

## Our Vision

*We are an urban, intergenerational, inclusive,  
and welcoming Christian fellowship woven  
into the fabric of our community.*

## Our Staff

Pastor	Rev. Linda McCollough
Ministers	All the Congregation
Office Manager	Martha Bentley
Music Director	Elaine Hill
Organist	Sharon Ruhnke
Bell Choir Director	Karen Schneider

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October 7, 2018

# World Communion Sunday



**Community United Methodist Church**

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## This Week at a Glance

### Sunday, October 7, 2018

10:00 a.m.   Worship - Confirmation  
11:00 a.m.   Fellowship in Social Hall

### Monday, October 8, 2018

2:30 p.m.    Chair Yoga  
5:30 p.m.    Community Meal

### Wednesday, October 10, 2018

9:45 a.m.    Wednesday Morning Bible Study  
6:15 p.m.    Adult Study  
7:30 p.m.    Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, October 11, 2018

5:30 p.m.    Bell Choir  
6:15 p.m.    Core Leadership Team

### Sunday, October 14, 2018

10:00 a.m.   Worship  
11:00 a.m.   Fellowship in Social Hall

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### Thank you to our Worship Team

**Pastor:**           Rev. Linda McCollough  
**Greeter:**         Shirley Rusnacko  
**Liturgist:**        Youth and Children  
**Music Leaders:**  Organist - Sharon Ruhnke  
                          Bell Choir - Karen Schneider  
                          Music Director – Elaine Hill  
**Sound System:**  Andy Bixler/James Bordewick

## Postlude

*"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"*

arr. John Hughes

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## Announcements

### Save The Date – Lasagna Dinner!

Please add **Saturday, October 20<sup>st</sup>** to your calendar. Enjoy a Lasagna Dinner at CUMC that evening from 4:30-6:30 pm. Flu Shots available by Walgreens. We need your baked goods, crafts, jams, jellies, and white elephant gifts for the Community Market. More information to come.



**YOU'RE INVITED! Join us for our 3rd Annual "Be The Light" Fundraising Gala on October 13th!**

Join us at the Walker Art Center Skyline Room for a formal buffet dinner and a presentation featuring our guest speaker Reverend Judith Banya. Learn more about our current partnerships and our passion to serve overseas. Your generous support will help fund classrooms, clinics, churches, scholarships, clean water, clear vision, and more.

<http://www.ocministries.com/> for more information and to buy tickets today!

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, grant us to be a place where we serve your people without judgement.

**God, hear our prayers.**

Comfort and heal, restore and recover, bring health and well-being to those suffering in body, mind and spirit.

**God, hear our prayers.**

Give us courage to be bold in our faith, strong in support and generosity, and loving in our words.

**God, hear our prayers.**

Spirit of hope, spirit of promise, spirit of unity – renew us now.

**God, hear our prayers.**

On the night in which he was with his friends. . .

*(blessing the elements)*

As a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, we proclaim the mystery of faith, the unity in the body and unifying of the Spirit through Jesus's life, death and resurrection.

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

The Lord's Prayer Red Hymnal #895

*"Our (Father, Mother, God, Creator) ..."*

please use whichever name you find meaningful.

*We will receive the elements through intinction, meaning you will come forward as the ushers direct you. Then, you will receive your bread, please dip it in the shared, unified cup. You are welcome to return to your seat or spend time at the communion rail after receiving the elements. All elements are gluten and dairy free.*

**\* Sending Hymn**

*"Go Now in Peace"*

Red Hymnal #665

**Benediction**

## **Community United Methodist Church**

**October 7, 2018 – 10:00 a.m.**

**World Communion Sunday**

*A time of quiet reflection is appreciated as we gather for worship. During this time, you may wish to use one of the prayer slips at the end of each pew to request a prayer to be lifted up during the service.*

**Pre-Service Music**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Chimes**

**Prelude**

*"Now With Singing and Praise"*

Dale Wood

**\* Gathering Words**

This is a morning where churches around the world engage in one of the same rituals. We gather at the table as one body, one spirit, one God. How wonderful we, too, have that opportunity!

**The special nature of this service is that we can pause and think about the ways different congregations, different cultures, and different denominations all unite in the Table of Christ's supper.**

While we are all different, we are all the same.

**Unite us now, God, by the power of love, united by the Holy Spirit, and shared through the promise of life everlasting through Jesus.**

**\* Hymn**

*"This Is My Song"*

Red Hymnal #437

\* Please rise in body or spirit, as you are able

**Prayer to Begin** adapted from the litany for World Communion Sunday

**O God, today we recall that, as members of one body, we can make a difference in a world of people**

**in need of the hope of the love of Christ. Today, we recognize this hope that unites us and sustains us. Today we celebrate our unity. We set aside the small things that can divide us and remember that, with God, we can overcome all things. Today we are reminded that only with gentleness and humility can we clearly see God's plan for us. We are people of one God who is above all and through all. In and through Jesus, our Redeemer, Amen.**

### **Anthem**

*"Gracious Spirit Swell With Me"* K. Lee Scott

### **Children's Time**

*Children are invited to use the activity tables during the worship service*

### **Scripture**

Mark 1:15 (CEB)  
John 3:5-20  
John 17:3

The words inspired by God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **Sermon** *Speaking Christian, Living Beyond Words*

### **\* Hymn**

*"We All One in Mission"* Black Hymnal #2243

### **Our Time of Prayer**

Sharing of the Prayers of the People  
Pastoral Prayer

### **Offertory**

*"Leaning On The Everlasting Arms"* arr. Ben Logan

### **Call to Communion:**

*"You are the Light of the World"* Black Hymnal #2204, v. 1, 2

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Almighty God, you have gathered us from the ends of the earth to Christ's holy table this day.

**We come to feast together.**

Have mercy on the church, troubled and divided.

**Renew us and make us One.**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, almighty God, those who confess your name be united this morning around the world, reveal your glory to us now:

**God, hear our prayer.**

Guide us to learn to live together, through mercy, grace, and love. Teach us a sense of peace, patience and kindness to all other humanity and creation.

**God, hear our prayers.**

As your lands, nations, tribes and tongues are all different, unite us as one through justice and peace for all humankind and creation.

**God, hear our prayers.**

Give us a sense of responsibility, reverence for all the earth and all your universes.

**God, hear our prayers.**

Teach us to use your resources lightly, to tread without breaking, to step lighter with our touch of all she has to share in our earth.

**God, hear our prayers.**