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**There is no passion to be found playing small - in settling for a life that is less than the one you are capable of living.**

**-Nelson Mandela**



**Colonial Church**  
*in Prairie Village*

[www.colonialucc.org](http://www.colonialucc.org)  
913-362-7735

September 24, 2017  
10:15 a.m.

**The Colonial Church in Prairie Village—United Church of Christ  
 “The Right Stuff” Sunday Worship Service  
 in the series *Inspired Leadership***

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

\* Please rise in body or spirit

**We Gather as God's Beloved People**

**Gathering Music**

*Picardy*

-Schack

**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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\* **Opening Hymn #26**

*We Worship You, God*

\* **A Time of Confession**

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Fear surrounds us.**

**Fear that we could lose our our health insurance.**

**Fear that we won't have enough to retire.**

**Fear that our lives will be lived out in quiet desperation.**

**God, you promise so much more. You promise a Way that leads to a full and abundant life.**

**Inspire us to a vision of your holy way today.**

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**

(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 in Music**

*Talk with Us, Lord*

-Austin Lovelace

**A Word Proclaimed**

-Pastor Aaron Roberts

### **Not Exactly the Best and Brightest...**

**Matthew 4:18-22** As Jesus walked alongside the Galilee Sea, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew, throwing fishing nets into the sea, because they were fishermen. "Come, follow me," he said, "and I'll show you how to fish for people." Right away, they left their nets and followed him.

Continuing on, he saw another set of brothers, James the son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with Zebedee their father repairing their nets. Jesus called them and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

### **The Apprentices Are Sent Out**

**Luke 9:1-2** Jesus called the Twelve together and he gave them power and authority over all demons and to heal sicknesses. He sent them out to proclaim God's kingdom and to heal the sick.

### **Take Hold of What Truly is Life!**

**1 Timothy 6:17-19** Tell people who are rich at this time not to become egotistical and not to place their hope on their finances, which are uncertain. Instead, they need to hope in God, who richly provides everything for our enjoyment. Tell them to do good, to be rich in the good things they do, to be generous, and to share with others. When they do these things, they will save a treasure for themselves that is a good foundation for the future. That way they can take hold of what is truly life.

Express your thoughts via social media #ColonialUCC

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

\* Hymn #451

*Be Now My Vision*

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

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*In My Beloved God*

-Dupre

(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

**O God, you have called your followers to share their gifts.**

**Bless these offerings so that they reflect the vision of the Kingdom of heaven. With Christ, our teacher and redeemer, 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**

\* Hymn on bulletin pages 6 & 7 *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

\* **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**

*Ein feste Burg*

-Bender

Liturgist:

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Mariam Fleming

Ushers:

Mariam Fleming, Cheri Van Orman

Bruce Wofford, Martha Wofford

# Let There Be Peace on Earth

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Let There Be Peace on Earth'. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The first system is in 3/4 time and contains the lyrics 'Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me;'. The second system is in 3/4 time and contains the lyrics 'let there be \* peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.'. The piano accompaniment features chords and single notes, with some accidentals (sharps and naturals) appearing in the second system.

Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me;

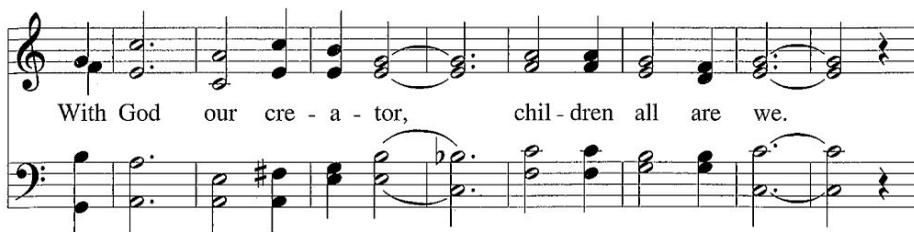
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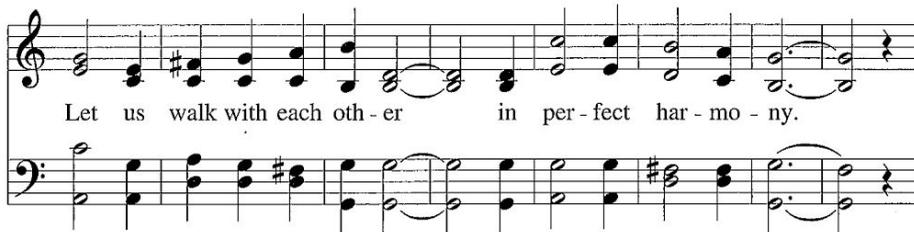
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With God our cre - a - tor, chil - dren all are we.



Let us walk with each oth - er in per - fect har - mo - ny.



Let peace be - gin with me; let this be the mo - ment now.



With ev - ery step I take, let this be my sol - emn vow:



to take each mo - ment and live each mo - ment in peace e - ter - nal - ly.



Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me.



## *The Sunday Crier*

September 24, 2017

**Sunday Night at the Movies.** Please join us tonight at 5:30 p.m. in the Heritage Room as we view and discuss "The Boys Next Door." This tender and hilarious 1996 film stars Nathan Lane and Robert Sean Leonard. "Four mentally challenged men share a house and, with the help of a social worker, learn to cope with the ups and downs of daily life through laughter, love, and joy." (Johnson County Library) Popcorn and soda will be provided. Feel free to bring a snack to share.

**White Privilege Discussion.** The news about race relations has recently been sometimes frightening and sometimes confusing. The series "**Let's Talk**" discussions on the topic of white privilege will renew this Fall at 11:30 a.m. after our Sunday worship services. If you participated last season, you already have a feel for the importance and depth of experience the sessions have already revealed. Discussions will be:

- October 1 - Recap, Sharing of Our Spiritual Autobiographies, Chapter 1 of Part II
- October 22 - Chapters 2 and 3
- October 29 - Chapters 4 and 5

If you didn't take part in the discussions earlier this year, you can add yourself at <https://goo.gl/wGzVXg> and download the materials at (<http://privilege.uccpages.org/>), read Part I to write your own "Spiritual Autobiography." Only you have your unique experience and perspective which only you are capable of properly sharing. Your story is important. You will be a valuable addition to the discussion. If you took part in Part I, bring your Spiritual Autobiography to our October 1 discussion. Each session will be about 2 hours and we'll have a pizza lunch.

**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. The work is important and the help is real. Join us in this important ministry! Make your check payable to Colonial Church with "NIN" in the memo.

*Altar  
Flowers*

The beautiful flowers on the altar are given by CARRIE ROBERTS AND BECKY JOHNSON in memory of Aunt Neva.

The rose on the altar celebrates the birth of Iris Johnston, daughter of Ryan and Ashley Johnston on September 13.

**Forum on Immigration Reform – October 5, 7:00-8:30 p.m.** 800,000 Dreamers' futures are in jeopardy. The national discussion on comprehensive immigration reform must be a priority, and legislators from Kansas and Missouri are central to this complex issue. We are coming together with an expert panel to discuss what immigration legislation should look like on this vital issue of our day. Hosted by Colonial Church. Sponsored by MORE2, Mainstream Coalition, and AIRR.

**Dining Out Group.** This fall we are trying something new: Dining Out Groups. In October and November, each group of 5-8 adults (or groups of 5-12 for families) will meet at a specified restaurant for food and fellowship. There are several Adult-Only Dining Out Groups, as well as, two Family Fun Groups. We ask that each group stay together for both months to provide continuity as well as an opportunity to try two different restaurants. The dates are set, the restaurants are reserved, all you need to do is sign up (via links below or by calling the church office), show up, and meet up with Colonial friends and families. Each person is responsible to pick up their own tab and tip. Child care arrangements can be made through the church office. To sign up, go to <http://www.colonialucc.org/dining-out-groups.html>

**Rummage Sale Information.** The Colonial Rummage Sale is rapidly approaching (Oct. 17-20) so get your donations ready. Drop-off dates are Sunday, Oct. 8 and Thursday, Oct. 12–Sunday, Oct. 15. Start collecting your items and remember hangers—we find that clothing is much more profitable if it is clean, wrinkle-free and on hangers. Pick up a flyer in the narthex about donations. **Monetary Donations**—We are also accepting donations to help defray the cost of advertising and food for volunteers. Any amount is accepted. Mark your check payable to Colonial Women. **Volunteers**—We need people to help sort donations, to help during the sale, to provide food for the workers. Please sign up at <http://tinyurl.com/colonial-rummage17>

**Dialogue Institute Invitation to Brunch.** The Dialogue Institute of the Southwest has invited Colonial to a brunch on Saturday, October 28 at 10:00 a.m. at the institute (4215 Shawnee Drive, Kansas City, Kansas). Vern Barnett, founder of the Kansas City Interfaith Council, will speak on "The Healing Power of World Religions." Do not miss this unique time to hear an interesting speaker, strengthen friendships and enjoy a delicious meal. RSVP by signing the sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex or online at <http://tinyurl.com/dialogue-brunch>

**Colonial's 7th Annual Holiday Bazaar.** Colonial's 7th Annual Holiday Bazaar is November 11 and 12. 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. We are still looking for a volunteer or two for the following activities: planning, advertising, placing of signs and table set-up. Please consider giving an hour or two of your time. If interested in helping, contact Heather in the office, Kim Mann ([kim@mannmadedesign.com](mailto:kim@mannmadedesign.com)) or Lisarae Turnbull ([lisaraephoto@me.com](mailto:lisaraephoto@me.com)).

### Colonial Women Activities

- **Coffee.** Monday, October 2, 9:30 a.m., Big Biscuit
- **Book Group.** Friday, October 6, 7:00 p.m., Stephanie Graff's home. We will be discussing "The Secret Keeper" by Kate Morton. Everyone is welcome.
- **Blue Moose Tuesday.** Tuesday, October 10, 5:30 p.m., Prairie Village.

**Participate in Thursday Noon Bible Study from Your Home or Office.** Our Bible Study is now online! To participate, each Thursday at noon either go to <https://zoom.us/j/684548229> on your computer or call in at 646-558-8656 with meeting ID 684-548-229. In October, we are beginning a special study on Paul's letter to the Romans to honor the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. To sign up to get the lesson in advance, express your interest at <https://goo.gl/bKLAZa>.

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### The Week Ahead

#### TODAY, September 24

8:30 am—Worship

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

10:15—Worship

10:30—Sunday School

11:15—Coffee & Conversation, Heritage Room

2:00 pm—Cooking for AHH, Social Hall

#### MONDAY, September 25

10:00 am—Colonial Women Board, Oberlin Room

#### TUESDAY, September 26

9:30 am—Book Group, Heritage Room

#### WEDNESDAY, September 27

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

7:00 pm—Colonial Choir

#### THURSDAY, September 28

Noon—Bible Study, <https://zoom.us/j/684548229>

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 online. 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 10:15am 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)

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