

Children's Church and Youth Group

Children's Worship:

Children's Church meets this week during worship! All elementary school aged kids are invited to participate. If you child would like to join us, please sign them on the Worship Room Host's clipboard in the back of the sanctuary at the beginning of the service. The kids will gather with the Hosts on the back pew and go to the Worship Room after the Welcome. You will sign them out in the Worship Room (Room 12, just down the hall) at 11:15 am following the service.

Youth Group: (grades 6-12)

UCC Longmont Events

Intergenerational Ice Skating

Jan 25 - Sunday 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

The LoCo Youth Group is hosting an intergenerational ice-skating event at the Longmont Ice Rink in Roosevelt Park. Anyone from the congregation (plus friends and family) are invited to join us! UCC Longmont will pay for entrance and skate rentals and we'll provide some snacks and hot chocolate to keep your energy up!

Liturgies for Resisting Empire Discussion Group:

Mondays, 6:30 - 7:30 pm on Zoom, Jan 26 - Feb 16. Join Rev. Whitney for a discussion group based on the book Liturgies for Resisting Empire by Kat Armas. In this 4 week series we will discuss how the construct of empire exists in the fabric of our society, and ways that, like Jesus, we can disrupt these patterns for liberation. RSVP to Rev. Whitney at wjanzenpankratz@ucclongmont.org for the zoom link. Reading the book to participate is welcome, but not required.



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.



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Financial contributions to UCC Longmont are welcome! 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 two online options, Vanco Online or Vanco Mobile which can be found at ucclongmont.org/giving

All generosity is appreciated!



**First
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Christ, Longmont**

**AN OPEN & AFFIRMING
CONGREGATION
A CREATION JUSTICE
CHURCH**

January 25, 2026

10:15 am

Community Matters

Barbara Noblin

This Week at UCC Longmont

Gathering Music

Jessica Teal, piano

Going in Song *The One Who Began a Good Work* Sing! #200

Hymn and Bringing in the Light

Arise, Your Light Is Come

NCH # 164

Blessing

Postlude

Welcome

Rev. Amelia Richardson Dress

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

You are welcome here!

Opening Prayer

Rev. Whitney Janzen-Pankratz

Life-giving God, you refresh us from the inside out with your water of life and spirit. Open us to your presence within us and help us see how you are re-shaping our spirits each day. Amen.

A Contemporary Word

by *Liz Newman*

Hymn

Your Ways Are Not Our Own

NCH #170

Scripture and Reflection

Matthew 9:14-26

Gift of Music

Kingdom of God

Contemplative Prayer Practice

Pastoral Prayer

Community Prayer, adapted from the Prayer of Jesus

**God, our holy and ever present Light,
With your Light our spirits are fed with daily joy and purpose.
Forgive us when we contribute to the darkness.
Help us to call out those who also, contribute to the darkness.
Lead us always into the Light.
In the darkness of the world today, illumine our paths with
righteousness.
For yours is the Light of glory, power and honor, forever and ever.
Amen.**

Passing the Peace

Sunday, January 25

- **Worship Service and Children’s Church:** 10:15 am
- **Annual Winter Congregational Meeting:** 11:15, Sanctuary
- **Intergenerational Ice Skating:** 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm, at Roosevelt Park

Monday, January 26

- **Men’s Group:** 9:00 am- 12:00 pm, Fireside Room
- **Rev. Whitney Drop-in Office Hours:** 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Tuesday, January 27

- **Open Contemplative Practice :** 8:00 am, Fireside Room

Wednesday, January 28

- **Women’s Group:** 9:30, Room 10
- **Rev. Amelia Drop-In Office Hours :** 10:30–11:30 am
- **Bell Choir :** 5:30–6:30 pm
- **Voice Choir :** 7:15–8:30 pm

Church Office Hours

- **Monday-Thursday :** 9:00 am–12:00 pm

Prayers

Prayers for Robin Nosek as she recovers from hand surgery. Prayers for Rev. Anne Kear in a time of illness. Prayers for those navigating the fear of ICE presence in their community, and our sibling churches in Minnesota as they seek a faithful response. Prayers for Elizabeth Nosek as she recovers from back surgery. Prayer for Lina Zavala for healing as she starts a new chemotherapy. Prayers for all of those experiencing mental illness and their loved ones. Prayers for John Flanders for healing. 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.