

Christ Church United Methodist

February 25, 2024

(in - person) 9:00 am
(live-streamed & in - person) 11:15 am

2nd Sunday in Lent Order of Worship

WELCOME

Rev. Amy Chapman

PRELUDE

Appassionata
Carillon Ringers
Donna Vaughn conductor

Michael W. Joy

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

Leader: Let us worship God, in spirit and in truth

All: Let us worship God with all our heart, mind, body and soul.

Leader: For God has made a way for us in Christ Jesus through the desert of this world.

All: Let us worship God, who makes streams of mercy flow in wasteland places.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

When Morning Gilds the Skies

Hymn 185

When morning gilds the skies my heart awaking cries:
May Jesus Christ be praised! Alike at work and prayer,
to Jesus I repair: May Jesus Christ be praised!

The night becomes as day when from the heart we say:
May Jesus Christ be praised! The powers of darkness fear
when this sweet chant they hear: May Jesus Christ be praised!

Let all the earth around ring joyous with the sound:
May Jesus Christ be praised! In heaven's eternal bliss
the loveliest strain is this: May Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine:
May Jesus Christ be praised! Be this th' eternal song
through all the ages long: May Jesus Christ be praised!

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Pastor: Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true church,
apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare:

**All: We believe in God the Father; infinite in wisdom, power, and love,
whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will
is ever directed to his children's good.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man,
the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope,
and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives,
whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ,
and find strength and help in time of need.**

We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love

as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end
that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

This Is My Father's World

Hymn 144

This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet. This is my Father's world:
why should my heart be sad? The Lord is King; let the heavens ring!
God reigns; let the earth be glad!

BAPTISMAL COVENANT

(9:00) Elliott Lawson Cox (6/3/2023) son of Cary and Channing Cox

Pastor: Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include
Lawson now before you in your care?

People: With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according
to the example of Christ. We will surround him with a community of love and forgiveness, that he may
grow in his service to others. We will pray for him, that he may be a true disciple who walks in the way
that leads to life.

Pastor: Members of the household of faith, I commend to your love and care
Lawson, whom we this day recognize as a member of the family of God. Will you endeavor so to live that he
may grow in the knowledge and love of God, through our Savior Jesus Christ?

People: With God's help, we will so order our lives after the example of Christ
that Lawson, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the
faith and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

BAPTISMAL RESPONSE

Hymn 609

You have put on Christ, in Christ you have been baptized.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 23

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Sung Response: The Good Shepherd comes that we may have life and have it abundantly.

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

All: The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures,

Leader: leads me beside still waters, restores my life,

All: leads me in right paths for the sake of the Lord's name.

Leader: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;

All: for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
(Response)

Leader: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

All: you anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;

All: and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord as long as I live.

(Response)

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father 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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC

‡ 9:00

He's Got The Whole World In His Hands
Jessica Vanover, soloist

Margaret Bonds

◇ 11:15

Praise His Holy Name
Chancel Choir, One Voice, and Laudate

Keith Hampton

*DOXOLOGY

Hymn 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*SCRIPTURE

Mark 10:32-52

(9:00) Peter Raymond
(11:15) Gary Schooler

SERMON

What do you want?

Rev. Amy Chapman

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*CLOSING HYMN

Help Us Accept Each Other

Hymn 560

Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us;
teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace.
Be present, Lord, among us, and bring us to believe
we are ourselves accepted and meant to love and live.

Teach us, O Lord, your lessons, as in our daily life
we struggle to be human and search for hope and faith.

Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some,
to love them as we find them, or as they may become.

Let your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved
in living situations to do the truth in love;
to practice your acceptance, until we know by heart
the table of forgiveness and laughter's healing art.

Lord, for today's encounters with all who are in need,
who hunger for acceptance, for righteousness and bread,
we need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on;
renew us with your Spirit; Lord, free us, make us one!

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

Fugue from Preludium in G Minor
Matthew Vanover, organ

D. Buxtehude

‡ Matthew Vanover, piano

◇ Dr. Daniel Blosser, conductor; Matthew Vanover, piano

** *Announcements are located on the following pages*

THIS MORNING

The flowers have been placed on the altar today by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pfeiffer in memory of our parents and brothers.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Christian sympathy is extended to Chris and Melanie Park on the death of Melanie's father, Philip McGowan, who died February 19. Christian sympathy is also extended to grandchildren Harrison and Hudson.

Lent Resources

AT HOME:

Reflection Cards

These cards can be used on your own or with others anytime you want to spend time with God.

Daily Texts

Sign up at ccum.net/text.

Reflecting on Scripture Weekly Podcast

You will be guided through a part of the scripture that will inspire the Sunday sermon. Find each new episode on Fridays during Lent at ccum.net/Lent. You can also subscribe to the *Reflecting On Scripture* podcast wherever you get your podcasts.

Scripture, Prayer, Spiritual Practices

To explore each weekly sermon theme through scripture, prayer and spiritual practices, visit ccum.net/Lent, for a myriad of resources.

AT CHURCH

Unclutter Your Soul

Listen to the word of God with Rev. Leigh Ann Maynard on Wednesdays in the Chapel from 6:15 - 7 pm. You're welcome anytime, optional registration at ccum.net/Lent.

Prayer Labyrinth

Walk our new prayer labyrinth in the Prayer Room anytime the building is open beginning Friday, March 1.

Stations of the Cross

Follow the path Jesus did in his final days in this interactive experience in Fellowship Hall beginning March 13.

Sharing God's Love this Lent

Easter Lilies – Honor a loved one, past or present, by purchasing a \$15 lily that will decorate our church for Easter. Visit ccum.net/lilies2024 by Sunday, March 17 or contact katie@ccum.net with questions.

Support the cost of Dinner and Transportation for the **Maundy**

Thursday service at Fourth Avenue UMC where our Bridge Communities and friends from The Healing Place will be welcomed. Visit ccum.net/maundygift to donate.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Men's Breakfast | Saturday, March 2 | 8 am | Fellowship Hall

Men of all ages are invited to join us monthly for breakfast, fellowship and a guest speaker. This month we'll host **Elaine Banter, Dare to Care's Director of Volunteer Engagement**, who will be speaking on breaking the cycle of need in the community. Please note that March's breakfast will be the **first Saturday of the month**, rather than the second Saturday. Come and bring a friend!

SAM Outing | Wednesday, February 28 | 10 am - 1:30 pm

We'll take a chartered bus to **Dare to Care's Community Kitchen** in the Parkland neighborhood, to see their innovative chef in action, turning donated food into delicious meals. Then it's off to **lunch at The Table Café** in the Portland neighborhood. Register at ccum.net/SAM by February 21.

Choir Tour 2024 registration is now OPEN!

One Voice and the High School Handbells will be embarking on their **annual choir tour on June 5 - 9!** They will serve, sing and ring in Eastern Kentucky and West Virginia, sharing the love of Jesus through music, serving ministries and working hard to improve the community. **All high schoolers, as well as 8th graders are invited to attend!** You can register at ccum.net/youthmusic.

VBS 2024 | July 8-11 | **"Wake up, Samuel!"** #Godiscalling

Does God still speak? Yes! God knows our name and calls us to listen, know and follow! Meet the young boy, Samuel, this summer as he is called by God and helps us learn how to HEAR God. **Registration is NOW OPEN** so hop on over to ccum.net/vbs for more information about waking up to God's voice!
"Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening" 1 Samuel 3:9

Become a VBS Volunteer! We have opportunities for **adults and youth** (entering 6th - 12th grade in the fall) to help us make VBS a wonderful experience this summer! The nursery will be provided for infants and toddlers of our volunteers. Sign up at ccum.net/vbsvolunteer.

Lent is a season of preparation for Easter that lasts 40 days (not counting Sundays) that spans from Ash Wednesday until Easter each year. For Lent 2024, our **guiding scripture** is Exodus 33:14 – The Lord replied, "My presence will go with you and I will give you rest." **You are Called To a Lenten season of simplicity, unity and rest.** Invite the Holy Spirit to be present and guide you throughout Lent. To assist with this, **you may sign-up for daily texts or pick up a set of Reflection Cards** (available in the Gathering Hall). You can also **gather each Wednesday of Lent** in the Chapel from 6:15 - 7 pm for a time with Rev. Leigh Ann Maynard to *"Unclutter Your Soul"* as we listen to the word of God. You can sign up to join her at ccum.net/lent. The first Sunday of Lent is February 18.

The Pass it On Kids Sale is March 8 and 9!

The semi-annual Pass it On Kids Sale has **hundreds of items**, including clothing, toys, books, shoes, furniture, equipment, maternity clothes and more! 40% of all proceeds are donated to mission projects selected by women of Christ Church. Visit ccum.net/passiton to **sign up to volunteer or consign**. For questions and more information **text** Whitney Fontaine at (502) 797-7175.

Many **volunteers are especially needed** for the Saturday, March 9 breakdown shift from 12-2:30pm.

Please sign up online at ccum.net/passiton or by contacting Camille Burgard at camilleburgard@gmail.com or 502-500-9661. Volunteers and consignors receive an early access pass to shop the sale in advance on Thursday, March 6.

"You Are Beloved" Art Exhibit, sponsored by Sacred Worth | Exhibit dates: April 7 - 21 | Memorial Hall

CCUM Members and Friends are invited to submit **one piece of original art** they have created, including photographs, poetry, drawings and paintings that fits the exhibit theme of *"You Are Beloved."* Please visit ccum.net/art for submission dates, guidelines and more information.

Sanctuary Series Concert - Save the Date! | March 24 | 7 pm | Sanctuary

Join us in the evening on Palm Sunday for the **Chancel Choir and orchestra's performance of the Mozart Requiem**. Come and experience Holy Week through the beauty and poignancy of this incredible work. Admission is free, and an offering will be collected to support Breckenridge-Franklin Elementary School.

SAM Luncheon | Monday, March 11 | 11:30 am - 1 pm

Steve Wiser returns to tell us about **Legacy Houses of St. Matthews**, including the homes of Zachary Taylor, Dr. Chenoweth, Theodore Brown and others, followed by lunch from Gracious Plenty. Register [at ccum.net/SAM](http://ccum.net/SAM) by March 8.

Our **Called to Write Workshop** is **SOLD OUT**, with **150** people from **10** states coming to Christ Church on **March 15-16!** Some seats are still available to hear best-selling author **Silas House**, Kentucky's Poet Laureate, speak in **Fellowship Hall** on **Saturday, March 16** at **10 am**. Silas's presentation is **free**, but seating is **limited**. Register at ccum.net/silas!

Weekly Fitness Classes

Looking to improve your fitness while having fun? We have 2 types of classes every week in the Gym, open to all ages and fitness levels, and they're **free**!

- REFIT® combines movement and positive music for a cardio-based workout that is challenging, effective and fun for everybody. Classes are Mondays at 6:15 pm and Saturdays at 9 am.
- REV+FLOW® is a low impact, high intensity workout focused on building strength, balance, flexibility and mobility. Classes are Tuesdays at 6:15 pm.

College Aged/ Young Adult Contact Information

If you have a loved one who has taken their first steps into adulthood, whether that be attending college or trade school, entering the workforce, or taking time for themselves, **we want to stay in contact with them** as they transition into becoming adults. Please fill out the information form at ccum.net/youngadults so we can ensure those who are adapting to a new chapter in their lives **feel God's love** through Christ Church.

Men's Ministry: Just for Men | Wednesdays at 7:30 am via Zoom

Join Rev. Mike Porter, Director of Men's Ministries and Discipleship, as he shares scripture and discussion for men during these trying times. Drop-in to our weekly gathering. If interested, please email katie@ccum.net to be sent the Zoom link.