State Street Church United Church of Christ

A Progressive Open and Affirming Church

July 20, 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 | "Trio Sonata no. 1" (fi "Sonata #3" (| | J. S. Bach Alexandre Guilmant | |
| 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 | | | | |
| | mn #1 "Immortal, Invisible | God Only Wise | ST. DENIO | |
| *Call to Worship (Inspired by Psalm 52) Zareen Mirza | | | | |
| One: | In the presence of the faithful, we proclaim the name of God, for it is good. | | | |
| Many: | We thank you forever because of what you have done. | | | |
| One: | Holy One, we trust in you. We take refuge in your safety. We call your presence our home. | | | |
| Many: | We are like olive trees rooted in your soil—growing and fruitful. You nourish us and shine your light upon us. | | | |
| One: | Faithful God, in you, we find love and truth, abundance and compassion, community and care. | | | |
| Many: | any: We praise and exalt you, Eternal One. We trust in your steadfast love forever and ever. | | | |

Invocation (unison)

Abiding God, we invite you to inhabit our space. We long to renew our minds, restore our souls, and rest our presence before you. Still, we bring the burdens we carry into this gathering. We hold our responsibilities, cares, and concerns. Let us bind ourselves in your love and strength and the community of faithful and curious. We affirm that this time with you and one another equips and fortifies us for the journey and helps us discern the better way. Be glorified in our worship. Be honored by our praise. Be known by your people, O Creator, Teacher, and Friend. In your many names, we pray. Amen.

A Time for Children

Scripture

Hebrew Scripture: Amos 8:1-12 and Psalm 15 Christian Scripture: Colossians 1:15-28

(pew Bible pg. 954; 546) (pew Bible pg. 213)

Rev. Bryan S. Breault

This Morning's Sermon

A Time of Prayer

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

glory forever. Amen.

A Moment of Silence

Hymn #465 "Teach Me, O Lord, Your Holy Way" Pastoral Prayer

ROCKINGHAM

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

Offering and Dedication of Pledges

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 *Doxology | | AURELIA |
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| Praise God Praise God Praise God | from whom all blessings flow. , all creatures here below, above, you heav'nly host, rist, and Holy Ghost. Amen. | |
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*Closing Hymn #522

"I Love to Tell the Story"

HANKEY

*Benediction

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.

Postlude

"Toccata in G Major"

Theodore Dubois

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 |
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| Sun. | Jul 20 10:00 an | n Worship Service & Kids Church |
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| Sun. Thur. Wed. Thur. Wed. Mon. Wed. Wed. | Jul 27 Jul 31 Aug 6 | 7:00p pm Music Swap 11:30 am Book Group 7:00 pm Contra Dance 6:30 pm Current Events Grp 7:00 pm Contra Dance 5:30 pm Trustees Meeting 7:00p pm Music Swap 1-3 pm Clothes Closet 3:00 pm Shelter Mgmt Mtng 6:30 pm Council 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.

| Deacons: Steve Ouellette and Nor Dale | Deacons: | Steve Ouellette and Nor Dale |
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Liturgist: Zareen Mirza

Ushers: Sally Decatur and Denny Barrantes

Greeter: Steve Ouellette

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

