



(A Creature of Mystery used with permission by Kasun Fernando.)

**It is all too common for caterpillars to become butterflies and then maintain that in their youth they had been little butterflies.**      -G. E. Vaillant



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June 19, 2016  
10:15 a.m.

**The Colonial Church in Prairie Village—United Church of Christ  
“Learning from Your Mistakes” Father’s Day Sunday Worship Service  
in the series *More Than Common Phrases***

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

\* Please rise in body or spirit

**We Gather as God’s Beloved People**

**Gathering Music**

*Lied*

-Vierne

**Honoring the Names of Those Slain in Orlando**

**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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\* **Hymn #11**

***Bring Many Names***

**A Time of Confession**

Invitation to Confession

“Now is the time when we bring our own stories before God...”

Prayer of Confession

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 - Songs from VBS**

(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 Solomon the Wise**

-Pastor Aaron Roberts

**1 Kings 3:3-14** Solomon loved to walk in the laws of his father David, *with the exception that he also sacrificed and burned incense at the shrines.*

The king went to the great shrine at Gibeon in order to sacrifice there. He used to offer a thousand entirely burned offerings on that altar. The LORD appeared to Solomon at Gibeon in a dream at night. God said, "Ask whatever you wish, and I'll give it to you."

Solomon responded, "You showed so much kindness to your servant my father David when he walked before you in truth, righteousness, and with a heart true to you. You've kept this great loyalty and kindness for him and have now given him a son to sit on his throne. And now, LORD my God, you have made me, your servant, king in my father David's place. But I'm young and inexperienced. I know next to nothing. But I'm here, your servant, in the middle of the people you have chosen, a large population that can't be numbered or counted due to its vast size. Please give your servant a discerning mind in order to govern your people and to distinguish good from evil, because no one is able to govern this important people of yours without your help."

It pleased the LORD that Solomon had made this request. God said to him, "Because you have asked for this instead of requesting long life, wealth,

or victory over your enemies - asking for discernment so as to acquire good judgment - I will now do just what you said. Look, I hereby give you a wise and understanding mind. There has been no one like you before now, nor will there be anyone like you afterward. I now also give you what you didn't ask for: wealth and fame. There won't be a king like you as long as you live. And if you walk in my ways and obey my laws and commands, just as your father David did, then I will give you a very long life."

### **Solomon Honors God, But Honors Himself More...**

**1 Kings 6:38-7:1** [Solomon] finished the temple in all its details and measurements in the eleventh year during the eighth month, the month of Bul. He built it in *seven* years.

Now as for Solomon's palace, it took *thirteen* years for him to complete its construction...

### **Solomon Loses the Kingdom**

**1 Kings 11:31-33** The LORD, has said, 'Look, I am about to tear the kingdom from Solomon's hand. I will give you ten tribes. But I will leave him one tribe on account of my servant David and on account of Jerusalem, the city I have chosen from all the tribes of Israel. I am doing this because they have abandoned me and worshipped the Sidonian goddess Astarte, the Moabite god Chemosh, and the Ammonite god Milcom. They haven't walked in my ways by doing what is right in my eyes - keeping my laws and judgments - as Solomon's father David did.

### **End of Life Wisdom**

**Ecclesiastes 1:1 & 12:1-2,7,13** The words of the Teacher, son of David, king in Jerusalem...

Remember your Creator in your days of youth, before the days of trouble arrive, and those years, about which you'll say, "I take no pleasure in these" - before the sun and the light grow dark, the moon and the stars too....before your dust returns to the earth as it was before and the life-breath returns to God who gave it.

So this is the end of the matter; all has been heard. Worship God and keep God's commandments because this is what everyone must do.

Express your thoughts via social media at #ColonialUCC

## **We Respond with Gratitude and Prayer**

\* Hymn #350

*Now in the Days of Youth*

### **A Time of Gifts and Offerings**

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*Come Sunday*

-Duke Ellington arr. Parker

(Our weekly offering includes food collected 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

**Holy One, You give us all that we need to live even when we fail to believe in You. Renew our strength and our joy for planting your seeds of justice in the world. 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**

\* Hymn #429

***God, Bless Our Homes***

\* **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 *Aus meines Herzens Grunde***

-J.C. Bach

Liturgist:	Diane Kuhn
Videographer:	Geoff Robinson
Worship Graphics Operator:	Sally Huggins
Children's Conversation:	Martha Wofford
Greeters:	Bob and Barbara Hicks
Head Usher:	Bob LeVeau
Ushers:	Leonore and Ed Rowe, Carolyn Pitts

## Those Killed Last Sunday in Orlando

Because the grief and loss of LGBTQ life is so big. Because we live in times of polarization and Islamophobia. Because mass shootings are no longer surprising. Christ's church cannot be silent. We are those who remember and speak these names in love and ask for justice.

- Edward Sotomayor Jr., 34
- Stanley Almodovar III, 23
- Luis Omar Ocasio-Capo, 20
- Juan Ramon Guerrero, 22
- Eric Ivan Ortiz-Rivera, 36
- Peter O. Gonzalez-Cruz, 22
- Luis S. Vielma, 22
- K.J. Morris, 37
- Eddie Jamoldroy Justice, 30
- Anthony Luis Laureano Disla, 25
- Jean Carlos Mendez Perez, 35
- Franky Jimmy Dejesus Velazquez, 50
- Amanda Alvear, 25
- Martin Benitez Torres, 33
- Luis Daniel Wilson-Leon, 37
- Mercedes Marisol Flores, 26
- Xavier Emmanuel Serrano Rosado, 35
- Gilberto Ramon Silva Menendez, 25
- Simon Adrian Carrillo Fernandez, 31
- Oscar A Aracena-Montero, 26
- Enrique L. Rios Jr., 25
- Miguel Angel Honorato, 30
- Javier Jorge-Reyes, 40
- Joel Rayon Paniagua, 32
- Jason Benjamin Josaphat, 19
- Cory James Connell, 21
- Juan P. Rivera Velazquez, 37
- Luis Daniel Conde, 39
- Shane Evan Tomlinson, 33

- Juan Chevez-Martinez, 25
- Darryl Roman Burt II, 29
- Deonka Deidra Drayton, 32
- Alejandro Barrios Martinez, 21
- Jerald Arthur Wright, 31
- Leroy Valentin Fernandez, 25
- Tevin Eugene Crosby, 25
- Jonathan Antonio Camuy Vega, 24
- Jean C. Nives Rodriguez, 27
- Rodolfo Ayala-Ayala, 33
- Brenda Lee Marquez McCool, 49
- Yilmery Rodriguez Solivan, 24
- Christopher “Drew” Leinonen, 32
- Angel L. Candelario-Padro, 28
- Frank Hernandez Escalante, 27
- Paul Terrell Henry, 41
- Akyra Monet Murray, 18
- Christopher Joseph Sanfeliz, 24
- Antonio Davon Brown, 29
- Geraldo A. Ortiz-Jimenez, 25



# *The Sunday Crier*

June 19, 2016

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## **It Takes a Village to Maintain a Church!**

Over the last few years, the Board of Property Management has gotten older (as we all have) and smaller, and it is now almost impossible for the board to complete all the necessary tasks by itself. Given that situation, here is an opportunity to help out that doesn't require attending meetings, a three-year commitment, or doing more than one project a year (unless you choose to do so).

We are setting up some care groups to help take care of Colonial. These groups would meet once a year and complete one designated task. We have already started forming one group. A special thank you goes out to Randy and Sue Freeman, frequent visitors to Colonial, who have agreed to be the first members of our Hedge Trimming Care Group. They came up Friday, June 10, and trimmed the hedges in front of the church. Next year, with an additional member or two, the group can trim all of our hedges for us. One time, then done. Other groups might include touch up painting, trimming the back lot, mulching and weeding areas not taken care of by the garden club, dusting blinds, and so forth. Look for a list in the next few weeks and PLEASE sign up for one group. Thanks!!!

## **Feed the Hungry Donations**

It's true! Food pantries welcome all the non-perishable foods you donate because they know hungry people will be walking through the doors every day they are open. However, they also welcome foods that need refrigeration as well. Sometimes stores will have special sales on margarine, cheese or other dairy products. Or fruits or vegetables. Gardeners may have abundant crops to share. Any items that won't melt or decompose for about two hours in the red wagon on Sunday morning will conveniently find a cold spot by noon and be delivered the next day. And they will help someone enjoy a more healthy diet.

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*Altar  
Flowers*

The beautiful flowers on the altar are provided by SUSIE UPPMAN in celebration of Jerry & Marilyn Uppman's 60th anniversary on June 23 and Chucho Marquez & Elizabeth Uppman's 25th anniversary on June 29.

## HIGHLIGHTS

**The Shoe That Grows.** Our VBS kids were out washing cars in the blistering heat Friday to raise money for the Shoe That Grows. If you weren't able to come by, you can still help. \$15 buys one shoe that a child can wear for 5 years! Mark your check or envelope "shoes" and put it in the collection plate this morning to support our VBS kids.

**The Colonial Tween Squad, (C.T.S.)** would like to thank everyone once again for supporting their first community service project for The Spofford Home. With your help, C.T.S. collected \$562, along with many useful summer items for other children in need. To show their appreciation, C.T.S. will be serving baked goods after the church services on Sunday, June 26. Please join us.

**Standing Naked Before God Study Group.** Sitting with the pain and joy of being a human, while refusing to run for any exits, is the only way to become a real human being. Brave is a decision. Email Rev. Caitie Smith at [caitie.smith@colonialucc.org](mailto:caitie.smith@colonialucc.org) if you are interested in joining the study. The group meets Sundays in the Library immediately after the 10:15 a.m. service.

**Join Artists Helping the Homeless and Colonial Church** on the 4th Sunday of every month as we seek to serve those in need. Help is needed for shopping, cooking, baking, and serving the meal. Meals will be served by the JC Nichols Fountain on the Plaza, from 4:30-6:00 p.m. Sign up online at <http://tinyurl.com/AHH-Colonial>.

### Colonial Women Activities

- **Book Group.** Friday, July 8 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Stephanie Graff, 4141 W. 111th Terrace, Leawood, KS 66211. The group will be discussing *A Little Life* by Hanya Yanagihara.
- **Blue Moose Tuesday.** Tuesday, July 12, 5:30 p.m. Blue Moose in Prairie Village.

**Become a Stephen Minister.** Stephen Ministers are people who are called and equipped and trained to provide high-quality, confidential, Christ-centered care to people who are hurting. A Stephen Minister works with Pastor Aaron in caring for people in our community. Beginning in September, we are looking to train our first group of Stephen Ministers. The training will be Wednesday evenings at Village Church from 6:30-8:30pm, and those completing the training will be commissioned in January 2017. Email Pastor Aaron, at [aaron@colonialucc.org](mailto:aaron@colonialucc.org) to learn more or to register.

**Fair Trade Coffee and Chocolate.** The Justice and Witness Committee will offer a selection of Fair Trade chocolate bars and ground coffee for purchase the second Sunday of each month following the 10:15 service.

**THE WEEK AHEAD****TODAY — June 19**

8:30 a.m.—Worship.

9:15 a.m.—That Was the Week That Was, Library.

10:15 a.m.—Worship.

10:30 a.m.—Sunday School.

11:15 a.m.—Lemonade on the Lawn.

11:15 a.m.—Standing Naked Before God Study Group, Library.

**TUESDAY, June 21**

9:30 a.m.—Book Group, Heritage Room.

7:00 p.m.—Board of Property Management, Oberlin Room.

**THURSDAY, June 23**

9:00 a.m.—Care Committee, Heritage Room.

**SUNDAY, June 26**

8:30 a.m.—Worship.

9:15 a.m.—That Was the Week That Was, Library.

10:15 a.m.—Worship.

10:30 a.m.—Sunday School.

11:15 a.m.—Lemonade on the Lawn.

**MONDAY, June 27**

9:30 a.m.—Colonial Women Board, Oberlin Room.

**TUESDAY, June 28**

9:30 a.m.—Book Group, Heritage Room.

**WEDNESDAY, June 29**

9:30 a.m. —Visit with Pastor Aaron, Einstein's in Prairie Village.

**FRIDAY, July 1**

8:30 a.m.—Quiltmakers, Social Hall.

## 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.

**Listen to our Weekly Messages**—You can listen to the sermon and get the bulletin and study guide on our website.

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