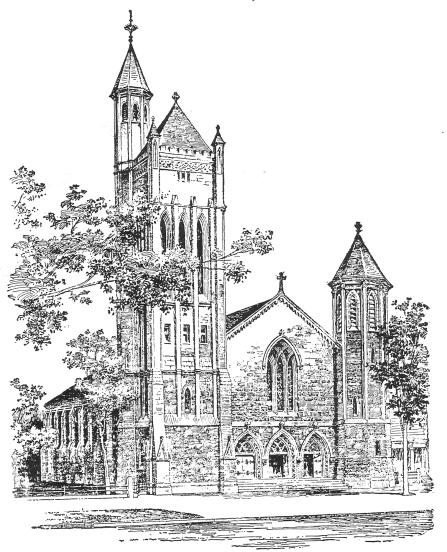
State Street Church

United Church of Christ

A Progressive Christian Open and Affirming Church

November 3, 2024



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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.

Prelude Two Settings of All Saints Day Hymns
I Sing a Song of the Saints of God, Wilbur Held, and Jerusalem, My Happy Home,
Charles Callahan

Greetings, Introductions, and Announcements

*Passing of the Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ (God) 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 295 I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

GRAND ISLE

Liturgist: Nor Dale

*Call to Worship (Inspired by Psalm 146)

One: Praise the Holy One as long as we live.

Many: Praise the Creator, who makes our days, who trails our paths, and

who gives us breath.

One: Praise the Holy One with our whole selves-mind, body, and soul.

Many: Trust in wisdom and honor, truth and love, grace and mercy.

One: Praise the Holy One for God is just, generous, compassionate, liberating,

and near.

Many: The Holy One reigns, lifting up the lowly, humbling, the proud, and

sustaining the righteous from generation to generation. Praise God!

*Invocation (unison)

Loving God, what joy it is to know your name. To know that when we call, you answer. When we seek you, we find you. When we long for you, we discover that you are already with us. Anchor our lives in your presence. Encourage us beyond our fear. Remind us of your goodness and miraculous works. Reaffirm the power you have made available and at work within us. Fortify us as your people who give and receive your love to your glory. In your name, we pray. Amen.

A Time For Children

Scripture

Hebrew Scripture: Psalm 119:1-8 (pew Bible pg. 626)

Christian Scripture: Mark 12: 28-34 (pew Bible pg. 50)

This Morning's Sermon

Rev. Bryan S. Breault

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Righteous One, write your commandments on our hearts...not as a list of do's and don'ts but as a vision of the people who can be, the lives we may live, and the world we may create. Write liberation of the oppressed, care and wholeness of those with unmet needs, and revelation and understanding to those oblivious to the truth. Emblazon your law of love in our hearts, on our lips, and in our journey. Transform us with your love so that we may reflect your love toward our neighbor and toward ourselves. Amen.

God's Assurance of Forgiveness

Hymn 433 In The Bulb There Is a Flower PROMISE

Silence

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.

Breaking of the Bread

The sharing of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

Thank you, God, for this feast of life. We are fed by your love; we are strengthened by your life. We are sent forth into this world to live into the visions God has laid on our hearts. We are now commissioned to feed as we have been fed, forgive as we have been forgiven, love as we have been loved. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Offering

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 Gift of Finest Wheat Text: Omer Westendorf; Music: Robert E. Kreutz
The State Street Church Choir

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above all heavenly hosts, Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Closing Hymn 299 For All the Saints, Who from Their Labors Rest SINE NOMINE

*Benediction

Postlude Improvisation on SINE NOMINE

This Week at State Street Church

Tues. 2-6pm Sanctuary open for prayer Tues. 6pm Sanctuary, Hymns and Prayers

Wed. 1-3 pm Clothes Closet

Thurs. 7 pm Choir Rehearsal - Music Room

Sat. 9 am-2pm **HOLIDAY FAIR**

Sun. (11/3) 9:15 am Choir Rehearsal 10 am Worship Service & Kids Church

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**, unless you see a "Funeral Home Only" sign placed at the entrance.
- **3. The Portland Club,** be sure to get a pass for your windshield from an usher!

Coming Up

Wed.	Nov. 13, 20	1-3 pm	Clothes Closet
Wed.	Nov. 13	5:30 pm	Trustees Meeting
Sun.	Nov. 17	1-4 pm	Shelter Open House
Mon.	Nov. 18	7-9 pm	Music Swap

Deep gratitude to our Deacons of the day, Denny Barrantes, Josh Davis and Nor Dale; our fellowship hour hosts Sonia Barrantes and Bev Woodcock; our liturgist, Nor Dale; our live streamer, Tori Bachman and our Kids' Church leader Eunice Bentley.

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Reverend Bryan S. Breault, Pastor John & Meg Williams, Interim Music Directors and Organists Maryam Darjazi, Childcare Provider





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