

## Sunday Worship August 6, 2017

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

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

## Three Great Loves August Sermon Series

Each week we covenant to love our neighbor as ourselves, just as Jesus instructed. Along with the rest of the United Church of Christ, we are joining an effort to build a just world. In the months to come, we are going to intentionally focus on 3 Great Loves that share God's heart.



Love of Neighbor - August 6

Love of Children - August 13 (Teacher and Backpack Blessing)

Love of Creation - August 20

In August, we're going to focus our vision on ways we already do and can enhance these loves with a series of challenges and blessings. Here is the kickoff message from Rev. John Dorhauer, the General Minister and President of the United Church of Christ - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ygPodrDyQwA>

## Celebration of Pauline on Her Retirement

Pauline Anthan, our church administrator the past 20 years, has retired and on Sunday, August 20, we will celebrate her service, in worship and with a potluck lunch in the Social Hall. The main dish and dessert will be provided. Please bring a salad or side dish to share. A freewill offering will be accepted. We will also honor Pauline with a gift. If you would like to contribute, mark your check "Pauline" in the memo line or on an offering envelope. You can also contribute online on our website, colonial-ucc.org. Click on "Give Online" at the top and sign in or click "Give Now" at the top. Select "Pauline's Retirement" from the dropdown menu.



## "Stump the Pastor" Sunday, August 27

Got a tough question that you've always wanted to ask? On the last Sunday in August, we're going to have a "Stump the Pastor" Sunday. Send in your question at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/92LYNVQ>

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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, August 11 to Sally Huggins at [sallyhuggins@yahoo.com](mailto:sallyhuggins@yahoo.com).

## Kansas City Rally for Trans Rights

The Colonial Justice & Witness Committee is supporting the City of Fountains Sisters on Sunday, August 6, at 7:00 p.m. at the JC Nichols Memorial Fountain as they stand to add local visibility for the rights of our Trans community. Everyone is invited to come and stand to say No to discrimination and lend our voices to those calling for justice and an end to bigotry and hate. At dusk, there will be a candle lighting to honor those active and inactive military members, and those who have lost their lives to bigotry and ignorance. Trans rights are human rights.

## Property Management Needs Help with Flood Repair

The storm on Wednesday night, July 26, caused many creeks to overflow their banks, including the one behind Colonial and water came into the Social Hall. Edson, our custodian, and his family came in and took care of the social hall, kitchen and rest-room that had mud and water in it, and it looks great. There are still two areas out back that need help.

■ **Mulch in the play area.** The water clumped it up and pushed it around so there are lots of areas of exposed underlayment. This would be a perfect fit for a family with a few rakes and a shovel. All that needs to be done is the mulch broken up and raked around to cover the entire area again, and the two orange and yellow play tables set up again. The mulch is all still there, but has been clumped and moved by the water. This might take a couple of hours but probably less. You can start the job and leave the rest to someone else if you like, or do it all. Please email Bill Sanderson at bills043@gmail.com if you, along with some friends or family, would like to do this for Colonial.

■ **Railroad ties.** The flood washed a number of the ties we use along the edge of the parking lot up on the side of the embankment, away from the lot. A few of them need to be positioned again at the far south edge of the lot near the gas company area to keep people from driving off the edge and getting high centered. All it involves is moving 3 or 4 of them. We will take care of the problem permanently when we redo the lots, but that will be a year or two. Please email Bill if you think you can do this.

We got off lucky this time. Village Church down the road had a recycling dumpster out back since they are remodeling. The flood carried it away and they have no idea where it is. Probably in a tree along Brush Creek in the Plaza area. Please let Bill know if you can help out!

## “Welcome Amy” Pizza Lunch Party

**Sunday, August 13 at 11:30 a.m.**

The Youtz selected Amy Congdon as their new Youth Group Leader. All Youtz, Tweens, and their families are invited to a “Welcome Amy” pizza lunch party after our worship service on Sunday, August 13th in the Youtz Room downstairs. It’s a chance to meet and welcome Amy and her family and talk about the events the kids are planning for the upcoming year.

## Refurbished Cabinets!

Thank you to Colonial Women for funding yet another project. Both cabinets in the social hall were renovated by Martha Wofford and Linda Moses. Cabinets were scrubbed, sanded, repaired and painted. Granite Transformations installed new granite tops. These cabinets should be good to go for another 50 years!



## What Sermon Ideas Do You Have?

Help Pastor Aaron plan the topics for our worship service this coming year by participating in our summer survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FRYYSJ2>

## Living the Questions 2.0 Sunday Morning ACE

People know that, at its core, Christianity has something good to offer humanity. At the same time, many have a sense that they are alone in being a “thinking” Christian and that “salvaging” Christianity is a hopeless task. Living the Questions is a safe environment where people have permission to ask the questions they’ve always wanted to ask but have been afraid to voice for fear of being thought a heretic. The Living the Questions sessions meet at 9:15 a.m. in the Cambridge Room on the second Sunday of the month. Signup at <https://colonialucc.infellowship.com/Group/Show/2084138>

## 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 August 13.

## Colonial Family

We express our sympathy to the family of **Virginia Cass**, who died July 25 at 104 years old.

## Hospitalizations

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, bulletin and study guide on our website ([www.colonialucc.org](http://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)  
Follow Pastor Aaron: [@PastorARoberts](https://twitter.com/PastorARoberts)

## Send Us Your Photos

We want to build a file of photos of Colonial activities to use in the welcome part of our video worship display. Please send photos to [media@colonialucc.org](mailto:media@colonialucc.org).

## Stephen Minister Training Begins in September

Stephen Ministers are people trained to provide one-to-one care to people experiencing a difficult time in life, such as grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, relocation, or separation due to military deployment. Colonial Church has a team of Stephen Ministers, and if you'd like to receive training to become one too, please contact Pastor Aaron ([aaron.roberts@colonialucc.org](mailto:aaron.roberts@colonialucc.org)) to get signed up for the training that begins weekly in September through December.

## Teacher Blessing on Sunday, August 13

Teaching is a holy calling.

Educators shape the lives of young people and give them the tools to live life fully and abundantly. As the school year begins, we invite all educators – from our church community and the wider community – to come and be thanked and blessed for their service at our 10:15 a.m. worship service. So, if you are an educator or know one you would like to bless, please extend an invitation to be with us this Sunday.

## Colonial Women Activities

**Breakfast and Coffee** – Monday, August 7, at 9:30 a.m., Big Biscuit.

**Blue Moose Tuesday** – Tuesday, August 8, 5:30 p.m., Prairie Village.

**Book Group** – Friday, August 25, 7:00 p.m., Stacey Algren's home. We will be discussing "Brain on Fire - My Month of Madness" by Susannah Cahalan. Everyone is welcome.

## Men's Breakfast Group

Bill Sanderson took the Men's Breakfast Group on a tour of Union Station (albeit without leaving Perkins), describing the back halls and tunnels, the stories and ghosts of the past, and what caused the patterns in the soft marble flooring. All Colonial men are welcome to join us when we meet again Tuesday, September 5 at 8:00 a.m. at the Perkins on 87th between I35 and 69 Alt.

## Audio-Visual Proposal for Chapel

Renovation of the Choir Room into a combination Chapel/Choir Room will begin soon. We have discussed the possibility of adding an audio/visual system so the room could be better equipped for meetings, small worship services, weddings, baptisms and many other possibilities. Stark Raving Solutions, the same company that installed the system in the sanctuary, gave us a bid of just under \$10,000. The Council and Administrative Board are asking the congregation to weigh in on the decision to proceed with this AV System and its funding. Please answer two questions at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/R99HT63>

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## Colonial Staff

**Senior Minister:** Rev. Aaron Roberts ([aaron@colonialucc.org](mailto:aaron@colonialucc.org))

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## Coming Up at Colonial

### **Thursday, August 2**

10:00 Bible Study, Pastor's Office  
6:30 AA, Oberlin Room

### **Friday, August 3**

8:30 am Quiltmakers, Social Hall

### **Sunday, August 6**

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 Lemonade & Conversation, Heritage Room  
7:00 pm Trans Rights Rally, JC Nichols Fountain

### **Monday, August 7**

9:30 am Colonial Women Coffee, Big Biscuit

### **Tuesday, August 8**

9:30 am Book Group, Heritage Room  
5:30 pm Colonial Women Blue Moose Tuesday, Prairie Village Shops

### **Wednesday, August 9**

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

### **Thursday, August 10**

10:00 Bible Study, Pastor's Office  
6:30 pm AA, Oberlin Room

### **Happy Birthday!**

Bekki Walsh, Danielle Knoll, Jeannie Irons, Dolores Neese, Walt Seibert, Dorothy Mulford, Missy Flachsbarth, Lori Jackson, Tim Owens, Marcia Dodson

### **Happy Anniversary**

Bob and Sharon Dona, Charles and Nadine Colbert, Aaron and Carrie Roberts, Bob and Dianne Starcke, Bruce and Marcia Dodson