

If you are worshipping in-person, you acknowledge that you may be visible on live broadcast or archived video. If you are uncomfortable about the possibility of appearing on video, please ask a greeter to be reseated to a more private area. We try our best to avoid filming faces of the children.

Childcare is available for infants and toddlers this week. Coloring and activity pages for the children are refreshed each week and can be found in the basket in the entrance/narthex by the food shelf. Feel free to move to the couches or back pews if you'd like more room to move around, play on the farm rug or color on the floor.

Today for the children – Following the Children's Moment during worship, children are invited to **Exploring God Outdoors**-- We will be outdoors rain or shine & making mud pies.

Join us following worship today for:

Hospitality Hour in Amistad Hall! Join the Stewardship Team as we celebrate together with fellowship, coffee and light refreshments. All ages welcome.

Adult Education - Please join Peg Pfab and Dave Dodsen for **How Do You Sustain Hope in a Time of Profound Anxiety About an Uncertain Future?** We will meet in the Niebuhr Room, for a discussion approximately 10 minutes into Coffee Hour.

We invite you to support the mission and ministry of the church. You may give online at www.chucc.org or in person with cash or check in the basket at the back of the sanctuary. Thank you in advance for your generosity. **Your presence here today is a blessing.**

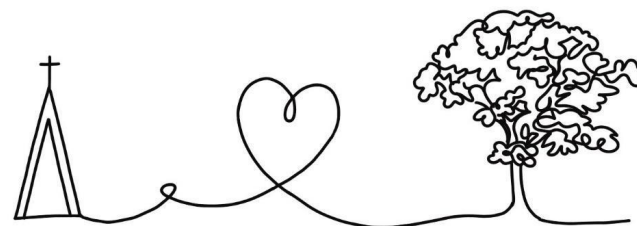
Please take some time during the prelude to transition between *getting here* and *being here*. *Asterisks indicate please rise in body or spirit.

Minister: Every Member ~ Pastor: Mary Sue Evers
Director of Faith Formation: Amy Norden ~ Music Director: Colin Shepard
Moderators: Steve Thieme, Nancy Elder, Ruth Schleyer
Nursery Attendant: Jessica DeWet ~ Office Administrator: Allison Neal

Cedar Hills United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming Church

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



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PRELUDE
WELCOME AND LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Colin Shepard
Rev. Mary Sue Evers

CENTERING MUSIC
the congregation joins in...

Colin Shepard

*Sing and rejoice, sing and rejoice, let all things living, now, sing and rejoice.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Peace and goodwill to all, peace and goodwill!*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Eileen Behnke

God has given us breath to live and spirit to sing.

Thanks be to God!

And so we appreciate our commonalities and differences

Share joy and a sense of humor!

Trust in one other's good intentions

Give generously of our spirit and substance -

Are willing to forgive and seek forgiveness.

Take responsibility for our actions and their consequences

Show our appreciation for the efforts of others

Commit to sustaining this church community for all who will follow.

God has gathered us into a community of care and worship.

Let us rejoice and be glad!

***HYMN Creator, Redeemer, Dear Spirit of Grace** Rev. Lou Wargo, tune: St. Denio, #1

*Creator, Redeemer, Dear Spirit of Grace,
We've all come together in this sacred place;
We differ as persons so, God, make us one
That working together, your will may be done.*

*You call us to mission, to love and to care,
To bring light to darkness and hope to despair
To lift up the fallen, the captive to free
That peace might encompass all humanity.*

***PASSING THE PEACE**

Eileen Behnke

By lighting the peace candle, we commit ourselves to the peace that Jesus taught and lived. Just as the risen Christ greeted his disciples saying "Peace be with you," let us greet one another, both here and through our screens, in mutual love.

***MUSICAL RESPONSE**

*Together we worship, together we sing;
Together we offer the gifts each one brings.
We're one in Christ's body; for that we give praise
And ask for your guidance in living these days.*

INVOCATION

Eileen Behnke

God of bulldog love that will not let us go, help us be true to ourselves as we begin to understand that your grace is sufficient for all things, and your presence the source of all joy. Amen

CHILDREN'S MOMENT AND BIBLE BLESSING Amy Norden, Mary Sue Evers

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STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Rev. Peg Pfab

BIBLE BACKGROUND

SCRIPTURE

Philippians 4:1-9

SERMON

The Doorway into Thanks . . . and More

Mary Sue Evers

Eileen Behnke

Mary Sue Evers

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

We are delighted to welcome into membership Lynne Alley, Michael and Holly Kazarinoff, and Carter Latendresse,

CHORAL ANTHEM Festival Sanctus *John Leavitt*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER (debts)

***HYMN**

You are invited to come forward with your pledges and prayers -- and the leaves where you've written your dreams for the future -- and join a circle around the sanctuary.

SPP #33

There's a Spirit of Love in this Place

SPP #201

Deep Peace

***BLESSING**

Mary Sue Evers

***POSTLUDE**

Colin Shepherd