

# HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Today, we celebrate all who nurture with love and care—mothers, caregivers, mentors, and chosen family. Love knows no single definition, and we honor the many ways it shapes our lives.

## Gift Economy Board

Have you seen our new Gift Economy board? This is a place for you to share items in need of a good home, or look for something you're in need of. It's on the wall as you go towards the restrooms.

## Senior Send-off Sunday

**May 18th, 10:15–11:00 AM** – Join us as we recognize, bless, and celebrate our seniors during the worship service, followed by cake.

## Children and Youth

**Children's Church-** Children's Church meets this week during worship. Children begin in the sanctuary and then are invited to leave if they'd like. Children are always welcome to remain in the sanctuary for the service.

**Youth Group-** (grades 6-12)- No youth group after church this week due to Mother's Day - Happy Mother's Day to all the moms!  
Questions? Ask Rob Cronin - email: [youthministry@ucclongmont.org](mailto:youthministry@ucclongmont.org) or cell: 612-481-4252

## Financial Contributions Welcomed

Your generosity supports our mission and ministry at UCC Longmont! If you'd like to donate today, you can give online at <https://ucclongmont.org/giving/> or using the QR code.

There are also boxes on the back wall if you'd like to give by check or cash.



## 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!**

Use the QR code to subscribe to the e-newsletter, request a name tag, and ask questions in the comment section. Go ahead, give it a try!



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**An Open and Affirming Congregation  
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**Freed to Rise Again**



**May 11, 2025** **Worship Service**  
**Gathering Music** Robert Hjelmstad  
**Welcome & Gathering Words** Whitney Janzen-Pankratz

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey,  
**You are welcome here!**

**Maternal Remembrance & Bringing in the Light**  
*Bring Many Names* NCH #11, vs 1, 2 & 6

**Gift of Music** *I Am the Resurrection* by Doreen McGowan

Christ came to Earth as part of God's call  
Bringing new life and salvation to all  
For us on Calvary's cross He bled  
Now He is risen from the dead!

I am the Resurrection and the life!  
He that believeth, believeth in me,  
Though he were dead, shall he live.  
I am the Resurrection and the life!  
He that believeth, believeth in me,  
Shall have eternal life

Christ gives new life to all who believe,  
Those who will ask Him will truly receive.  
For He is risen from the dead,  
Christ is triumphant as he said

**Gift of Spoken Word** Strider "Arkansas" Benston  
**Seed #1** **Strider** ©1980

My Life lies encumbered  
by things **un done**  
by letters un written by songs yet un sung  
by mountains un climbed by rivers un swum  
Would my Spirit **awaken!**  
and my Journey be gun.

My pages un-written  
float out of my mind - -  
like *feathers* in hurricanes wasted by Time.

My love yet ungiven my voice yet unkind  
could never park memories precious to find.

My Paths yet untrod  
gently beckon to me  
While Fear screams out Loudly  
of Dangers to be.

My Soul shall *NOT* listen  
nor longer take heed  
For Tomorrow is the Garden  
While **I am the Seed.**

**Scripture & Reflection** Acts 9:36-43  
**Hymn** *Rise Up, Rise Up* Sing! #180 x3  
**Communal Prayer for Rising** written by m jade kaiser

May the weary find a soft place to rest.  
**May the privileged and protected escalate acts of solidarity.**  
May the courageous grow in multitudes.  
**May the creatives invite us into the truths we need to feel.**  
May the fruit of righteous labors satisfy.  
**May the lonely find comfort in the night.**  
May the migrating be welcomed with hospitality.  
**May the complicit repent.**  
May the fearful keep showing up, keep wrestling, keep taking steps.  
**May the seeking be found by the Sacred they long for.**  
May the unjust powerful step-down or be taken down.  
**May the mourning not be rushed to heal.**  
May the caretakers have their cups refilled.  
**May the Holy One within each of us rise, rise, rise. AMEN.**

**Community Matters** Tammie Ostdiek

**Passing of the Peace**

**Sending Hymn** *A Song Must Rise* Sing! #209

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

**Notes**

**This Week's Schedule**

**Today, May 11, 2025**

- Worship Service– 10:15 am
- Happy Hour-11:00 am
- Youth Group- No youth group after church this week due to Mother's Day

**Monday, May 12, 2025**

- Whitney walking office hours- 11:00 am-12:00 pm

**Wednesday, May 14, 2025**

- Rev. Amelia Drop in Hours– 10:00 am– 11:00 am
- Bell Choir - 5:30 pm–6:45 pm
- Voice Choir - 7:15 pm–8:45 pm

**Office Hours**

- Monday-Friday– 9:00 am-12:00 pm

**Prayers**

Prayers for Elizabeth, daughter of Sally and Jim Macdonald, as she recovers from a stroke. Peace and support for Pat Marcy in his radiation treatments and recovery. Prayers for Julie Nosek for her shoulder surgery on May 1st. Prayers for the family of Rose Macy following her passing. Prayers for Lysa Burianek and her family after the death of her sister, brother-in-law and niece. Prayers for the family of Mike Holdaway following his death. Prayers for Miryam Hammond for healing. Prayers for Wayne and the entire Simmons family following the death of Deb Simmons. Prayers of peace and support for Ning, Phyllis Rostykus's mother, and their family while Ning is in hospice. Prayers for JoAnn Bell following Jim Bell's passing. Prayers for Heidrun, a friend of Marie Smith's daughter, who has colon cancer. Prayers for healing for Jim Schwendeman, and for Heather Yokum and their family as they support Jim. Prayers for John Flanders for healing. Prayers for Heather August (please check Caring Bridge for updates). Prayers for Hope Del Valle (Linda Zavala's niece) as she recovers from a stroke. Prayers for Arlie Ostrander. Prayers for spouses and family members needing to be healthcare advocates and caregivers. Prayers for healing and renewal for our Earth.