

Jesus Washing Feet used with permission by Chen Zhougyu.

There is no fear in love, but perfect love drives out fear, because fear expects punishment. The person who is afraid has not been made perfect in love. We love because God first loved us.

-1 John 4:18-19



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November 4, 2018 10:15 a.m.

# The Colonial Church in Prairie Village—United Church of Christ "Worshipping Together" All Saints' Sunday Worship Service in the series *Better Together*

Please silence your electronic devices in preparation for worship.

\* Please rise in body or spirit.

# We Gather as God's Beloved People

Gathering Music Prelude Vierne

#### 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.

# A Moment to Lay Our Burdens Down

\* Opening Hymn 299

"For All the Saints"

#### A Time of Remembrance

On the observance of All Saints Day, it is a tradition at Colonial to remember the members and friends of our church family who died during the past year or were requested to be remembered. We also celebrate the new lives of those whose journeys have begun during this period.

Reading of Names and Lighting of Candles

#### Prayer of Remembrance and Celebration

Leader: God we are surrounded by a cloud

Faithful witnesses who have gone before

Those who have loved where we would have hated Those who have healed where we would have hurt

Those who have spoken out when we would have remained silent

**People:** God may we walk in their footsteps

Learning courage from their sacrifice

Gaining strength from their faithfulness

Leader: May we learn to give so that others may receive

May we learn to love so that others may be set free

May we learn to die to ourselves so that others might live

People: God may we join that cloud of faithful witnesses

Treading paths of loving obedience

Leaving footprints that others desire to walk in

God may we too lead kingdom lives

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 gather and disperse, 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

# We Are Created for God's Glory — Isaiah 43:6-7

Bring my sons from far away, and my daughters from the end of the earth, everyone who is called by my name and whom I created for my glory, whom I have formed and made

# Jesus' Life Served to Glorify God — John 17:4

I have glorified you on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do.

#### Together We Glorify God — Romans 17:5-7

May the God of endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude toward each other, similar to Christ Jesus' attitude. That way you can glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ together with one voice. So welcome each other, in the same way that Christ also welcomed you, for God's glory.

#### Love Each Other — John 13:34-35

I give you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, so you also must love each other. This is how everyone will know that you are my disciples, when you love each other.

Question? Comment? Express your thoughts with #ColonialUCC.



#### A Word in Our Holy Meal

Communion Prayer

Sharing 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

Celtic Communion

arr. Mark Hayes Elizabeth Uppman, flute

Prayer of Thanksgiving

People:

Holy One, may we be as living loaves, kneaded and shaped by the hands of God. May we be as wine of the Spirit, poured out that others might know joy. Love be the leaven within. Love be the flavor of thought and word and deed. Peace be among us. Amen.

# We Respond with Gratitude and Prayer

#### 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.

Colonial Church: Better Together

Marylee Battaglia

Doxology

Hymn 778; tune Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

\* Blessing the Offering

Based on Psalm 24

People: O God, the earth belongs to you. For the blessings of this life we give you thanks. Help us to see your face among our neighbors so that all may know the wonder of your love. 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.

#### We Depart to Serve

\* **Hymn** 376 "God, We Thank You for Our People"

# \* 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 till we meet again.

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

\* Benediction and Postlude Fredricktown Powell

#### **Worship Leaders**

Liturgist: Cheri Van Orman

Camera Operator: Tim Taylor Worship Graphics Operator: Sally Huggins

Children's Conversation: Pastor Aaron Roberts

Hospitality Table: Kate Nicolai Head Usher: Bruce Wofford

Ushers: Linda Moses, Bill Sanderson

Bruce Wofford, Martha Wofford

Fellowship Host: Martha Wofford

#### **ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**

We remember the members and friends of our church family who died during the past year or were requested to be remembered. We also celebrate the new lives of those whose journeys have begun during this period.

#### **BAPTISMS**

Carolynn Jane Sullivan, April 1, 2018 Iris Amelia Johnston, April 1, 2018 Levi Ramiro-John Chavez, May 13, 2018 Nora Rachel Carson, May 27, 2018 Lowell Ann Ferguson, September 30, 2018

#### **BIRTHS**

Atlas Elliott Fenton, January 20, 2018 Lowell Ann Ferguson, June 6, 2018 Isaac Richard Kromnacker, August 9, 2018 Meredith Anne Donnelly, October 28, 2018

#### **DEATHS**

Barbara Buehler, December 11, 2017
Bob Buehler, June 8, 2018
Wes Burnett, March 19, 2018
Steven Kirk Carson, II, September 19, 2018
Virginia Cass, July 25, 2017
Carol Kromnacker, June 23, 2018
Ed Rowe, May 14, 2018
Lucia Smart, January 7, 2018
Jim Whiles, November 23, 2017



# The Sunday Crier

November 4, 2018

Colonial's Holiday Bazaar Begins Saturday. Please come to our Annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, November 10 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Sunday, November 11 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. This event opens our doors to the community by offering gift ideas, warm food and a sweet treat! Plus 10% of all sales go to the Board of Outreach.

Thanksgiving Dinner on November 18. Join your Colonial family for Thanksgiving dinner Sunday, November 18, at 11:15 a.m. in the Social Hall. The Board of Parish Life will provide the traditional elements of the meal: turkey, dressing, potatoes, rolls and beverages. We need you to bring a special dish that will add variety and spark to the meal. Last names starting with A-G salads, H-M desserts and N-Z hot side dishes. There will be a freewill offering to cover additional expenses.

Colonial Dinner Church Gatherings. Dinner Church is a new opportunity at Colonial to build relationships over a simple meal and liturgy. We gather at 6:00 p.m. and share the tasks of bringing our meal to the table. We engage in conversation around selected themes and support one another in our spiritual journeys. We invite you to join us on an upcoming evening. This is also a great opportunity to invite others to experience the joy of community at Colonial Church. Tomorrow, November 5, 6:00 p.m.: Remembering the Saints in Our Lives; Tuesday, November 20, 6:00 p.m.: The Gratitude Habit

**2019 Altar Flowers.** Please sign up to purchase flowers for our altar for your chosen Sunday in 2019. Your cost is \$50 and you may take the flowers following the 10:15 a.m. service or designate them for the Care Committee to take to homebound or hospitalized members. You can sign up in the narthex today.



The flowers on the altar are given by Marylee Battaglia in memory of Dora Swain.

The rose on the altar is to celebrate the birth of Meredith Anne Donnelly.

Colonial Friends Lunch. On Wednesday, November 14, Colonial Friends will journey to McCormick and Schmick's on the Plaza for lunch at 11:30. We have reservations for 15-20 people and will be doing separate checks. RSVP by November 7 to Bill Sanderson via email (bills043@gmail.com) or tell him at church and let him know whether you need a ride. Carpool from Colonial at 11:00 or meet at the restaurant at 11:30.

Calling Colonial Crafters. If you enjoy spending time crafting, your skills are needed for an upcoming art project for Colonial Church. We are creating a "paper lace banner" for our worship space in the upcoming Advent season. This is also an opportunity to build friendships across the church. Would you like to participate in one or more crafty gatherings? Please contact Nikki Woolsey at nikki.woolsey@colonialucc.org or by calling the church office.

Christmas Pageant 2018. Plans are underway for the 2018 Christmas Pageant at Colonial. The pageant will be presented during the worship service at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, December 24. The pageant is led by the Youth Group with support from the Colonial Tween Squad. This year we are also inviting the children's Sunday School class to participate. For more information or to volunteer to help with the event, contact Nikki Woolsey at nikki.woolsey@colonialucc.org or by calling the church office.

Help Needed for our Meals for the Homeless! We need volunteers to help with the meal we serve the fourth Sunday of each month to the homeless. We need people to bake cookies and come to the church kitchen the afternoon of the meal to prepare the food. Sign up to at https://tinyurl.com/colonial-ahh18. The next opportunity is November 25. Meals are cooked at Colonial and served by the JC Nichols Fountain on the Plaza, 4:30-6:00 p.m. You can also sign up to help serve. This worthwhile outreach of Colonial needs everyone to make it a success!

**Red Wagon 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 local food pantries – Village Food Pantry, Catholic Charities, Cross-Lines Community Services, and Shawnee Community Services. The wagon also swells the first week of the month when Temple Sinai members add their contributions.

#### **Colonial Women Activities**

- Breakfast and Coffee. Monday, November 5, 9:30 a.m. at Big Biscuit.
- Blue Moose Tuesday, November 13, 5:30 p.m., Prairie Village.
- Lunch Out. Monday, November 26, 1:00 p.m., Henry's Tearoom.
- **Book Group.** Friday, November 30, 7:00 p.m., Stacey Algren's home. We will discuss "The Encore: A Memoir in Three Acts" by Charity Tilleman-Dick.

**Prescription Bottles.** Empty prescription bottles, any size, are needed for a veterinarian clinic that specializes in charity work. Please remove your name or any prescription information. Place them in the box outside the office labeled Veterinarian Clinic.

**Monthly Centering Prayer.** Colonial's centering prayer group meets second Sunday of the month from 9:30 till 10:00 in the preschool room downstairs. The remaining dates for 2018 are: November 11 and December 9.

# The Week Ahead TODAY, November 4

8:30 am Worship

9:00 am Bell Choir, Bell Choir Room

9:15 That Was the Week That Was, Library

9:15 Youth Sunday School, Youth Room

9:15 Board of Outreach, Oberlin Room

9:30 Colonial Choir, Choir Room

10:15 Worship

10:30 Sunday School

11:15 Fellowship, Heritage Room

11:30 Confirmation Class, Youth Room

# MONDAY, November 5

9:30 am Colonial Women Coffee, Big Biscuit

6:00 pm Dinner Church, Founders Chapel

# **TUESDAY, November 6**

8:00 am Men's Breakfast Group, Perkins

9:30 am Book Group, Heritage Room

#### WEDNESDAY, November 7

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

7:00 pm Colonial Choir, Choir Room

# **THURSDAY, November 8**

12:00 pm Bible Study

6:30 AA, Oberlin Room

# **SATURDAY**, November 9

10:00 am-3:00 pm Holiday Bazaar, Social Hall

For the full church calendar, visit our website at 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 Founders Chapel, September-May.

**Watch our Weekly Services and Sermons**—You can watch our worship services on YouTube at https://tinyurl.com/onlineworship-colonial and get the sermon and bulletin 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—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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