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Every human being must have boundaries in order to have successful relationships or a successful performance in life.
-Henry Cloud



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June 18, 2017
10:15 a.m.

The Colonial Church in Prairie Village—United Church of Christ
What You Don't Need to Carry Sunday Worship Service

Please silence your electronic devices in preparation for worship.

* Please rise in body or spirit

We Gather as God's Beloved People

Gathering Music

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-Hobby

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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Sacrament of Baptism of Cecily Lanigan

Leader: Friends in Christ, we are here to celebrate the gift of grace in the sacrament of baptism.

People: There is one body and one Spirit. There is one hope in God's call to us. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Creator of us all.

Leader: Jesus came to John to be baptized by him. John tried to stop him and said, "I need to be baptized by you, yet you come to me?"

People: Jesus answered, "Allow me to be baptized now. This is necessary to fulfill all righteousness." So John agreed to baptize Jesus.

Leader: When Jesus was baptized, he immediately came up out of the water. Heaven was opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God coming down like a dove and resting on him.

People: A voice from heaven said, "This is my Son whom I dearly love; I find happiness in him."

Leader: At another time Jesus said: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything that I've commanded you."

Baptismal Hymn #325 *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise*

* **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 Proclaimed

-Pastor Aaron Roberts

Important Hiking Guideline

Galatians 6:5 Each person will have to carry their own load.

Φορτίον - Greek word for "load," what you are responsible for carrying.

Christianity's Version of the Golden Rule

Mark 12:31 You will love your neighbor as yourself.

Jesus' Parents Get Upset with Him

Luke 2:41-52 Each year [Jesus'] parents went to Jerusalem for the Passover Festival. When he was 12 years old, they went up to Jerusalem according to their custom. After the festival was over, they were returning home, but the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents didn't know it. Supposing that he was among their band of travelers, they journeyed on for a full day while looking for him among their family and friends.

When they didn't find Jesus, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple. He was sitting among the teachers, listening to them and putting questions to them. Everyone who heard him was amazed by his understanding and his answers.

When his parents saw him, they were shocked. His mother said, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Listen! Your father and I have been worried. We've been looking for you!"

Jesus replied, "Why were you looking for me? Didn't you know that it was necessary for me to be in my Father's house?"

But they didn't understand what he said to them. Jesus went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. His mother cherished every word in her heart. Jesus matured in wisdom and years, and in favor with God and with people.

The Burdens We Help Each Other Carry

Galatians 6:2 Carry each other's burdens and so you will fulfill the law of Christ.

βάρος - Greek word for "burden," a weight you cannot handle yourself.

Express your thoughts via social media #ColonialUCC

We Respond with Gratitude and Prayer

* Hymn #407

How Firm a Foundation

A Time of Gifts and Offerings

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory
Spiritual

Glory, Glory Hallelujah

-Traditional

(Our weekly offering includes food collected in the red wagon to help fill local pantries.)

Doxology (#780 adapted; tune Old Hundredth)

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host:
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.***

* Blessing the Offering

Gracious God, we offer our gifts as an act of extravagant faith. Bless this offering, that it might be a witness to your realm of forgiveness, justice, and healing. May this act of sharing shape us to show great generosity throughout the coming week. In your many names we pray, Amen.

A Time of Prayer

Prayers of the People

Believing that each joy and/or concern expressed is indeed a prayer, after each expression, the Pastor will say:

LORD, in your mercy.

And the people may respond:

Hear our prayer.

Praying in Silence

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

Blessing Stacey Algren's Mission to Malawi

Holy Spirit, you have called this community of faith to serve the world. Today we ask for you to bless Stacey as she travels to Malawi with your power to heal and love. Help her be safe and diligent in her work so that your holy will may be done. We are united with her in Christ's ministry to the glory of God. Amen!

*** Hymn #82 *Go, My Children, with My Blessing***

*** 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** *Ach Gott, von Himmel sieh darin* -Pachelbel

Parents of the Baptized Child: Angela and Sean Lanigan

Liturgist:	Bekki Walsh
Videographer:	Tim Taylor
Worship Graphics Operator:	Hayden Ferguson
Children's Conversation:	Camille Breckenridge
Hospitality Table:	Martha Wofford
Head Usher:	Bruce Wofford
Ushers:	Cindy Lafferty, Doug Welch Bruce Wofford, Bill Yohn

United Church of Christ Mission Moment - June 18, 2017
Genesis 18:1-15, (21:1-7)

Sarah Laughed

Stories always have many viewpoints. In Genesis, the ancient and elderly Abraham is sitting by a tree and three men appear. Abraham, recognizing them as divine emissaries, invites them to a meal and orders Sarah (his ancient and elderly wife) to make them food. After she has served them, she sits, out of sight, and listens. The four men set about to discuss Sarah's future pregnancy. Sarah laughs . . . out loud. Wouldn't you? What a ridiculous idea it was that an old lady should get pregnant. Of course, if Abraham is going to be the father of a great nation somebody has to get pregnant, and in this ancient tale of wandering tribes and tent societies Sarah is the only choice for matriarch. But still she is scolded for her laugh. Perhaps there is ancient embedded wisdom in the Erma Bombeck quote, "If you can laugh at it, you can live with it."

As old as the old tales are, there isn't much about human beings that hasn't been told. Many a sitcom has begun with a spouse bringing unexpected company home for dinner. The saga of Abraham and Sarah is a story that walks between worlds of social class, power and gender. In these motifs we can read a lot that resonates with our contemporary world.

Glennon Doyle Melton is a best-selling author who reflects on such contemporary stories. She facilitates an online community called Momastery. Her quirky take on motherhood, family, politics, religion, and women's lives has resonated with many around the country, and she will be a featured speaker at General Synod 2017 on Saturday, July 1. General Synod meets every other year and it is the body that steers the work of the United Church of Christ. People from all walks of life, from all over the country and the world gather to vote on resolutions, elect officers and create a vortex of denominational energy. This year we will meet in Baltimore, Maryland, and the theme is "Make Glad." Gathered in that one body, the delegates that will make up that Synod each bring their own stories, like Sarah's, that shine a light on both what unites and divides us.



The Sunday Crier

June 18, 2017

Living the Questions 2.0 Sunday Morning ACE. Begins Sunday, July 9. People know that, at its core, Christianity has something good to offer humanity. At the same time, many have a sense that they are alone in being a “thinking” Christian and that “salvaging” Christianity is a hopeless task. Living the Questions is a safe environment where people have permission to ask the questions they’ve always wanted to ask but have been afraid to voice for fear of being thought a heretic. We will begin the Living the Questions sessions in our Sunday morning Adult Christian Education on July 9 at 9:15 a.m. in the Cambridge Room (It’s usually the 2nd Sunday of the month). Signup at <https://colonialucc.infellowship.com/Group/Show/2084138>

Colonial Friends to Johnson County Arts and Heritage Center. Colonial Friends will visit the new heritage center on Wednesday, June 21. Leave the Colonial parking lot at 9:30 a.m. and carpool to the former King Louie building at 8788 Metcalf Avenue for a 10:00 a.m. tour. The center houses the Johnson County Museum as well as many types of arts classes and cultural learning opportunities. Admission is \$4 for non-museum members as well as an additional \$5 tour fee for everyone. Following the tour, the group will have lunch at First Watch, 83rd and Mission Road. Today is the deadline to RSVP to Catherine Bowser at 913-381-0430 or Bowcat2@aol.com.

Cross-Lines Food Pantry Is Out of Food! There has been a 60% increase in people served by the Cross-Lines Food Pantry since January, and they have used up all the money for 2017 to buy food. You can help by going to the pantry’s GoFundMe page (<https://www.gofundme.com/fillthefoodpantryshelvesNOW>). The Board of Outreach has also decided to send food to Cross-Lines once a month from the Little Red Wagon in the narthex.

*Altar
Flowers*

The beautiful flowers on the altar are given by the JILL BUCKSTEAD in honor of her family.

Sign Up for VBS! July 11-14. God Built You for a Purpose! Calling all kids 4 years old through 6th grade. Join us for four days of fun, 9:00-11:30 a.m. Go to <http://tinyurl.com/colonial-vbs17> to register children.

Fellowship Beverage/Snack Hosts. We are seeking people to host the fellowship time after 10:15 service in the Heritage Room on Sundays. They provide a beverage and snack, set up the room, visit with guests, and clean up. This typically requires 15 minutes before end of service for setup and 30 minutes after church for hosting and clean-up. Sign up online at <https://tinyurl.com/colonial-worship2017>. Scroll down to find available dates. Please contact Barrie Herbst (913-859-9320; bherbst@pbnmed.com) for training prior to your Sunday volunteer time.

Shoes That Grow — We would like to again purchase the Shoes That Grow for our Vacation Bible School mission project. Last year the kids raised funds for 100 pairs of shoes. We would like to send this to Malawi with Stacey Algren when she goes in July. Since she leaves the week before VBS, we need to sell car wash coupons before the car wash. This is an interesting economics lesson for the kids. If you would like to donate in the collection plate, just mark your checks for "VBS shoes."

Colonial Women Activities

- **Coffee.** Monday, July 3, 9:30 a.m., Big Biscuit.
- **Blue Moose Tuesday.** Tuesday, July 11, 5:30 p.m., Prairie Village.

Help with Worship Music During the Summer. This summer we want your help with planning our special music during worship. So, we'd like you to tell us what hymn, instrumental, or spiritually significant song that you'd like to have as part of our Sunday morning worship. You are welcome to offer to perform the music, have Joseph play it, or suggest the recorded version that we use. Please enter your suggestion at: <http://tinyurl.com/summer-worship>

Feed the Hungry Donations. Thanks to all who make a habit of bringing a contribution of food for the red wagon in the narthex. Each Sunday the contents are delivered to the Village Church Food Pantry, who distribute items to patrons all over the Kansas City area. You can also write a check for the collection plate marked "Food Pantry" on the memo line. You do make a difference. Be a part!

Fair Trade Coffee and Chocolate. The Justice and Witness Committee offers a selection of Fair Trade chocolate bars and ground coffee for purchase in the narthex following the 10:15 service on the second Sunday of each month. The next opportunity will be July 9.

The Week Ahead**TODAY, June 18**

8:30 am—Worship

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

10:15—Worship

10:30—Sunday School

11:15—Lemonade & Conversation, Heritage Room

TUESDAY, June 20

9:30 am —Book Group, Heritage Room

WEDNESDAY, June 21

9:30 am—Colonial Friends, Johnson County Arts and Heritage Center

THURSDAY, June 22

9:00 am—Care Committee, Heritage Room

6:30 pm—AA, Oberlin Room

SUNDAY, June 25

8:30 am—Worship

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

10:15—Worship

10:30—Sunday School

11:15—Lemonade & Conversation, Heritage Room

2:00 pm—Artists Helping Homeless Cooking, Social Hall

TUESDAY, June 27

9:30 am —Book Group, Heritage Room

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.

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—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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