# **WELCOME!**

A very special welcome this morning to visitors and guests and a welcome back to those who haven't been here for a while.

## We would love to know you are here!

Please scan and follow the prompts.

This is also a way to subscribe to the e-newsletter, request a name tag, and ask questions in the comment section. Go ahead, give it a try!



If you prefer a non-digital option, there are clipboards on a table in the back if you'd like to receive newsletters or would like a nametag.

## **Adult Bible Study**

Please join Rob Cronin for a 12-session adult Bible study series called "Saving Jesus." Each session will be offered on Thursday in a hybrid format: by Zoom and in-person (in the Fireside Room) from 7 to 8 pm MST. Zoom participants, please RSVP to Rob and he will send you the Zoom meeting invitation and link.

You can RSVP by email at <a href="mailto:youthministry@ucclongmont.org">youthministry@ucclongmont.org</a>; by phone or text at 612-481-4252; or by scanning the QR Code below.



#### **Church Voice & Bell Choir**

Consider signing up for the Church Voice or Bell Choir. Beginners welcome! Rehearsals are on Wednesdays with the Bell Choir meeting from 5:30-6:45 PM and the Voice choir meeting from 7:15-8:45 PM. Please email UCC's music director, Lauren Black, at

Music@ucclongmont.org to sign up!

#### **Children And Youth**

Children are always welcome in the sanctuary. A staffed nursery is available in the back of the sanctuary. We also have a coloring table, as well as books and activities behind the last pew.

Children's Church for elementary school kids meets every Sunday except the 1st Sunday of every month. Kids begin in the Sanctuary with their grown-ups.

Youth Group (grades 6-12) meets on January 21, 11:30 AM– 1:30 PM@ UCCLongmont. Questions? Email Rob Cronin: youthministry@ucclongmont.org

### Want to get in touch?

- Phone: 303-776-4940
- Church Moderators, Wayne Simmons & Steven Tani: moderator@ucclongmont
- Newsletter and office questions: Admin@ucclongmont.org
- Building use and reserving space: Building@ucclongmont.org

## **Our Sunday Morning Clergy and Staff Team**

- Senior Minister: Rev. Sarah Verasco sverasco@ucclongmont.org
- Minister of Community Faith Formation: Rev. Amelia Richardson Dress—adress@ucclongmont.org
- Music Director: Lauren Black—music@ucclongmont.org
- Pianist: Robert Hjelmstad—rhjelmstad@ucclongmont.org
- Sunday Site Supervisor: Alissa Kuster
- Child care: Addyson, Lynsie & Nicole
- Youth Minister: Rob Cronin -- youthministry@ucclongmont.org

## **Financial Contributions Welcomed**

Financial contributions to UCC Longmont are welcome & wanted! Please use the offering boxes on the wall in the back of the Sanctuary. If you would like to give on Sundays. You can also give through our 2 online options, Vanco Online or Vanco Mobile which can be found at:

ucclongmont.org/giving.

Or scanning the QR Code to the right.

All generosity is appreciated!

# United Church Of Christ Longmont

An Open And Affirming Congregation

A Creation Justice Church





January 21, 2024 Worship 10:15

**Gathering Music** 

Robert Hielmstad

**Hymn and Bringing in the Light** 

Arise, Your Light Is Come NCH #164

Welcome

Rev. Amelia Richardson Dress

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey.

You are welcome here!

**Gathering Words** 

Rev. Sarah Verasco

One: Children of God: welcome!

Many: Welcome to this place of love and grace, One: Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.

Many: God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,

One: God invites all of us to share in the good news:

Many: We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we

are.

One: In gratitude for all of this, we turn our hearts to God.

Gift of Music

MLK

**Scripture and Reflection** 

Matthew 1:18-21

Hvmn

The Summons

**Prayers of the Community** 

**Prayer of Jesus** 

Mother of us all,

who dwells within and beyond,

Sacred is your name.

May your holy vision for collective flourishing

come to fruition among us.

May your dreams of justice, love, compassion, and connection be

enfleshed on earth.

Provide us today with what we need to be nourished in body, soul, and heart.

and neart.

Forgive us for the harm we cause,

as we seek to forgive those who have harmed us.

Lead us away from everything that destroys.

Liberate us from the hands of evil.

For you are the ultimate source of hope.

Your power-with exceeds all power-over.

Your presence incites eternal wonder.

All praise to you, our comfort and strength.

Amen.

**Community Matters** 

Matthew Zavala

Going in Song

Pass the Love Sing #208

Blessing

**Postlude** 

#### The Summons



#### This Week's Schedule

#### Today

- Worship Service and Childress's Church 10:15 AM
- Youth Group 3:00 PM at Ice Skating Pavilion at Roosevelt Park

4-5:30 pm - Games, Hot Cocoa and snacks at UCC Longmont

#### Monday

• Rev. Sarah Drop-in office hours 10:00 AM- 11:00 AM

#### Wednesday

- Walking Group—1:00PM—Pella Crossing
- Bell Choir 5:30 -6:45 PM
- Voice Choir 7:15 8:45 PM

#### **Thursday**

Bible Study 7:00-8:00 PM

#### **Office Hours**

Monday - Friday - 9:00-12:00PM

# Prayers

Prayers for Heather August .(Please check) Caring Bridge for updates) Prayers for Elizabeth Nosek as she recovers from heart surgery. Prayers for families and the community of Wrangell Alaska, after the landslide. Wayne Moore's Cousin, David Stephen's daughter and family were among those who died—Beth, Timothy, Mara, Derek, and Kara. Prayers for Ron Wunsch and family following the death of his wife.. Deborah Simmons, look for updates through Caring Bridge. Prayers for Zelda Zavala (John's niece) who's been diagnosed with breast cancer. Hope Del Valle (Linda Zavala's niece) recovering from a stroke. Prayers for Arlie Ostrander. Prayers for spouses and family members needing to be healthcare advocates and care givers. Prayers for John Zavala's brother Joe and Rey navigating serious health issues. Prayers for healing and renewal for our Earth.