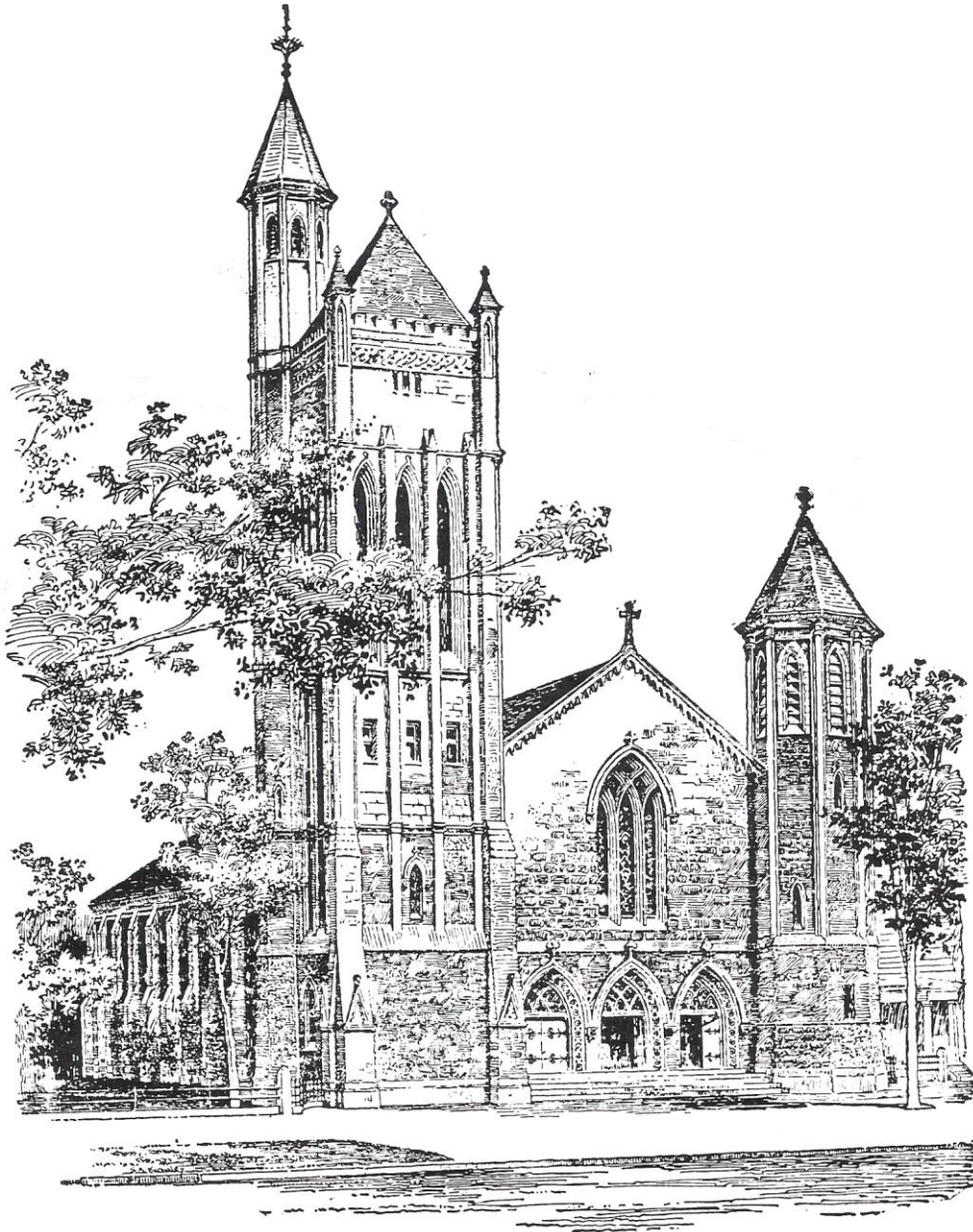


State Street Church

United Church of Christ
A Progressive Open and Affirming Church

November 2, 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 | "Sonata #1" (Adagio)  | Felix Mendelssohn |
|         | The Kingsfold Trumpet | Alfred Fedak      |

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

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| *Opening Hymn #407 | "How Firm a Foundation" | FOUNDATION |
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| *Call To Worship (Inspired by Psalm 32) | Barbara Conroy |
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One:                    We gather surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.

**Many:                Their love and courage still light our way.**

One:                    We remember the saints who have gone before us.

**Many:                Their faith continues to shape our own.**

One:                    God of all generations, make us mindful of our place in your story.

**Many:                We worship with gratitude and hope, one body in Christ's love.**

\*Please rise in body or spirit

Prayer of Invocation (Unison)

**Eternal and Living God,  
we give you thanks for all who have walked your path of love before  
us. In their stories we hear echoes of your grace in their faith, we  
glimpse your steadfast presence. Come among us now with the  
same Spirit that sustained them— awakening our hearts, renewing  
our courage, and knitting us together as one communion of saints,  
on earth and in heaven.  
Amen.**

A Time for Children

Scripture

Hebrew Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

(pew Bible pg. 974)

Christian Reading: Luke 6:20-31

(pew Bible pg.65)

This Morning's Sermon

Rev. Bryan S. Breault

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation

Prayer of Confession (unison)

**God of mercy and renewal,  
we confess that we do not always live as your saints in the world. We  
forget that we belong to one another, and we turn from the needs of our  
neighbors. We cling to what is comfortable and resist the Spirit's call to  
transformation. Forgive us, God. Cleanse us by your grace and restore  
in us the image of Christ— that, gathered at your table, we may be made  
one with all your people, in heaven and on earth.  
Amen.**

God's Assurance of Forgiveness

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.**

Choral Response

Breaking of the Bread

Sharing of the Elements

*You are invited to come forward down the center aisle for the bread and cup. We take the bread individually to symbolize our unique relationship with God, and we take the cup back to our seats, via the side aisle, wait, then drink together at the same time to symbolize our unity as the body of Christ.*

*The bread is gluten-free and the cup contains non-alcoholic grape juice. If you need the bread and cup brought to you, the deacons will serve you. Please raise your hand when they look to the congregation.*

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 vision 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.**

## 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

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| Offertory | "Guide My Feet, Lord" | arr. John Carter |
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| *Doxology |  | OLD HUNDREDTH |
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**"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God, all creatures here below,  
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host,  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen."**

## Prayer of Dedication

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| *Closing Hymn #299 | "For All the Saints" | SINE NOMINE |
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## \*Benediction

### Benediction Response

*Everyone is welcome to coffee hour in Chapel Hall (through the door at the front left of the sanctuary) following the start of the Postlude. Those who wish to listen to the Postlude are welcome to sit in the front pews if they prefer.*

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| Postlude | "Prelude and Fugue in D Major" | Dietrich Buxtehude |
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**State Street Holiday Fair**  
**Saturday, Nov. 8, 2025**  
**9 am to 2 pm**

**The final week is here!**

**Silent Auction Preview:** Check out this year's items! There will be a link in this week's email.

**LAST CALL to bring in stuff for sale!** Gold & jewelry, attic treasures & vintage, crafts, tag sale, books, games & puzzles. Donations can be dropped off Tuesday and Wednesday 10 am to 4 pm. Deadline is Wednesday, Nov. 5 by 4 PM.

**Baked goods:** We need more baked goods! A dozen of your favorite cookies, pies, breads, brownies, etc. Bring them in on Friday 11/7 before 3 pm or early Saturday 11/8.

**Share the Holiday Fair & Luncheon on Social Media.**

Post on your social media and invite family, friends & neighbors.

**Then, on Fair day, be ready to enjoy yourself while you work hard with others to pull off the most important church fundraiser and one of the best fellowship events of the year!**



**Do you have a class ring you no longer wear, or which is broken or no longer fits?**

Last year we were pleased when we realized the benefit of the gold value in two 10K class rings.

This year, we have a new separate fundraising goal of raising \$5,000 to help balance the church's annual budget. If we can collect just 7 gold class rings we can achieve this goal!

For your convenience, we've installed a red lock box on the hutch in the hallway by the church office where you can safely deposit the rings.

Thank you for your generosity.

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. Nov 2 10:00 am Worship Service  
Wed. Nov 5 12:30-2:30 pm Clothes Closet  
Wed. Nov 5 6:30 pm Current Events Group  
Fri. Nov 7 3 pm Hugh Robinson Memorial  
Sat. Nov 8 9am-2pm HOLIDAY FAIR!  
Sun. Nov 9 11:30 am Deacon's Meeting

#### **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.

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| <b>Deacons:</b>              | Tori Bachman, Nor Dale, Margy Soule or Priscilla Bird |
| <b>Ushers:</b>               | Jeff Zamboni and Landis Gabel                         |
| <b>Liturgist:</b>            | Barb Conroy                                           |
| <b>Fellowship Hour Host:</b> | Sally Decatur and Steve Conroy                        |
| <b>Greeter:</b>              | Mort Soule                                            |

**An easy way to support State Street Church: scan the QR code with your phone!**



#### **State Street Church, United Church of Christ**

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

