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Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping.

-Nancy Rogers



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October 14, 2018 10:15 a.m.

The Colonial Church in Prairie Village—United Church of Christ "143 at the Core" Worship Service in the series *Saint Rogers*

Please silence your electronic devices in preparation for worship.

* Please rise in body or spirit.

We Gather as God's Beloved People

Gathering Music Laudate Dominum Cherwein

Gathering Song "Won't You Be My Neighbor" Rev. Fred Rogers

It's a beautiful day in this neighborhood,

A beautiful day for a neighbor.

Would you be mine?

Could you be mine?...

It's a neighborly day in this beauty-wood,

A neighborly day for a beauty.

Would you be mine?

Could you be mine?...

I've always wanted to have a neighbor just like you.

I've always wanted to live in a neighborhood with you.

So, let's make the most of this beautiful day.

Since we're together we might as well say:

Would you be mine?

Could you be mine?

Won't you be my neighbor?

Won't you please,

Won't you please?

Please won't you be my neighbor?

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

* **Hymn 12** "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

A Litany to Welcome Our Neighbors

United Church of Christ

Three Great Loves: Love of Neighbor

Leader: We welcome the presence of God, who commanded faithful people

throughout the ages to love God, love neighbor and love ourselves.

We welcome the presence of Jesus, our teacher and brother, who reminded

us again that the whole of God's law can be summed up in a single

commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

We welcome the presence of the Spirit, which moves us to love our

neighbor through the hearing and understanding of their diverse voices and

languages, just like on that first Pentecost day.

People: Let us love God, our neighbor and ourselves.

Leader: I am your neighbor — an activist in Kansas City who shares your

commitment to bringing about a Just World for All.

People: Welcome neighbor!

Leader: I am your neighbor — a young person who wants to grow and learn along

with other imperfect and growing people.

People: Welcome neighbor!

Leader: I am your neighbor — a person of faith who speaks differently about the

Holy, but who shares your commitment to building a Just World for All.

People: Welcome neighbor!

Leader: I am your neighbor — someone who has different skin color than most

people here, who shares your love of God.

People: Welcome neighbor!

Leader: I am your neighbor — someone who has spent countless hours in your

church hallways for yoga, Grandmothers Against Gun Violence, and the

Sierra Club, but has never before shared a meal with you.

People: Welcome neighbor!

Leader: I am your neighbor — a person who may express gender and sexuality

differently than you and who shares your commitment to affirming people.

People: Welcome neighbor!

Leader: I am your neighbor — someone who may not be able to join you in person,

but who joins the community of faith through the wonders of technology.

People: Welcome neighbor!

Leader: I am your neighbor — someone who has been sitting in these pews,

learning to love God since I was just a young child.

People: Welcome neighbor!

All: God loves all and so do we! Welcome neighbors!

* 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 in Music

They'll Know We are Christians

Lloyd Larson

A Word Proclaimed

Pastor Aaron Roberts

A Prayer for God's Mercy — Psalm 140:1-4

Rescue me from evil people, LORD!

Guard me from violent people who plot evil things in their hearts, who pick fights every single day!

They sharpen their tongues like a snake's; spider poison is on their lips.

Protect me from the power of the wicked, LORD!

Guard me from violent people.

72 Disciples Commissioned to Teach and Heal — Luke 10:1-11

[Jesus] commissioned seventy-two others and sent them on ahead in pairs to every city and place he was about to go. He said to them, "The harvest is bigger than you can imagine, but there are few workers. Therefore, plead with the Lord of the harvest to send out workers for his harvest. Go! Be warned, though, that I'm sending you out as lambs among wolves. Carry no wallet, no bag, and no sandals. Don't even greet anyone along the way. Whenever you enter a house, first say, 'May peace be on this house.' If anyone there shares God's peace, then your peace will rest on that person. If not, your blessing will return to you. Remain in this house, eating and drinking whatever they set before you, for workers deserve their pay. Don't move from house to house. Whenever you enter a city and its people welcome you, eat what they set before you. Heal the sick who are there, and say to them, 'God's kingdom has come upon you.' Whenever you enter a city and the people don't welcome you, go out into the streets and say, 'As a complaint against you, we brush off the dust of your city that has collected on our feet. But know this: God's kingdom has come to you."

Question? Comment? Express your thoughts with #ColonialUCC.



We Respond with Gratitude and Prayer

New Member Reception

Community Words of Welcome

People:

We welcome you to the common life of this church family. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and work of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love and together be witnesses of our risen Savior.

* Welcoming Hymn 495

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

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

Doxology

#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

People:

Generous God, we thank you for all that we have – for all of it comes from you. We gratefully return a portion to you. May our offerings sustain and support the work of this church to close the gap between those who have much and our neighbors in need. 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** 393 "Blessed Be the Tie That Binds"

* 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 Kingsfold (I Sing the Mighty Power of God) Kern

Worship Leaders

Liturgist: Jayne Quimby
Camera Operator: Tim Taylor
Worship Graphics Operator: Lyda Cosgrove
Children's Conversation: Aaron Roberts

Hospitality Table: Colonial Tween Squad

Head Usher: Howard Lee

Ushers: Howard Lee, Colonial Tween Squad

Fellowship Hosts: Colonial Tween Squad



The Sunday Crier

October 14, 2018

Rummage Sale Is Here!

- Last Day for Donations Today, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
- Public Sale—Tuesday, October 16, 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.; Wednesday, October 17, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; Thursday, October 18, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (half price day); Friday, October 19, 9:00 a.m.-noon. (\$15 a bag day).
- Volunteers Still Needed!! We have several slots with no workers. For this to be a successful sale, we need your help. Please sign up in the narthex.

Molly's Table Volunteers. Volunteers are needed for Molly's Table on Thursday, October 18. Our friends from Sheffield Place will be treated to a pizza dinner. Then they get to shop for free at the Rummage Sale. There are a variety of ways you can be involved. In addition to food donations, we need event hosts to help the moms pack up their merchandise and treasures. Thank you for helping us make a difference in the lives of others. Visit https://tinyurl.com/sheffield-october to sign up or contact Jeni Cosgrove (jeni@jimcosgrove.com) for more information.

Blessing of the Animals: Colonial will celebrate the blessing of the animals at our next Dinner Church gathering on Tuesday, October 16. Your family pets and working animals are invited to join us. We will gather for a few snacks for the people and treats for the pets at 6:00 p.m. in and outside of Founder's Chapel. A recommended donation of \$5 per person is requested to cover the cost of the meal. Future Dinner Church dates include Monday, November 5; Tuesday, November 20; Monday, December 3; and Tuesday, December 18

New Members Joining Today: Linda Bray; Lou and Michelle Gehring; Kelly Magee and son Collin Magee; Peter Sandstrom



The flowers on the altar are given by Linda Moses and family in loving memory of Tom Moses.

Healthcare Policy 101: Medicare for All. October 21, 9:15 a.m.. The Church has always understood itself to be an extension of Jesus Christ's ministry in the world, including the ministry of healing. For more than 35 years the General Assembly of the United Church of Christ has advocated for health care as a right and priority for all people. It recognizes the high cost of healthcare in America leaves many people unable to afford treatment when they become sick or injured. The Colonial Justice and Witness Committee believes in exploring answers to this injustice. Lori Slettehaugh will speak on Sunday, October 21, 9:15-10:00 a.m. in the Heritage Room. Lori will outline the current challenges related to healthcare coverage, costs and outcomes in America, followed by a discussion of how Medicare for All would differ from the current Medicare.

Colonial Friends to Museum at Prairiefire. Colonial Friends will visit the Museum at Prairiefire on Wednesday, October 24, to view a display of 12 artists who have experienced homelessness. They're displaying their work in "InVisible," an art show and sale in the Alcove of the museum. It is a way of giving an often overlooked group of people a voice and opportunity to share their experiences. Information on the 12 artists and their plight is posted by their art works. Those going will meet at the church at 10:00 a.m. and leave for the museum at 10:15 a.m. There is no cost to the tour since it is a self-tour. The group will eat at a local restaurant near the museum following the tour. Please email Joe Cunningham (runningrev2@aol.com) or call (913)341-6303 to register.

World War I Concert with Ann Marie Rigler. Colonial member Ann Marie Rigler will present a program of organ solo and chamber music titled "Prelude to the Armistice" to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of WWI. Sponsored by the Greater Kansas City chapter of the American Guild of Organists as part of their 2018-19 concert series, the event will take place on Monday, October 15 at 7:30 p.m. at Central United Methodist Church, 5144 Oak Street, KCMO. The program is based on a letter to Ann Marie in which her paternal grandfather recounts his experiences during the war. There is no admission charge.

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.

Neighbors in Need Offering. Neighbors in Need is a UCC special offering used in the United States for justice and witness work, and for the Council for American Indian Ministries. Make your check payable to Colonial Church with "NIN" in the memo.

The Week Ahead TODAY, October 14

- 8:30 am Worship
- 9:15 That Was the Week That Was, Library
- 9:15 Adult Christian Education, Cambridge Room
- 9:15 New Member Class, Oberlin Room
- 9:30 Centering Prayer, Salem Room
- 10:15 Worship
- 10:15 Colonial Tween Squad, Salem Room
- 11:15 Fellowship, Heritage Room
- 11:30 am-1:00 pm Rummage Sale Drop-off

MONDAY, October 15

9:00 am Rummage Sale Set Up

TUESDAY, October 16

- 9:00 am-7:00 pm Rummage Sale
- 9:30 am Book Group, Heritage Room
- 6:00 pm Blessing of the Animals/Dinner Church, Chapel

WEDNESDAY, October 17

- 9:00 am-5:00 pm Rummage Sale
- 9:30 Visit with Pastor Aaron, Einstein Brothers, Prairie

Village Shops

- 7:00 pm Colonial Choir, Choir Room
- 8:00 Confirmation, McDonald's (77th & Metcalf)

THURSDAY, October 18

- 9:00 am-5:00 pm Rummage Sale
- 12:00 pm Bible Study
- 5:00 Molly's Table, Heritage Room
- 6:30 AA, Oberlin Room

FRIDAY, October 19

9:00 am-noon Rummage Sale

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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