

"Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy." + Psalm 98:8

The meaning of the word "together" has changed a lot this year. Gatherings in person have been limited. Perhaps this limitation has been an opportunity for us, which has caused us to stretch and become very clever in imagining *how* we gather!

A year ago, livestreaming our services was just a pipe dream, something that we would love to do *someday*. A year ago, I couldn't have imagined utilizing Zoom for church meetings. A year ago, I couldn't have imagined outdoor worship in our parking lot! Yet, all of these have come to fruition this year.

If this year has taught us anything it is that we are together, even when we are apart. And our togetherness - our oneness as a community of faith is a cause for JOY in a year that has been marked by much confusion, fear, discord, and sadness.

For me and my family, College Hill UMC has been a source of JOY for us this year. Being connected to God and a faith community has been important to us for a long time, but this year, we have leaned into these out-of-the-box ways of gathering together and we have leaned into the promises of our faith, when it feels like everything around us is failing.

Personally, 2020 has also caused us to re-commit to investing financially at CHUM. In March, when COVID hit, we switched our gift to online rather than writing a check and dropping it in the plate. When we did this, we chose to increase our gift by \$50 a month for two reasons. The first reason was because we knew that providing the option of online giving incurs a service fee for the church. The second reason was because we realized that our household income remained steady and we were able to stretch our budget in this way to help the church and to fill the gap for others who had to give less because of lay-offs, furloughs, or early retirements.

For the upcoming three Sundays (Nov. 8, 15, 22), worship will focus on our annual stewardship campaign. We'll talk about joy; we'll talk about together-ness; we'll talk about giving generously. As we go through these weeks, my spouse and I will be prayerfully considering our pledge to CHUM in 2021. We'll be looking at our budget and talking about ways we can stretch and increase yet again. We know that the longer we live in the reality of the global pandemic, the harder it will be for the church to meet its expenses. Because CHUM brings us JOY, we want to be part of supporting its existence and ministries through and beyond COVID.

Will you join us?

Peace, Pastor Jill Midweek Devotional
Check into Facebook Live
every Thursday at 10:30am.
Rev. Jill will give a
short devotional each week.

Church Services

9:00 am Worship - Traditional Sanctuary

10:15 am Worship - Contemporary Fellowship Hall

These services can be found on the College Hill UMC website at: **collegehillumc.org** or go to College Hill United Methodist Church Facebook page and start a watch party.

Sunday - November 8, 2020 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: New Songs of Faith
Together for Joy series
Rev. Jill Sander-Chali

Sermon Theme: Our call to live generously as Christian people ultimately connects back to the joy we have in God and in being part of a church community. Now more than ever, we need to find new ways to be "together for joy." This series will give space to acknowledge all that has changed in our world this year, while at the same time invite us to financially support CHUM in the year ahead. We invest financially, giving thanks for community and our new songs, sung out loud in harmony with all creation, as the seas roar and hills sing together for joy!

Psalm 98: 1 - 3

November 1, 2020	
Attendance	(online services)
Views - 9:00am	481
Views - 10:15am	314
11:45am Service	45
Total Giving	\$13,299.00



Our Sympathy to ... Mary Crawshaw, in the death of her daughter, Susan Crawshaw Bane on Sunday, October 25, 2020.

Cards of sympathy may be sent to:

Mary Crawshaw 8600 E. 21St. N., #120 Wichita, KS 67206

Also, our sympathy goes out to Drew Brenner and family, in the loss of his mother. Drew is the C.O.O. of the Medical Loan Closet. Our sympathy to the family of Nianne Mohlstrom, in her death of October 24th.

Church Conference

This year the church conference will be held on Monday, November 9, and led by Rev. Jill Sander-Chali. It will begin at 7:30pm. All are invited to attend and those who are CHUM members are allowed to vote. Call the church office and Debbie will be happy to give you the Zoom info you will need to attend this meeting.



If you have a prayer request, feel free to email Patty or Debbie, call the church office phone number, or look for the link on the College Hill UMC webpage. Let us know if you want your request published or for the pastor only.

TGIF* Friday, November 6 @ 5:30pm Metro Bistro 321 S. Andover Rd. Andover

Everyone is welcome to join us for dinner and conversation! For more information contact Janice Rich, 312-4029



Turkey Giveaway 2020

As we all know, 2020 has been quite a year. However, we still plan on giving away 300 Turkeys Thanksgiving. We

are grateful for the support you have given in the past towards this ministry. This year, due to Pandemic-related grants to the KS Food Bank, our food costs have been reduced, which will allow us to cover the cost of turkeys this year, but we look forward to your support in future years. Thank you all so much.

The Jelly Guys

We are always thankful to Ken Smith for donating the jars of jellies we share with our visitors in our Welcome Bags. Due to pandemic, Ken is having trouble purchasing the jars needed for his jams and jellies. Now Ken needs our

help! He needs 8 oz. quilted Ball or Kerr jars only - no lids. These can be new or cleaned jars you have purchased from him. For every 5 iars donated you will receive a free jar of



jelly/jam. Steve's Jams & Jellies is located in Towne West Mall across from JoAnn's Fabrics located at: 4600 West Kellogg.

Phone: (316) 644 – 1466

Ken is open on Fridays & Saturdays. The jars could also be dropped of at the church office on Monday's from 9:00am - 2:00pm but we cannot give you your free jar of jam/jelly - you will need to make those donations at the store.

*We encourage all church groups to adhere to CHUM's phased plan. However, groups not meeting on church property are not necessarily following CHUM's phased guidelines. College Hill is not liable for any illness that may occur. Please use your best judgment.

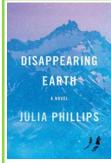


We are hoping to continue our Parking Lot Worship Services on the First Sunday of each Month from 11:45am - 12:15pm. This of course is weather dependent! Communion will be served at these services! We all look forward to seeing our fellow CHUMites in person, whether sitting in a lawn chair, on a blanket, or inside their car. Hope you will join us!

Sadly there will not be a Crawl for Botanica's Illuminations this December. We will make it up in 2021.

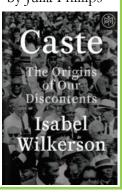
CHUM's Blessing Box

THANK YOU to so many of you as we continue to fill the **CHUM Blessing Box to help** those in need. Please, if you have items, feel free to come put them in the box as well. So many are in need of food, water, hygiene items, gloves, hats, scarves, etc.



November 8 11:30am Host: Genell Arnold **Disappearing** Earth: A Novel by Julia Phillips December 13





Faith Sisters' Book

Club

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS NOTES CLASSES MEET AT 10:15 AM UNLESS NOTED (via Zoom)

AGAPE - We met via Zoom thanks to Ted Knopp!

COMMON THREADS - No class on Sunday because it was the first Sunday of the month. Will resume class on November 8th.

COMMUNICATORS - Seventeen members and two guests gathered for our weekly Zoom meeting in Techno Land. Thank you, Sharon Peters for the devotion that included various saints as we reflected on All Saints day and for John Brewer's meaningful prayer. It was suggested this week that we ponder on "What it is to be Holy?" Prayer Requests: Sam Peters; Don Caywood's son, Ken; Trudy MacDonald; Linda White's mother, Lois Hamilton; Zeh family; John Brewer; Linda Roberson's brother, Mark; Alta's son, Charlie; Tricia Glidewell; John Brewer's sister-in-law, Liz; all COVID victims, a speedy recovery; teachers, students and parents; all healthcare workers; and all unspoken prayers and concerns. Evelyn Stilson has volunteered to give devotions on Sunday. Until we meet again in Techno Land, may all be safe and "soak in the light."

CONTEMPORARY STUDIES - Another great ZOOM get-together for first Sunday in November! Happy Birthdays wished this month for Tracy Harrison, Don Zook, and Ann Reed. Remembered Nan Porter and Nancy Hinman today on All Saints Day. Keith Williamson led us in discussion of issues in The Peacemaker Question as we pondered how to take peacemaking from the pulpit to the streets. Next class - November 15 - Chapt 9, The Discipleship Question.

VICEROY - "Only God and certain madmen have no doubts!" - Martin Luther; this quote starts chapter 15 of Adam Hamilton's book, Seeing Grey in a World of Black and White, where we will discuss the nature of faith, which will be the topic for next Sunday. Wishing everyone to continue to stay safe!



CHUM FUN NIGHT! Thursdays through November 19 6:30 - 7:30pm via Zoom

Each week we will have a person from our congregation introduce themselves then lead us in a fun activity. Some you may need to have supplies but others will not require anything but your attendance. We have quite a variety of fun activities so we hope you will join in the fun!

- November 5 Twenty Questions with Jodi Rice
- November 12 Wichita Trivia with Meredith Means & Patty Ruzich
- November 19 Dance Party with Liz Wine (Final evening)

Contact Debbie Snell for the Zoom info to join in the fun. It will be the same every week. Call the church office or email Debbie at:

Debbie.snell@collegehillumc.org.



Links to Sunday, November 1 **Worship Services**

9:00am

http://collegehillumc.org/ media/541013-2204160-2759803/9 -a-m-wasting-away

10:15am

http://collegehillumc.org/ media/541013-2204160-2759843/10-15-waisting-away



Look for us at https:// www.youtube.com/channel/ UC0 SDrUvXInezViBKavicxw? view as=subscriber.



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YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL Front of the Church Sunday, November 8, 2020

All youth 5th-12th grade come join us as we gather together at the church. We will gather at 1 p.m. Bring a lawn chair and wear a mask. Looking forward to seeing you all. There will be prizes.

Kids' Connection for K - 4th Wednesday Evenings 6:00pm w/ Jodi

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The Lion and the Pope Papineau



