

**Mother's Day Pothawira Donations.** This Mother's Day (May 9) honor your mother by supporting Pothawira in Malawi. With your gift you will help provide medical care to an impoverished community, educate and care for over 125 orphans and support safe births at its birthing center. To donate online, [click here](#) and select "Malawi-Mothers Day" from the dropdown menu. You can also mail a check to Colonial. Checks can be made to Colonial with "Mothers Day Malawi" in the memo. Thank you!

### **In-Person Worship Information.**

We will

- Hear Joseph play the organ
- Listen to musicians sing hymns and perform other music
- Take Holy Communion in hygienic sealed kits by coming forward
- See liturgists and Children's Conversation leaders on screen. Children will not come forward.
- Offering will be collected in a box in the narthex

We will not

- Sing hymns aloud
- Have Sunday school or nursery service available. Those will return later this summer.
- Host coffee hour, classes or meetings in the building on Sundays. Those will remain online

Other important information

- Masks are required
- Social distancing will be observed
- Restrooms will be open but only one person at a time may use a restroom

The worship protocols likely will evolve as we go along and we will continue to keep you updated.

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**Today's altar flowers** are given by Sue and Randy Freeman in honor of all mothers..

**Sunday Worship Online.** Connect to online live worship service at

<https://colonialucc.online.church/> at 8:30 a.m. or 10:15 a.m.

Or, you can watch our service anytime after 8:30 a.m. on Sundays via YouTube at

<https://bit.ly/CCYouTubeVid>.

**Fellowship Time Between Services.** Grab your coffee, your tea, your beverage of choice and join your fellow Colonialites in our Coffee & Conversation Zoom Room. You can connect at <https://bit.ly/CCCoffeeCon>

**Online Children's Sunday School.** This week's Sunday School Bible story will go live on Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. at <https://bit.ly/CCYouTubeVid> If you know of kids who might enjoy taking part in our Sunday School, invite their parents to sign up to be on the list to receive the weekly materials at <https://bit.ly/CCSSOnline>.

**We're Going to Dance Together on May 23** We are postponing creating our video of the Jerusalema until Pentecost, May 23, but keep practicing. The Jerusalema is a line dance...and we can do this together. On May 23 we will record ourselves dancing together. We're going to put together a video and challenge our friends at Plymouth Church in Lawrence to do the same. Our own Tamara Carson has put together [this video instruction](#) for how to do the Jerusalema - she's even made a low impact and accessible to dance-challenged people.

**Youth Movie Night featuring Madagascar.** Saturday, June 5, 7:30 p.m. outside at Colonial. Popcorn, candy and drinks provided. Bring lawn chairs and blankets.

### **Colonial Women Activities.**

- **Colonial Women Blue Moose Tuesday** - Tuesday, May 11, 5:30 p.m., Blue Moose patio.
- **Colonial Women Book Group** - Friday, June 4, 7:00 p.m., Stacey Algren's home. We will discuss "The French Lieutenant's Woman" by John Fowles.
- **Colonial Women Breakfast/Coffee** - Monday, June 7, 9:30 a.m., Big Biscuit.

**Hymnals Post COVID.** The move to online worship during COVID changed many things. We removed the hymnals from the pews immediately after the pandemic began out of concern for passing the virus by handling them. Our United Church of Christ legal counsel then advised us that singing from hymnals in an online worship service (even if it is live-steamed) is not covered under the hymnal's copyright. A separate license is necessary to do that and our counsel recommended obtaining proper rights through OneLicense.net. However, many of the lyrics in our *New Century Hymnal*, which came out 25 years ago, are not included under this license. Additionally, changes in federal law have made it easier for publishers to pursue legal action against churches. Effectively, our

hymnals became obsolescent. So, we are not planning to return them to the pews in our Sanctuary.

**Your Support Matters.** Even though we are not worshipping in person, our work together matters - to each other and to the community. Your pledges help Colonial to do its work. You may mail in your pledge checks, as well as any other payments. An easier alternative is to send payments online. You just fill in your banking information or provide a credit card and your name and email and what fund you are paying (Stewardship, food pantry, etc.) and the amount. Go to:

[https://colonialucc.breezechms.com/give/online.](https://colonialucc.breezechms.com/give/online)

### **Helping Our Neighbors:**

**VANish the Void Supplies** – Pre-pandemic, Colonial helped Kar Woo and Artists Helping the Homeless by providing and serving a meal in Mill Creek Park once a month for homeless people. We hope to resume that outreach eventually. In the meantime, the Colonial Board of Outreach is providing funds for non-perishable food items for Woo to hand out when he is out in the Be the Change van helping disadvantaged and homeless people in Kansas City. You can give to that effort [here](#) by selecting AHH from the dropdown menu.

**Food Donations** – The need for food is greater than ever. Consider donating to [Cross-Lines Community Services](#) or [Harvesters](#) in their efforts to feed the hungry. For additional ways to help during the pandemic, [click here](#).

**Sermon Podcasts.** Our Sunday sermons are now available as a podcast. You can access the podcasts via our [Sermons](#) page on the Colonial Church website or directly through *Apple Podcasts* or *Stitcher*. The video version continues to be available as well [here](#).

**Save the Date: VBS 2021.** Mark your calendars for July 6-9.

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## **The Week Ahead**

### **Sunday, May 9**

8:30 a.m.-Worship with us online at <https://colonialucc.online.church/>

9:15-Fellowship Time via Zoom. <https://bit.ly/CCCoffeeCon>

9:30-Children's Online Sunday School <https://bit.ly/CCYouTubeVid>

10:15-Worship, Sanctuary

10:15 a.m.- Worship online <https://colonialucc.online.church/>

### **Tuesday, May 11**

9:30 a.m.-Tuesday Book Group

5:30 p.m.-Colonial Women Blue Moose Tuesday, Blue Moose

### **Wednesday, May 12**

9:30 a.m.-Coffee with Pastor Aaron, Heritage Room

### **Thursday, May 13**

10:30 a.m.-Thursday Morning Study Group online

### **Friday, May 14**

9:00 a.m.-Quiltmakers, Social Hall

**www.colonialucc.org**—Learn more about Colonial and its programs.

**Social Media**— Stay up to date with what's happening at Colonial through Facebook and Instagram. Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/colonialucc>; Instagram: colonial\_ucc

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