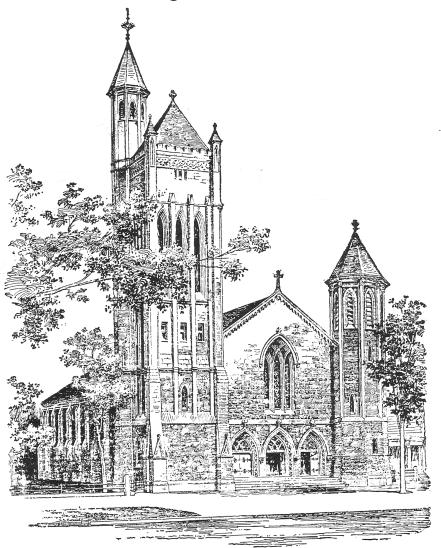
State Street Church

United Church of Christ

A Progressive Open and Affirming Church

August 10, 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.

Prelude Sonata #3 (movements 1 and 2) Josef Rheinberger Chorale Prelude on "Blessed Jesus, Here We Are" J. S. Bach

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 #86 " When Morning Guilds the Skies" LAUDES DOMINI

*Call to Worship (Inspired by Psalm 50)

Jess Doughty

One: The mighty one, God the Holy One, speaks and summons the earth from the

rising of the sun to its setting.

Many: Out of the kindom, the perfection of beauty, the splendor of creation, the

wonder of ages, God shines forth.

One: The mighty one, God the Holy One, speaks and calls to the heavens above and

to the earth.

Many: Out of justice and righteousness, God shines forth.

One: The mighty one, God the Holy One, speaks and receives our thanksgiving,

honor, and praise.

All: Out of our witness, worship, and testimony, God shines forth.

*Invocation (unison)

Wonderful God, set your kindom before us anew. Dwell with us as we bring our songs and prayers, our hopes and hesitations, our faith and our disbelief before you. Demonstrate your kindom to us and through our time of gathering so that we may be firm and steadfast in love and action to make your way known. Reveal the path you trail before us so that we may follow you clearly with distraction or detour. May your Spirit enliven, challenge, and guide us in all things and for all days. Amen.

A Time for Children

Scripture

Epistle Reading: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 (pew Bible pg. 242)

Gospel Reading: Luke 12:32-40 (pew Bible pg. 76)

This Morning's Sermon

Rev. Bryan S. Breault

A Time of Prayer

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

A Moment of Silence

Hymn #520 "Eternal Spirit of the Living God" SURSUM CORDA

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

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 "The Lord is My Shepherd" Henry Smart
Devin Dukes and Jess Doughty, duet

*Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

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 Thanksgiving

*Closing Hymn #377 "Forward Through the Ages" ST. GERTRUDE

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.

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. Aug 10 10:00 am Worship Service

Mon. Aug 18 7:00p pm Music Swap

Wed. Aug 20 1-3 pm Clothes Closet
Wed. Aug 20 3:00 pm Shelter Mgmt Mtng
Wed. Aug 20 6:30 pm Council Meeting

Thur. Aug 21 7:00 pm Contra Dance

Sun. Aug 24 11:30 am Book 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 and Nor Dale **Live Streamer:** Tori Bachman

Liturgist: Davis Balestracci

Ushers: Katy Rand and Jeff Zamboni

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

