



(*Be Wrong!* used with permission by Marcus Schaefer)

**Our errors are surely not such awfully solemn things. In a world where we are so certain to incur them in spite of all our caution, a certain lightness of heart seems healthier than this excessive nervousness on their behalf. -William James**



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February 12, 2017  
10:15 a.m.

The Colonial Church in Prairie Village—United Church of Christ  
***What If I'm Wrong?*** Sunday Worship Service  
 in the series “No Certain Faith”

*Please silence your electronic devices in preparation for worship.*

\* Please rise in body or spirit

**We Gather as God's Beloved People**

**Gathering Music**

*Dix*

-Wold

**Welcome and Call to Worship**

(Please sign and pass pew pads and fill out Prayer Request cards you may have. You can place the Prayer Request cards in the offering plates later in the service.)

Leader: God is good...

**People: all the time!**

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\* **Opening Hymn #459 *Come, O Fount of Every Blessing***

**A Time of Confession - Psalm 32**

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**You are my hiding place; protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance. Hear me as I openly share my deception and wrongness with you, LORD...**

Silent Meditation

Assurance of Grace

\* **Sung Response — Gloria #759 adapted**

***Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost.***

***As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.***

***World without end. Amen. Amen.***

\* **Sharing God's Welcome** (Greet everyone in the hope of peace and friendship.)

### **Children's Conversation**

(Children of all ages are welcome to come forward to the chancel steps. Following the Conversation, children are welcome to remain to worship or to participate in our Sunday School.)

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, this little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, this little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

## **We Hear a Word from God**

**A Word in Music**

*Be Still and Know*

-Chapman

**A Word Proclaimed**

-Pastor Aaron Roberts

### **A Deep Question During Jesus' Interrogation**

**John 18:37-38** [Jesus said,] "I was born and came into the world for this reason: to testify to the truth. Whoever accepts the truth listens to my voice."

"What is truth?" Pilate asked.

### **The Need to Hide**

**Genesis 3:6-11** The woman saw that the tree was beautiful with delicious food and that the tree would provide wisdom, so she took some of its fruit and ate it, and also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. Then they both saw clearly and knew that they were naked. So they sewed fig leaves together and made garments for themselves.

During that day's cool evening breeze, they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden; and the man and his wife hid themselves from the LORD God in the middle of the garden's trees. The LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?"

The man replied, "I heard your sound in the garden; I was afraid because I was naked, and I hid myself."

He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Did you eat from the tree, which I commanded you not to eat?"

### **Start Over and See Things Anew**

**John 3:1-3** There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a Jewish leader. He came to Jesus at night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one could do these miraculous signs that you do unless God is with him."

Jesus answered, "I assure you, unless someone is born anew, it's not possible to see God's kingdom."

Express your thoughts via social media #ColonialUCC



Our Lord's Prayer ("Our Father" is the traditional way this prayer begins. You are invited to use whatever name for God you find most meaningful (Father, Mother, Creator, God, etc.). These names for God create a beautiful chorus.)

**Our Father, who 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.**

### **We Depart to Serve**

**\* Hymn #23**

*There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

**\* Renew Our Covenant** (Turn towards the center aisle as we bless one another with the promise of our covenant.)

**We covenant with the Lord and with one another and do bind ourselves in the presence of God to walk together in Christian Love. We seek to worship God in spirit and in truth and to love our neighbors as ourselves. With God's help we will honor Colonial Church in our conduct, support its program, and extend the influence of Christ throughout the world.**

**\* Congregational Song of Blessing #809 *God Be With You***

*God be with you, God be with you, God be with you till we meet again.*

*O God be with you, God be with you, God be with you till we meet again.*

**\* Benediction and Postlude**

*New Britain*

-Kern

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Howard Lee, Harry Morrison,  
Leonore and Ed Rowe

## Colonial Church Bible Study Guide

Our 10:00am Thursday morning Bible Study is beginning a read through of the entire Bible over the course of a few years. Each week we will meet to discuss the readings and explore any questions that come up. If you would like to take part in the study, simply come on Thursdays or signup for the group via InFellowship from the church website.

*Keep the simple point in mind: our primary purpose is not simply learning information about the Bible. It is hearing God speak.*

### **This week's readings:**

Sunday, February 12 - Worship

Monday, February 13 - Read Genesis 39:1-23 - Joseph and Potiphar

Tuesday, February 14 - Read Matthew 13:1-23 - Parable of the Soils

Wednesday, February 15 - Read Matthew 13:24-58 - Parables

Thursday, February 16 - Bible Study at 10am at Colonial Church

Friday, February 17 - No Readings

Saturday, February 18 - Read Genesis 40:1-23 - The Dreams of the Prisoners

United Church of Christ Mission Moment - February 12, 2017  
 From the Heart  
 Matthew 5:21-37

People talk about core values. Businesses gather employees and consultants and make lists and cover walls with sticky notes. Mission statements emerge. Vision Plans are articulated and those core values finally get whittled down. Churches do this. Conferences do this. Our denomination has done this. Jesus did it. In chapter 5 of Matthew's Gospel Jesus lays out the core values for his community of disciples. These values reflect the practices of early Christian churches.

Does your church have a list of core values? Many UCC churches list their Core Values on their web sites. Some of those values are what you might expect, like sharing the Gospel, praying together, following Jesus, being open and affirming, and some have something on their list that is a little different from the others, but they all seem to have Matthew, chapter 5 as their inspiration. Here are some interesting core values from our family of churches:

- *Fellowship with open communication* – Christ Church UCC in Bethlehem, PA
- *Celebrating life with others* – Community Congregational UCC, Benicia, CA
- *Fun and Joy* – Grace UCC, Lancaster, PA
- *Relationship building with the community* – First United Church, Tampa FL
- *To learn from our past...* – Ledyard Congregational UCC, Ledyard, CT
- *We value questioning...* – Cedar Hills UCC, Portland, OR
- *Share our stories* – Congregational Church Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, MI
- *Provide a safe and encouraging environment* – Immanuel UCC, Louisville, KY
- *To stretch themselves* – Archwood UCC, Cleveland, OH
- *Reflect into the World* – Austin Congregational UCC, Austin, MN



## *The Sunday Crier*

February 12, 2017

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### **Colonial Friends to Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art**

In February, Colonial Friends will visit the Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art. We will meet in the church parking lot Wednesday, February 15 at 10:30 a.m., organize carpools and depart by 10:45. The guided tour will begin at 11:15 and will last approx one hour. Lunch will be at Café Sebastienne in the museum. Only cost is your lunch. Please contact Bill or Sharon Yohn (913-339-9862 or hohum2@comcast.net) for reservations.

### **Trivia Night 2017**

Sign up today in the narthex for our annual Trivia Night on Saturday, February 25, at 6:00 p.m, Social Hall. Teams will be comprised of six people. If you don't have a team, we'll help you find a spot on a team. The cost is \$60 per team and you can pay that evening. Bring snacks to share with the whole group. Beverages will be provided. Beer and wine tickets are \$2.00. Child care will be provided at the church but please let us know how many children you are bringing.

### **Refugee Team**

The Justice and Witness Committee is forming a team to explore the possibility of refugee sponsorship and support with Jewish Vocational Services and/or other organizations in order to make recommendations to the congregation of ways to address this issue. Current policies and problems make this an important social justice item that calls us to respond. Please contact Jayne Quimby (jqm333@aol.com or 816-807-3592) to become a member of this team and share your talents and concerns to guide our actions.

### **Vacation Bible School 2017**

Save the date for Maker Fun Factory on July 11-14 at Colonial!

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*Altar  
Flowers*

The beautiful flowers on the altar are given by JAYNE QUIMBY in loving memory of Maxine Quimby.

## HIGHLIGHTS

### Fair Trade Coffee and Chocolate

The Justice and Witness Committee offers a selection of Fair Trade chocolate bars and ground coffee for purchase today after the 10:15 service. The next opportunity will be Mar. 12.

### Centering Prayer for Lent

Instead of giving up something for Lent this year, why not try a new spiritual practice? Join us for a new session of Centering Prayer during Lent. On March 5, 12, 19, 26, and April 2 and 9, we'll meet in the Preschool room downstairs between 9:30 and 10:00. We'll spend a little time checking in and talking about Centering Prayer and then we'll pray together. No preparation is necessary; all are welcome. For more information, contact Elizabeth Uppman at [elizabethuppman@kc.surewest.net](mailto:elizabethuppman@kc.surewest.net).

### Sermon Series: No Certain Faith

There are people who believe they have all the truth, all the wisdom, all the divine favor. When this belief is reinforced religiously, these people can become very dangerous. In the weeks leading up to the season of Lent, we are going to explore living faithfully with our questions and doubts. What If I'm Wrong? - today; Does "Being Good" Count for Anything? - February 19; The Mystery of the Cross - February 26

### Adult Christian Education Series

We are turning to CS Lewis' "Mere Christianity" for our monthly topics. "Mere Christianity" was written after the Second World War, but it addresses some of the basics of faith and morality. His writing is simple and profound. today - What Christians Believe; March 5 - Christian Behaviour; April 9 (Palm Sunday) - Beyond Personality: Or First Steps in the Doctrine of the Trinity. Sign up in the narthex or at <http://tinyurl.com/AdultEd2017>

### Colonial Women Activities

- **Blue Moose Tuesday.** Tuesday, February 14, 5:30 p.m., Prairie Village.
- **Mayflower Guild Ladies Lunch.** Thursday, February 16, 12:00 p.m., Tavern (106th & Mission Rd.). RSVP: Mary Penrose ([Penrose.mary@gmail.com](mailto:Penrose.mary@gmail.com) or 913-707-8904).
- **Book Group.** Friday, February 24, 7:00 p.m., home of Stephanie Graff. Discuss the book *The Art of Hearing Heartbeats* by Jan-Philipp Sendker. The novel is a poignant and inspirational love story set in Burma that spans the decades between the 1950s and the present. It tells a tale of unimaginable hardship, resilience, and passion that will reaffirm the reader's belief in the power of love to move mountains.
- **Alden Guild.** Thursday, March 2, 6:00 p.m., Cactus Grill, 11849 Roe, Leawood, KS

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**THE WEEK AHEAD****TODAY, February 12**

8:30 am—Worship

9:15—That Was the Week That Was, Library

9:15—Adult Christian Education, Cambridge Room

10:15—Worship

10:30—Sunday School

11:15—Coffee & Conversation, Heritage Room

11:30—Council, Social Hall

4:00 pm—OWL, Oberlin Room

**TUESDAY, February 14**

9:30 am—Book Group, Heritage Room

5:30 pm—Colonial Women Blue Moose Tuesday, Prairie Village

**WEDNESDAY, February 15**

9:30 am—Visit with Pastor Aaron, Einstein Brothers - Prairie Village Shops

10:30 am—Colonial Friends, Kemper Museum

7:00 pm—Colonial Choir, Choir Room

**THURSDAY, February 16**

10:00 am—Bible Study, Pastor's Office

12:00 pm—Mayflower Guild, Tavern (106th & Mission Rd.)

6:30 pm—AA, Oberlin Room

**FRIDAY, February 17**

8:30 am—Quiltmakers, Social Hall

**SUNDAY, February 19**

8:30 am—Worship

9:15—That Was the Week That Was, Library

10:15—Worship

10:30—Sunday School

11:15—Coffee & Conversation, Heritage Room

11:15—Board of Christian Education, Oberlin Room

**MONDAY, February 20**

Office Closed—Presidents Day

## GUEST INFORMATION

**Welcome to Colonial Church in Prairie Village!** We are glad you have worshiped with us today. If you have questions or concerns, feel free to call our church office at 913-362-7735. Aaron Roberts, our senior pastor, is here Monday-Thursday of each week and his email address is [aaron@colonialucc.org](mailto:aaron@colonialucc.org).

**A fully staffed nursery** is available each Sunday morning from 8:20 to 11:30 a.m. Ask any of the ushers for directions to the nursery.

**Hearing Devices**—Hearing-assisted devices and large-print bulletins are available in the narthex. The worship service this morning can also be heard in the library.

**Giving Cards**—Giving Cards are available in the pew racks for anyone who contributes financially through EFT or periodically. To participate in the offering, take a card and place it into the offering plate as they are passed.

**Children's Sunday School**—Children preschool through 6th grade may leave after the Children's Conversation at the 10:15 a.m. worship service to go to class.

**Youth Group**—The Colonial Church Youth Group welcomes 7th through 12th grade students. Sunday gatherings are in the youth room (the Savoy Room) at 10:15 a.m. The room is open for youth to come, relax, and enjoy one another's company prior to the Sunday service. Service and fellowship activities are planned throughout the year.

**Colonial Choir**—Choir for all ages. The choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Choir Room, September-May.

**Watch our Weekly Services and Sermons**—You can watch our worship services on YouTube at <http://tinyurl.com/colonialworship-online> and get the sermon, bulletin and study guide on our website. Our 10:15am worship service is live-streamed, so please contact the church office if you have a privacy concern.

**[www.colonialucc.org](http://www.colonialucc.org)**—Learn more about Colonial and its programs.

**Social Media**— Stay up to date with what's happening at Colonial through Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/colonialucc>; Instagram: [colonial\\_ucc](#); Twitter: [#ColonialUCC](#); Follow Pastor Aaron: [@PastorARoberts](#)

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