# 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'd love would 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." We will begin with orientation sessions on Sunday 1/7 and Thursday 1/11. Each session will be offered twice a week on Sunday and Thursday. Sunday sessions will be in-person in Room 10 from 9 to 10 am. Thursday sessions will be 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 7th , 5-7 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 -- youth@ucclongmont.org

# **Financial Contributions Welcomed**

Financial contributions to UCC Longmont are welcome & wanted! Please use the offering boxes 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!



January 7th, 2024 Worship 10:15

Gathering Music Robert Hjelmstad

**Hymn & Bringing in the Light** "Shout to the Lord" Sing! #126

**Welcome**: Rev. Amelia Richardson Dress

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

You are welcome here!

Call to Worship Rev. Sarah Verasco

One: Come!

Come and be welcomed,

you who woke early and you who slept late; you who are older and you who are younger.

Many: Whether we are first or last or somewhere in between, there is room for all of us in God's kingdom, and more

than enough grace to go around.

All: Let's worship God together!

**Scripture and Intergenerational Reflection** 

Our Parent in heaven, you are awesome!

Anthem "Dona nobis pacem"

**Prayer of Jesus** 

Show us who you are and how you want us to be.

Make earth more like heaven.

Please give us what we need to keep going each day.

Help us when we are wrong and clean us up on the inside.

Help us to let other people off and move on.

Keep us from bad stuff.

You're in charge!

You're strong and powerful and always there.

Amen.

#### **Invitation to Communion**

One: We are here because Jesus has called us –

strangers and friends,

locals and visitors,

believers and doubters.

the certain and the curious.

Another: It is always a mixed company that Jesus gathers

and invites to his table where, in bread and wine,

he meets us and through him we, who are different,

are joined to each other

One: So come, not because you understand,

but because you are understood.

Another: Come, knowing Jesus invites you, just as you are.

**Hymn** "Let Us Break Bread Together" NCH #330

Words of Blessing

**Sharing the Bread and Cup** 

We use gluten free bread and juice so that everyone can eat and drink together. If you would like a server to come to you, please raise your hand.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sung Thanksgiving "Grateful" Sing! #143

**Passing the Peace** 

Community Matters Kelli Bronski

A Song for Leaving "There's Bread for the Journey" Sing! #210

**Blessing** 

**Postlude** Robert Hjelmstad

### This Week's Schedule

### Today

- Bible Study 9:00 AM-10:00 AM Room 10
- Worship Service 10:15 AM
- Youth Group 5:00-7:00 PM

### Monday

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

### Wednesday

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

   8:45 PM

### **Thursday**

• Bible Study 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

#### **Office Hours**

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

# Prayers

Prayers for Heather August. (Please checkCaring 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.

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- 2. Click "Link your card" (bottom left)
- 3. Search "VL410" and "Enroll" (First Cong UCC-1500 9th Ave)