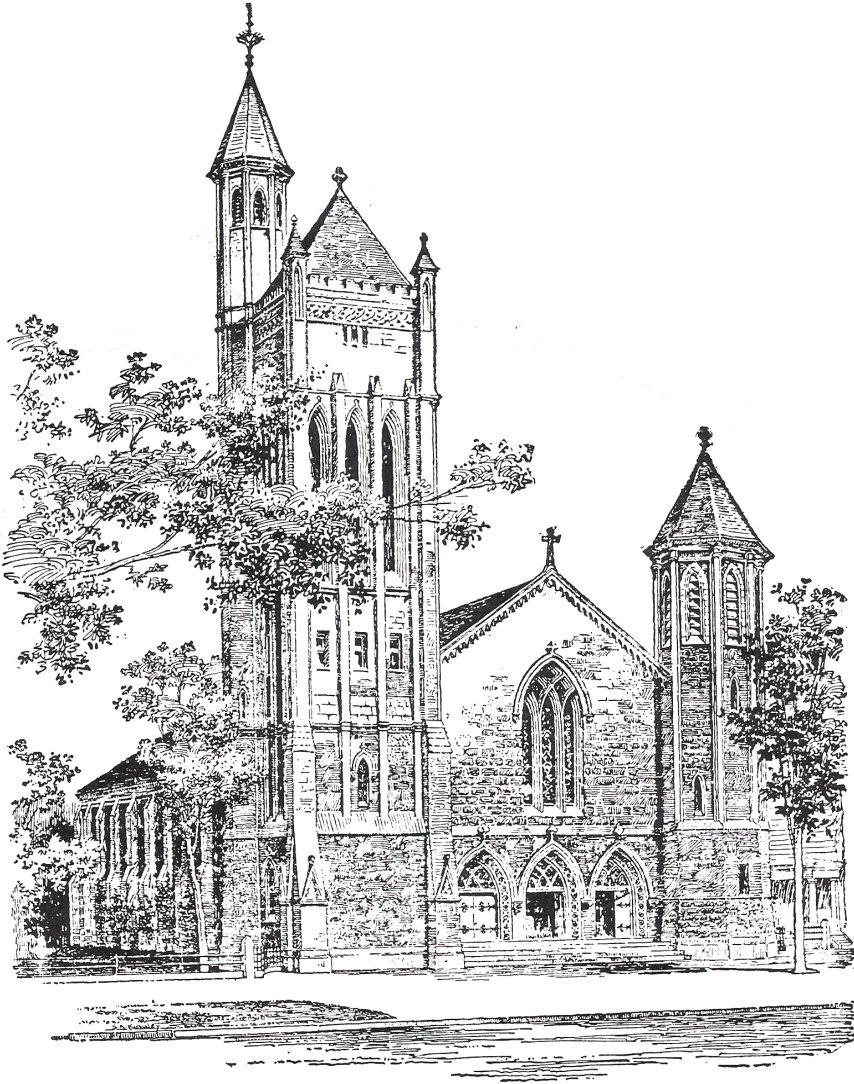


State Street Church
United Church of Christ
A Progressive Open and Affirming Church

July 13, 2025



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Welcome to State Street Church! During the greeting the Pastor will ask if any visitors would like to be introduced. There is no pressure to be introduced, if you would like to remain quiet and be present to the service, please feel free to do so. There is a card in your pew to fill out if you'd like contact from the church. Children are welcome, but not required, to come forward during the "Time for Children," - and may either return to their seats or join us for Kids' Church.

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Prelude "Partita on St. Michael" Dennis Johnson  
"Adagio" (from Symphony #6) C. M. Widor

Greetings, Introductions, and Announcements

\*Passing of the Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

**Many: And also with you.**

(Take a moment to share the peace of Christ with your neighbors.)

A Moment of Centering Silence

\*Opening Hymn #495 "Called as Partners in Christ's Service" BEECHER

\*Call to Worship Liturgist: Paul Jones

One: We come to worship this day, knowing deeply what it means to struggle.

**Many: We remember times in our lives when we've felt hopeless, yearning for someone to care for us.**

One: In this divided climate that might tempt us to ignore the neighbors in our midst, we need only tap into our own humanity.

**Many: Because we know what it means to struggle, we are challenged each day to show radical love to our neighbors.**

One: Even those who aren't like us.

**Many: Especially those who aren't like us.**

One: May our worship today help us remember times we have been helped...

**Many: ...and how we can become the helpers, and the hope-bearers, in this world.**

Invocation (unison)

**Christ, who shows us how to be in community together, thank you for gathering us together, onsite and online. We give you thanks for the ways we have been held in love in this community of faith. We are comforted by memories of mercy shown to us in difficult times, both by our friends in this space, and by your gracious presence in our lives. Empower us to be Good Samaritans in our own ways. Embolden us to seek out those who are hopeless and in need, not out of pity, but out of a deep understanding of difficulty in our own lives. Guided by your example. may we lead with radical love and brave compassion. Amen.**

\*Please rise in body or spirit

## A Time for Children

### Scripture

Hebrew Scripture: Psalm 82:1-8

(pew Bible pg. 599)

Christian Scripture: Luke 10:25-37

(pew Bible pg. 73)

### This Morning's Sermon

Rev. Bryan S. Breault

### A Time of Prayer

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

A Moment of Silence

Hymn #539

"Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant"

THE SERVANT SONG

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

**Our Father, Mother, Parent, 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.**

### Offering and Dedication of Pledges

*We are aware that some give online, or by other means, and some are unable to give. When the usher comes to your pew, you should feel comfortable looking to the usher smiling and nodding so the usher knows to move to the next person.*

Invitation

Offertory

"Meditation on Hesperus"

David Maxwell

\*Doxology

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**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise God, all creatures here below,**

**Praise God above, you heav'nly host,**

**Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Closing Hymn #542

"Born of God, Eternal Savior"

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\*Benediction

*Following the Benediction, we invite you to join us for a time of fellowship and refreshment in Chapel Hall (through the door at the front left of the sanctuary). Those who wish to remain and listen to the postlude are welcome to move to the front pews or remain in your seat.*

Postlude

"Postlude in D Major"

W. Volckmar

**Please join us in the Chapel Hall for a time of fellowship and refreshment.**  
Enter through the door to the front left of the sanctuary.

State Street Church is a progressive, diverse, and tolerant congregation. We provide a spiritual home for people from all walks of life. We work toward the vision of social justice preached in the gospel but are not exclusive in our faith. We find meaning in connecting with one another to help those in need and to nurture and deepen our spiritual awareness. We don't feel a need to agree on every matter but we try to listen and learn from one another. We are wide open to, and deeply affirming of LGBTQ+ individuals. No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here. We encourage you to continue your spiritual journey with us! We'd love to get to know you.

### **Happening at State Street Church**

Sun. Jul 13  
10:00 am Worship Service & Kids Church

Thur. Jul 17 7:00 pm Contra Dance

Mon. Jul 21 7:00p pm Music Swap

Sun. Jul 27 11:30 am Book Group

Thur. Jul 31 7:00 pm Contra Dance

Wed. Aug 6 6:30 pm Current Events Group

### **Where you can park on Sunday Morning while attending State Street Church**

- 1. Street Parking** is free on Sunday
- 2. Conroy Tully Walker Funeral Home,** but only if there is not a "Funeral Home Only" sign at their lot entrance OR a there was not a "No Parking" notice in the State Street Church weekly email.
- 3. The Portland Club,** be sure to get a pass for your windshield from an usher!

Restrooms are to the left and right of the hall at the back of the sanctuary.

Meaningful worship requires many people working together. We are grateful to everyone who worked to make this morning's service heartfelt and sincere.

**Deacons:** Josh Davis, Nor Dale

**Liturgist:** Paul Jones

**Ushers:** Mimi Gough

**Fellowship Hosts:** Sally Decatur and Steve Conroy

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Reverend Bryan S. Breault, Pastor  
Kyle Bertulli, Music Director and Organist  
Kaylan Zipp, Christian Education Director  
Maryam Darjazi, Childcare Provider

