



*Papyrus 66*, public domain.

**Don't walk behind me; I may not lead.**

**Don't walk in front of me; I may not follow.**

**Just walk beside me and be my friend.      -Albert Camus**



**Colonial Church**  
*in Prairie Village*

www.colonialucc.org  
913-362-7735

February 4, 2018  
10:15 a.m.

**The Colonial Church in Prairie Village—United Church of Christ**  
**“Lead Us Not into Temptation” Sunday Worship Service**  
**in the series *A Line from the Lord’s Prayer***

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

*\* Please rise in body or spirit.*

**We Gather as God’s Beloved People**

**Gathering Music**

*Hankey*

Diemer

**Welcome and Announcements**

*Please sign and pass the pew pads. Prayer request cards are available for prayers you would like to bring to the clergy and/or congregation. Cards may be placed in the offering plate later in the service.*

**Call to Worship**

Leader: Jesus has said to us:

**People: “Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.”**

Leader: Jesus has said to us:

**People: “Pray for the kingdom to come, on earth as it is in heaven.”**

Leader: Jesus is calling us today:

**People: We pray for God’s will to be done in us, by serving one another, and sharing the love of Jesus in all we do.**

Leader: Jesus is calling us in this moment to worship:

**People: We join our hearts together, serving God by serving one another, lifting up our hearts in prayer and praise.**

**\* Opening Hymn #479**

*God Is My Shepherd*

**Opening Prayer**

*The first Sunday of February is designated as “Scout Sunday” in many faith traditions. Today our opening prayer honors those who have been impacted by scouting traditions.*

Leader: On this day, O God, we recognize our girls and boys, young men and women, adult leaders, volunteers, and cookie buyers.

**People: We pray, dear God, for strength and wisdom so that we may honor you by our service to others in our community.**

Leader: Let your Spirit be upon us to keep us from all harm, to develop our minds, bodies, and spirits, and to accompany us through life's journeys.

**People: Help us to follow the way of Jesus with such faithfulness that we become his servants, embodying his teachings about love and forgiveness.**

Leader: Teach us to know right from wrong and always to select the right. Make us witnesses to the gospel of peace in a world that is often in conflict.

**People: For yours is the kingdom above every kingdom and the power and glory beyond all other power and glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**\* 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**

*Please take a moment to 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 in worship or to participate in our Sunday School program. As the children leave, the congregation sings together:*

***This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. (Repeat 3 times.)***

***Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.***

## We Hear a Word from God

### A Word Proclaimed

Pastor Aaron Roberts

#### The Greek Phrase in Matthew 6:13 And Luke 11:4

και μη εισενεγκης ημας εις πειρασμον

Translated into English as:

“and lead us not into temptation” or “and do not bring us to the time of trial.”

#### James’ Perspective on Temptation: James 1:13-15

No one who is tested should say, “God is tempting me!” This is because God is not tempted by any form of evil, nor does God tempt anyone. Everyone is tempted by their own cravings; they are lured away and enticed by them. Once those cravings conceive, they give birth to sin; and when sin grows up, it gives birth to death.

#### The Shepherding Leader: Psalm 23:1-4

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name’s sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me.

## We Respond with Gratitude and Prayer

\* Hymn #332

*As We Gather at Your Table*

### A Time of Gifts and Offerings

Invitation to the Offering

*Our weekly offering includes food items collected in the red wagon to help fill our local food pantries.*

Offertory

*Praise God, all ye Christians*

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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

**People:** God of all that is, all we have, all we are – we bring to you these gifts.  
We give of our own lives, knowing what we bring will give so much  
more. Amen.

## A Time of Prayer

Prayers of the People

*Believing that each joy and 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 the name for God that you find most meaningful which may include Father, Mother, Creator, God, etc. The diversity of 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.**

## Sacrament of Holy Communion

### Communion Prayer

Leader: May God be with you

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to God.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the God we love.

**People: We freely give God thanks and praise.**

Holy God, it is right and beautiful that we should give our thanks and praise to you in ceaseless joy. And so in the grateful procession of endless praise with the church that is, was, and shall be forever, we glorify you, joining this unending song:

Sung Response #793

*Sanctus*

***Holy, holy, holy! My heart, my heart adores you!***

***My heart is glad to say the words: you are holy, God.***

### Consecration of the Bread and Cup

Holy are you, Eternal One. You sit above, yet within the circle of the earth, setting light into being, casting the stars in the sky, founding the evolving earth and all that dwell within it.

Limitless is your power, and great is your wisdom. You look upon the lowly as your most cherished creatures. You visit upon the downtrodden with presence, grace, and the promise of eternal justice.

You sent to us your own child, Jesus, who reached into unexpected places, calling women beyond the limits of their times, equipping men for nurturing love, welcoming children into your holy embrace.

And so we recall that on the night of betrayal and desertion, the light of the world took bread, broke and gave it to the disciples, saying: “This is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And, in like manner, after supper, Jesus took the cup and after giving thanks gave it to them saying, “This is the cup of the new covenant poured out for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink of it, for the remembrance of me.”

Leader: And so, with life’s greatest feast before us, we excitedly proclaim:

**People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Dear God, transform, illumine, and bless. Make these ordinary gifts of bread and cup into the extraordinary presence of Christ with us. In so doing, hold us as your own, and renew us as your people for the sake of the world you love. Amen.

### Sharing of the Bread and Cup

*Those who choose may come forward by the center aisle to receive the communion elements. Please take a piece of bread and then dip only the bread in the chalice. You may return to your seat by the outside aisle.*

Communion Anthem *Come Taste the Goodness of the Lord*

J. Martin

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

**People: We have been fed, Holy One, by your presence. We have been led, Eternal One, by your light. May we bask in this glow now and forevermore. Amen.**

## We Depart to Serve

### \* **Renewing Our Covenant**

*You are invited to turn towards the center aisle and bless one another with the promise of the Colonial 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**

*Wojtkiewicz*

Cherwien

### **Worship Leaders**

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| Liturgist:                    | Joan Gilson  |
| Videographer:                 | Geoff Robinson   |
| Worship Graphics Operator:    | Hayden Ferguson  |
| Children's Conversation:      | Aaron Roberts  |
| Hospitality Table:            | Elizabeth Uppman   |
| Head Usher:                   | Harry Morrison   |
| Ushers:                       | Chester Bender, Harry Morrison<br>Kendra Morrison, Bill Yohn |
| Coffee and Conversation Host: | Hope and Wes Cotten  |



# *The Sunday Crier*

February 4, 2018

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## **Congregational Meeting Today**

Join us for a congregational meeting to present and approve the 2018 budget and for approval of the expenditure of up to \$15,000 to replace and upgrade the social hall sound system today after the 10:15 a.m. service. The budget will also be presented following the 8:30 a.m. service.

## **Souper Bowl of Caring Today**

Our youth will be collecting money before and after the 10:15 a.m. service today as part of the Souper Bowl of Caring. This is an annual event that the youth have participated in for several years. Money collected will be donated to Harvesters Community Food Network. Please donate cash or checks for this worthwhile program.

## **Ash Wednesday**

Colonial is observing Ash Wednesday, February 14. You have two opportunities for worship.

- Individually, from 7:30-9:00 a.m. with a drive-thru imposition of ashes. Pastor Aaron will be in the driveway in front of the church to place ashes in the sign of the cross on the foreheads of the faithful.
- Evening worship service, 6:30 p.m., sanctuary. Through four movements we will experience quiet meditation, written prayers, a practice of forgiveness, and the sharing of ashes. The service will last about 30 minutes and is open to all ages.

All who choose to avail themselves of these opportunities are welcome to participate as the season of Lent begins the 40-day period of prayer leading to Easter.

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*Altar  
Flowers*

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

## Colonial Women Activities

- **Breakfast and Coffee.** Monday, February 5, 9:30 a.m. at Big Biscuit.
- **Blue Moose Tuesday.** Tuesday, February 13, 5:30 p.m., Prairie Village Shops.
- **Book Group.** Friday, February 23, 7:00 p.m., Stacey Algren's home. We will be discussing "Three Daughters of Eve" by Elif Shafak.

**Valentine's Day Babysitting.** Take advantage of the babysitting provided by Colonial youth this Valentine's Day. They will be babysitting as a fundraiser on Wednesday, February 14 from 5:00-9:00 p.m. at the church so you can have adult time to celebrate the romantic occasion. Email Youth Director Amy Congdon at amy.congdon@colonialucc.org to reserve your spot. Please let us know the age and number of children, what time they will be there and whether they will bring food or need dinner provided. A simple dinner will be provided for those who request it. This a fundraiser for the youth to attend the Regional Youth Event at Grinnell College in Iowa in June. Please donate the amount you feel is appropriate.

**Colonial Friends To Visit Church of the Resurrection.** Colonial Friends will be touring the new building and seeing the stained glass windows of the Church of the Resurrection on Wednesday, February 21. Those going will meet in the Colonial parking lot at 10:15 and leave at 10:30. The tour should take about 45 minutes. The group will eat at a restaurant near the church after the tour. Please contact Joe Cunningham (runningrev2@aol.com or 913-341-6303) for reservations. We need to know how many are going by Monday, February 19.

**March Trivia Madness.** Our annual Trivia Night this year falls between the Winter Olympics and the NCAA Basketball Tournament on Saturday, March 3, at 6:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. The theme is March Madness and teams are invited to dress in the apparel of their favorite college basketball teams and decorate their tables as they wish. Sign up your team as soon as possible on the poster in the narthex. If you don't have a team, we'll help you find a spot on a team. The cost is \$10 per person and we ask that you limit the size of your team to no more that six persons to maintain an even playing field. You don't have to pay until 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.

**Colonial's Inclement Weather Policy.** The policy for weekdays is to close the church office whenever the Shawnee Mission School District cancels classes for inclement weather. Canceling activities, other than worship services, is the responsibility of the person in charge.

**Feed the Hungry Donations.** Thanks to all who make a habit of bringing a contribution of food for the red wagon in the narthex. Donations are delivered to four different local food pantries – Village Food Pantry, Catholic Charities, Cross-Lines Community Services, and Shawnee Community Services. 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 the second Sunday of the month following the 10:15 service. The next opportunity will be February 11.

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## **The Week Ahead**

### **TODAY, February 4**

8:30 am—Worship  
 9:15—Budget Information Presentation, Sanctuary  
 9:15—That Was the Week That Was, Library  
 9:15—Board of Outreach, Oberlin Room  
 9:30—Choir Rehearsal, Founders Chapel  
 10:15—Worship  
 10:30—Sunday School  
 11:00—Souper Bowl of Caring  
 11:15—Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary  
 11:15—Coffee & Conversation, Heritage Room

### **MONDAY, February 5**

9:30 am—Colonial Women Coffee, Big Biscuit

### **TUESDAY, February 6**

8:00 am—Men’s Breakfast Group, Perkins  
 9:30 am—Book Group, Heritage Room

### **WEDNESDAY, February 7**

9:30 am—Visit with Pastor Aaron, Einstein Brothers in Prairie Village Shops  
 7:00 pm—Colonial Choir

### **THURSDAY, February 8**

12:00 pm—Bible Study  
 6:30 pm—AA, Oberlin Room

*For the full church calendar, visit our website at [colonialucc.org](http://colonialucc.org).*

## **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.

**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. Bible study at 9:15 a.m. Sunday in the youth room (the Savoy Room) with Sunday school 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 10:15 a.m. 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 and Instagram. Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/colonialucc>; Instagram: [colonial\\_ucc](https://www.instagram.com/colonial_ucc)

## **COLONIAL STAFF**

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