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Sunday Worship May 27, 2018

Worship at 8:30 and 10:15 a.m.

Sunday School at 10:15 a.m. for children and youth.

Post-Ramadan Dinner on May 29

Share a Ramadan post-fast meal with our Dialogue Institute Muslim neighbors on Tuesday, May 29 at Colonial. Registration 8:00-8:15 p.m., presentation about Ramadan 8:15, dinner 8:50. Late start so the Ramadan fast will not be broken until after sunset. This is a great opportunity to learn more of the religious holiday, to visit with some of the Muslim faith and to expand on our goal to reach out to our brothers of another segment of the Abrahamic religions. Please RSVP at

<https://tinyurl.com/post-ramadan2018>

Annual Congregational Meeting on June 10

The Annual Meeting for Colonial will be Sunday, June 10, 2018 after the 10:15 service. The annual report will be passed out to the congregation at this time and a slate of new board chairs and administrative board members will be presented.

Moderator: Ancel Neuburger

Administrative Board: Heather Brasel and Harry Morrison

Chair, Board of Parish Life: Mary Penrose

Co-chairs, Board of Property Management: Bill Sanderson and Linda Moses

Chair, Board of Stewardship: Stacy Huggins Kern

Nominations for elected positions may also be made by any two members of the congregation by submitting to the church office the name of the nominee and the written consent of such nominee so that such nominee's name may be included with the published list of nominees.

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Council Minutes:

Minutes of the Church Council are posted on the bulletin board across from the church office.

Crier Deadline:

Please submit items for the next Crier by **Friday, June 1** to Sally Huggins at sallyhuggins@yahoo.com.



Join other Colonial families for outdoor fun and fellowship at beautiful Pomona State Park in Vassar, Kansas. It's all happening Saturday and Sunday, September 8-9, the weekend after Labor Day. The park is just over an hour from Colonial. Go to <https://tinyurl.com/colonial-getaway> now to let us know you're coming. Questions? Contact Lisa Tierney, Elizabeth Uppman or Martha Wofford.

**Colonial Family Getaway
September 8-9**

Congratulations Graduates!

- **Elizabeth Bender** graduated from Shawnee Mission West High School on May 17.
- **Sophie Mann** graduated from the University of Kansas with a degree in Journalism and a minor in Business.
- **Diego Oliva** graduated from Shawnee Mission East High School and will attend Johnson County Community College to study graphic/digital design.
- **Carlos Oliva** graduated from Kansas State University with a major in finance and a minor in economics. He is moving to Wichita to work for Koch Industries.
- **Keith Sample**, grandson of Marty Sample, graduated from the University of Maine with a degree in Chemical Engineering. Keith will be working for the Verso Corporation in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin.
- **Erin Uppman**, granddaughter of Jerry and Marilyn Uppman and niece of Elizabeth Uppman and Chucho Marquez, graduated from Avila College on May 12 with a BA in art and design. She has been accepted into a master's program for art therapy at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods University in Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana.
- **Dustin Woolsey**, son of Dave and stepson of Nikki Woolsey, graduated from Kansas State University with a degree in mechanical engineering with a focus on nuclear engineering. He and his wife Jessica are living in Manhattan, Kansas.

Send us the name of anyone graduating this May to Heather at heather.winker@colonialucc.org. Please include plans for the future for graduates if you know them.



Help Needed for Booth at KC PrideFest

We need a volunteer or two to work at the booth we are sharing with other United Church of Christ Open and Affirming congregations at the upcoming KC PrideFest on Sunday, June 3 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at Berkley Riverfront Park. Please contact Heather in the church office if you can help.

Family Finance 101

Presenters at the Family Finance session provided useful information about wills, estate planning, Social Security, financial records and tax law to a large group of members and guests on May 20, thanks to the Board of Stewardship.



Register Now for VBS!

Get ready campers to prepare for an outdoor adventure that starts in our own backyards and gets bigger each day as we spread the love of Jesus into our neighborhoods and communities. Camp dates are July 10-13 from 9:00-11:30 a.m. with a performance Sunday morning July 15 at the 10:15 service. Sign up your children and grandchildren at <https://tinyurl.com/ColonialVBS-18>. If you have questions, please contact Camille Breckenridge at camille.breckenridge@colonialucc.org or call 913-707-9602.

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: June 10, July 8, August 12, September 9, October 14, November 11, and December 9. Centering prayer is a good way to find some quiet in your life. Praying in a group can help you.

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.

Colonial Family

We express our sympathy to **Lee Rowe**, whose husband, **Ed Rowe**, died on May 14. The service was May 21 at Colonial.

If you are going to be hospitalized, please contact Pastor Aaron Roberts or the church office.

Watch our Weekly Messages Services and Sermons

You can watch our worship services on YouTube and get the sermon and bulletin on our website (www.colonialucc.org). Our 10:15 a.m. worship service is live-streamed, so please contact the church office if you have a privacy concern.

Colonial on Social Media

Stay up to date with what's happening at Colonial through Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/colonialucc>
Instagram: [colonial_ucc](https://www.instagram.com/colonial_ucc)
Twitter: [#ColonialUCC](https://twitter.com/ColonialUCC)

Participate in Bible Study

Our Bible Study is 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.

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 each month. The next opportunity is June 10 following the 10:15 service.

More2 Transformation Banquet

More² is celebrating with a Transformation Banquet on June 14, 5:30-8:00 p.m. at Union Station to honor Kiku Brooks, Social Action Ministry Leader and Associate Minister of Zion Missionary Baptist Church. The Justice and Witness Committee has bought a table for 10 at the event. We invite and encourage anyone interested in learning how to make Colonial voices louder and our hands more effective to do justice to join us for the party. Three \$75 tickets have been donated by members of the Justice and Witness Committee to the first three people who sign up. Contact Heather at the church office or Diane Kuhn, 913-631-9499. The committee has worked with other faith groups in MORE² over the past two years as we address social and economic injustice throughout Metropolitan Kansas City. Our most recent victory came last week when Governor Jeff Colyer signed into law a bill granting compensation to exonerated felons for their years in prison.



Colonial Women Activities

Breakfast and Coffee at Big Biscuit – Monday, June 4, 9:30 a.m. Big Biscuit.

Blue Moose Tuesday – Tuesday, June 12, 5:30 p.m. Blue Moose in Prairie Village Shops.

Book Group – Friday, June 29, 7:00 p.m., Stephanie Graff's home.

Serve the Homeless

It is exciting to be a part of the work that Kar Woo offers to needy area residents. Sign up now to help on June 24. To help with the preparation, bake cookies to serve or to come to the Plaza to share, sign up online at <https://tinyurl.com/AHH-Colonial2018>. Please consider whether you can bake cookies, purchase the food, cook at Colonial the day of or help serve the meal. Meals are cooked at Colonial and served by the JC Nichols Fountain on the Plaza, 4:30-6:00 p.m.

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 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 add their contributions. Food suggestions: *Canned and Jar Food*: vegetables, soup, stews, fruit, peanut butter, beans, tuna, chili, canned chicken, canned salmon, canned beans, preferably low-sodium items; *Boxed and Bagged Food*: Cereals (preferably whole grain and low sugar content), crackers, macaroni and cheese, flour, pasta, pancake mix, rice (brown, white or basmati), sugar, breakfast items, snack bars, gluten-free items, dry beans, nuts. You can also write a check for the collection plate marked "Food Pantry" on the memo line. You do make a difference.

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UNITED CHURCH
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Coming Up at Colonial

Thursday, May 24

9:00 am Care Committee, Heritage Room

12:00 pm Bible Study

6:30 AA, Oberlin Room

Sunday, May 27

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 AHH Cooking, Social Hall

Monday, May 28

Office Closed – Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 29

9:30 am Book Group, Heritage Room

8:00 pm Ramadan Dinner, Social Hall

Wednesday, May 30

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

Thursday, May 31

12:00 pm Bible Study

6:30 AA, Oberlin Room

Friday, June 1

8:30 am Quiltmakers, Social Hall

Sunday, June 3

8:30 am Worship

9:15 That Was the Week That Was, Library

9:15 Board of Outreach, Oberlin Room

10:15 Worship

10:30 Sunday School

11:15 Coffee & Conversation, Heritage Room

For the full church calendar, visit our website at colonialucc.org

Happy Birthday!

Camille Breckenridge, Julie Inman, Jeanette Spencer, Bev Brown, Kevin Fairchild, Dan Lu, Brook Carson, Kendra Morrison, Bonnie Bender, Bob Buehler, Grace Lybarger, Nicholas Lawrence

Happy Anniversary!

Ryan & Ashley Johnston

Terry & Diane Brown

Carsten & Julie Mortensen