Up
Saturday, October 24th	9:00 AM	The Caring Music Group – FH til noon
Sunday. October 25th	10:00 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 AM	Hybrid Worship – Masks optional
	11:40 AM	Fellowship Time
	11:45 PM	Oktoberfest

◆ OUR CHURCH AT WORK ◆

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

Pastor Steven can be reached at 733-7121 or RevStevenCCC@gmail.com.

Ryan Hubbell, Office Administrator

Ryan can be reached at penzfann@aol.com or if you need immediate assistance, call him at 617-4009 and leave a message.

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Sing Ye Joyfully

Sing ye joyfully unto the Lord! Sing all ye nations! Sing all ye people!
Sing ye joyfully unto the Lord and praise His holy name singing "Alleluia, alleluia!"
Sing a joyful alleluia: Sing ye joyfully unto the Lord!

Sing ye joyfully unto the Lord! Sing of His power, sing of His glory, Sing ye joyfully unto the Lord and praise His holy name singing "Alleluia, alleluia!" Sing a joyful alleluia; sing ye joyfully unto the Lord!

Sing of the beauty of the earth and the glory of His creation!
Sing of the power of His word and the wonder, the wonder of His love!

Sing ye joyfully unto the Lord! Sing all ye nations! Sing all ye people!
Sing ye joyfully unto the Lord and praise His holy name singing "Alleluia, alleluia!"
Sing a joyful alleluia; Sing ye joyfully, sing ye joyfully, Sing ye joyfully unto the Lord!