

Christ Church United Methodist

June 1, 2025

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

Ascension Sunday / Communion Sunday Order of Worship

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

PRELUDE

My Song Is Love Unknown
Paul Detterman, organ

Ralph Vaughan Williams

*INVOCATION

Rev. Melissa Head

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Hymn 384
tune: HYFRYDOL

Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down;
fix in us thy humble dwelling;
all thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation;
enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast!
Let us all in thee inherit;
let us find that second rest.
Take away our bent to sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee;
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

*INVITATION

Leader: Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live
in peace with one another.
Therefore let us confess our sin before God and one another.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

People: Merciful God,
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: Let us all pray silently and confess our sins to God.
(*All pray in silence*)

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Now hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners.
That proves God's love for us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
All: Glory to God. Amen.

OFFERING

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◇ 9:00

Shall We Gather at the River
Chancel Choir; Gordon Crawford, solo

David Lantz III

‡ 11:15

Jubilate Deo
One Voice

Peter Anglea

*DOXOLOGY

Hymn 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the sources of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*SCRIPTURE

Luke 24:44-53

*SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

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.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Deep River
Nick Peak, soloist

arr. Harry T. Burleigh

Joshua Fit the Battle
Benjamin Blosser, piano

arr. Wayne Bucknor

Be Thou My Vision
Andrew Blosser, clarinet

arr. Lloyd Larson

On Eagle's Wings
And God will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of God's hand.

Hymn 143

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING COMMUNION

*CLOSING HYMN

Go, Make of All Disciples
"Go make of all disciples," we hear the call, O Lord.
that comes from thee, our Father, in thy eternal Word.
Inspire our ways of learning through earnest fervent prayer,
and let our daily living reveal thee everywhere.

Hymn 571

"Go make of all disciples," baptizing in the name
Of Father, Son, and Spirit, from age to age the same.
We call each new disciple to follow thee, O Lord
redeeming soul and body by water and the Word.

"Go, make of all disciples," we at thy feet would stay
until each life's vocation Accents thy holy way.
We cultivate the nature God plants in every heart,

revealing in our witness the master teacher's art.

"Go make of all disciples," we welcome thy command.
"Lo, I am with you always." We take thy guiding hand.
The task looms large before us; we follow without fear;
in heaven and earth thy power shall bring God's Kingdom here.

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on Go Make of All Disciples
Paul Detterman , organ

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◇ Dr. Daniel Blosser, conductor; Daniel Light, piano

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This Morning

The flowers in the Chancel area are given in loving memory of Jeremiah Strange by his parents, Curtis and Melissa Snively, along with grandparents, Judy and Allen Snively.

Christian Sympathy is extended to the following church members:

Bonnie Duncan on the death of her husband, Tom Duncan, who died May 23.

Announcements

Next Sunday, June 8 is **Pentecost** Sunday, when we commemorate the arrival of the Holy Spirit! In celebration of this important event, we **invite everyone to wear red**.

This morning in the 11:15 service, we will be praying a blessing over One Voice, our high school choir, as they get ready to depart for their annual summer choir tour. They will be traveling to Chicago and northwest Indiana, singing concerts and serving with local agencies such as Restoration Ministries and By the Hand Ministries. They will be returning on June 8 to present their Homecoming Concert. Please be in prayer for these wonderful teens as they travel and serve, and come to the Homecoming Concert on June 8 to welcome them home!

May is Mental Health Awareness Month. We stand with individuals and communities across the nation striving to **break the stigma** surrounding mental health challenges. We are grateful for our **Pastoral Counselor, Jane Myers**, who has faithfully served our church for over 11 years. To schedule a time to meet with Jane, please call (502) 893-2201, ext. 230. You can also **support this vital ministry** by contributing to the Pastoral Counseling Fund at

www.ccum.org/pastoralcare.

Charge Conference | June 16 | 6:30 pm | Room 158

All Administrative Council members are asked to attend and all church members are invited to attend this Charge Conference to consider the Report from the Lay Leadership and Nominations Committee. Childcare is available upon request by June 8, to gina@ccum.net.

Mark your calendars for this year's summer **Twilight Market!**

Thursdays, June 12 & 26 | July 10 & 24 | 5:30 - 8:30pm

If you or someone you know would be a great **vendor**, please invite them! **Vendor registration** and more details available at ccum.net/market.

Christ Church School is Hiring

Christ Church School is looking for Lead/Assistant teachers, support teachers and substitutes, both full time and part time. We have openings for the 2025-2026 School year. If you or someone you know may be interested, please contact the school at (502) 882-9963 or visit ccum.net/school.

JOB OPENINGS

Children's Ministry is looking for **Sunday childcare workers** for Infants thru Pre-K. Must be 18 or older. Contact Gina Perry at 882-9685 or gina@ccum.net.

Part-time Digital Content Creator/Storyteller

Looking for someone with experience generating compelling and engaging content for various digital platforms, including websites, social media and digital publications. The ideal candidate must have strong writing and editing skills plus a keen eye for design. Visit ccum.net/jobs for more details and to apply.

MUSIC

Handbell Showcase | Today, June 1 | 12:30 pm | Fellowship Hall

Featuring Celebration, Carillon and Jubilate Ringers.

Please join us for a lite lunch as we feature music presented by our **Adult Handbell Ringers**. We hope you will come and enjoy this time of fellowship and entertainment!

One Voice Homecoming Concert | June 8 | 7 pm | Sanctuary

Join us for the Homecoming Concert as our **fabulous youth** return from having spent several days of singing, ringing and serving in Chicago and the surrounding area. Please **come and welcome them home**, hear their music and listen to their stories from the road. You won't want to miss it!

YOUTH/CHILDREN

VBS Volunteers | *Road Trip: On the Go with God!* | June 16 - 19

12 Adult **volunteers are still needed** for VBS this summer! The responsibilities of an adult VBS volunteer include maintaining Safe Sanctuary policy in each room, keeping track of the time for each activity and encouraging our youth as they lead the lessons. Come **be a part of all that makes VBS memorable** for approximately 250 children every year! Sign up online at ccum.net/vbs.

ARTS

Pastel Plein Air Art at Locust Grove

Saturday, June 28 | 10 am | Locust Grove | 561 Blankenbaker Ln

Join us for a morning immersed in color and creativity at our Pastel Plein Air Art Class. This **outdoor session** invites artists of all levels to explore **oil pastels** while capturing the light and atmosphere of the season. Please visit ccum.net/awe to register, cost is \$25.

SERVE

Pray. Donate. Volunteer. | KYUMC: Disaster Response Ministries

Help Needed for **Tornado Relief** in Somerset and London

In response to the recent tornadoes, we are calling on our community to come together and support those affected. Please visit ccum.net or kyumc.org for more information.

Children's Ministry Faith Formation Volunteers Needed

Summer is right around the corner, and we **urgently need more volunteers** to lead in our classrooms. Please prayerfully consider signing up to serve as a Children's Ministry **10 am Faith Formation leader** at least one hour a month. Without leaders, there is no Children's Ministry on Sunday mornings. Please visit ccum.net/cmlead for more information and to sign up!

Weekday Desk Volunteers are needed! Work as little or as much as you like! For information contact Gina Perry 882-9685 or gina@ccum.net.

Do You Need Help After the Flood?

If you have been impacted by the recent flooding, **we're here for you**. Please contact Mike Porter at mike@ccum.net or call 502-897-9290. We would love to see how so we can offer assistance and support.

WOMEN

Booked For Lunch is a monthly **book club for women** of all ages who believe novels provide a powerful avenue for thinking more deeply about God and the world. Bring a lunch, if you like, and join us **Thursday, June 12 in Room 156 at 12 pm**. Visit ccum.net/women for more information.