

# Christ Church United Methodist

June 14, 2026

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

## Order of Worship

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

PRELUDE

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*  
Matthew Vanover, organ

arr. Robert A. Hobby

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Mike Porter

Leader: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: **And that's not all: We throw open our doors to God and discover at the same moment that he has already thrown open his door to us. We find ourselves standing where we always hoped we might stand – out in the wide open spaces of God's grace and glory.**

Leader: Christ arrives right on time to make this happen. He did not, and does not, wait for us to get ready. Christ presented himself for this sacrificial death when we were far too weak and rebellious to do anything for ourselves.

People: God proved his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

*And Can It Be that I Should Gain*

Hymn 363  
st. 1, 3, 5

And can it be that I should gain  
an interest in the Savior's blood!  
Died he for me? who caused his pain!  
For me? who him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be  
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?  
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that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left his Father's throne above  
(so free, so infinite his grace!),  
emptied himself of all but love,  
and bled for Adam's helpless race.  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,  
for O my God, it found out me!  
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for O my God, it found out me!

No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in him, is mine;  
alive in him, my living Head,  
and clothed in righteousness divine,  
bold I approach th' eternal throne,  
and claim the crown, through Christ my own.  
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and claim the crown, through Christ my own.

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified dead and buried;  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Blessed Assurance*

Hymn 369

This is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long;  
this is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long.

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

MUSICAL RESPONSE

*Bless the Lord*

Taizé

Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's holy name.  
Bless the Lord my soul who leads me into life.

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC

◇ 9:00

*Lord, Here Am I*  
Chancel Choir

John Ness Beck

‡ 11:15

*Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove*  
Katherine Meisburg, Meg Williams, Mark Berlin, Nick Peak

John Purifoy

\*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.

\*SCRIPTURE

*Matthew 9:35–10:8*

(9:00) Gary Schooler  
(11:15) John Brunner

SERMON

*Plentiful Harvest*

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

CALL TO PRAYER

*Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus*

Hymn 349

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face,  
and the things of the earth will grow strangely dim  
in the light of his glory and grace.

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.

\*CLOSING HYMN

*Go, Make of All Disciples*

Hymn 571

"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.

"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 LANCASHIRE*  
Matthew Vanover, organ

◇ Mark Benz, conductor; Daniel Light, piano

‡ Daniel Light, piano

\*indicates standing as you are able

*Order of Worship Notations:*

Call to Worship: *Romans 5:1–8, selected, NRSV; The Message*

Musical Response: *Used by permission One License A 702340*

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## This Morning

The altar flowers this morning are given by Sharon Pfeiffer in loving memory of her husband, Robert.

## Christian Sympathy is extended to the following church members:

Sharon Burckhardt on the death of her husband, Bob Burckhardt, who died June 6.

Cheryl Carr and family on the death of her husband, Layton Brown Carr, who died June 7.

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This morning we will be praying a blessing over our Vacation Bible School volunteers as they welcome over 250 kids this coming week. Kids will plunge into a lifelong adventure of discovering the nature of God. They'll explore what it means to be rooted in relationship with God, their creator, a safe place in life's storms. Please be in prayer for the 130+ Adult and Youth volunteers as they guide these children through Rainforest Falls!

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## Announcements

### EMAIL SCAM ALERT!

The scammers are at it again! Please know that staff will NEVER email you asking for gift cards or money, access to database information, or try to send a shared document. If you have a question about an email you receive actually being from Christ Church staff, please call the church office at (502) 897-6421 to verify.

**One Voice Homecoming Concert** | Tonight, June 14 | 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 the Asheville, NC area and also in Frankfort, KY. Please **come and welcome them home**, hear their music and listen to their stories from the road. You won't want to miss it!

**Wedding Committee Training** | Today, June 14 | 12:15 pm | Parlor

Love helping make someone's special day truly special? Consider joining Christ Church Weddings Committee and **support Christ Church members** on their wedding ceremony journey. Learn how to create a calm, welcoming and joyful wedding day experience and **use YOUR GIFTS** of hospitality, organization, communication and service.

**Donuts with Dad** | June 21 | Anytime between 9:30 - 11:00 am | Fellowship Hall Join us on Father's Day as we celebrate and **give thanks** for all who are **fathers** or a **fatherly presence** in our lives. Come enjoy a sweet time of connection and fellowship as we honor the many ways love and care are shared among us.

**Called to Write** | Thursday, June 18 | 6:30-8pm | Room 001

Whether you write fiction or nonfiction, poetry or prose, Called to Write is designed to inspire you! Our next gathering is our **first of two Summer Write-Ins**. Enjoy 90 minutes of peace and quiet to just WRITE, in the air-conditioned company of our warm and welcoming group. If you've not attended before, please register at [ccum.net/write](http://ccum.net/write).

**Sacred Worth**, a ministry of LGBTQIA members and allies, **will meet on Sunday, June 21**, in Room 156 at 12:30 pm (please note the room change). Feel free to bring your lunch. Everyone is welcome!

**Caregiver Support Group** | Monday, June 22 | 3 - 4:30 pm | Room 253

The Caregiver Support group is a **lay-led gathering** for anyone who **cares for a loved one with unique needs...** parent, spouse, adult child, sibling, extended family member or friend. The group offers opportunities to learn about the aging process, stress management, problem solving, self-care, setting boundaries, safety, long-term care, and more.

**PLEASE NOTE:** In July, the group will go back to meeting on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month.

**Blood Drive** | Tuesday, June 23 | 1 pm | Fellowship Hall

Roll up your sleeve and join us for the next **Red Cross Blood Drive!** Please schedule an appointment by contacting Kim Brice at (502) 727-2581. **Walk-ins are also welcome.**

**Chair Yoga** | Tuesdays, June 23 - July 28 | 10 am | Fellowship Hall

Back by popular demand, Christ Church again welcomes **Steph Horne** to lead a summer chair yoga series. The **six-week class** will offer **gentle, seated movement** and breath work to increase mobility, reduce stress and nourish your body and spirit. Wear comfortable clothing and join us – **no experience necessary!**

**The Pastor's Pick - June** | Tuesday, June 30 | 10 - 11:30 am | Room 250

Join Pastor Eric for the next installment of The Pastor's Pick! June's book, *The Anatomy of Peace: Resolving the Heart of Conflict* by the Arbing Institute, is a **bestseller** that **explores the root cause of conflict**, which it identifies as a mindset of self-deception, or being "in the box". It teaches readers how to **recognize their own contribution** to conflict, even when they feel like the victim, and provides practical tools to shift from an "inward" to an "outward" mindset to **achieve lasting resolution** in personal, professional and global situations. Visit [ccum.net/classes](http://ccum.net/classes) to register and to order the book.