

# **Christ Church United Methodist**

March 10, 2024

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

## **4th Sunday in Lent Order of Worship**

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

PRELUDE

*Sweet Hour of Prayer*  
Jubilate Ringers

Jason W. Krug

BAPTISMAL COVENANT

(9:00) Joanna Morgan Bodart (6/8/2010) daughter of Anna and Darren Bodart

(11:15) Graham Edmond Henry Forinash (8/15/2020) and  
Finnegan Albert James Forinash (8/15/2020) sons of Cara and Chad Forinash

Pastor: Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

**People: We do.**

Pastor: Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include  
(9:00) Joanna (11:15) Graham and Finnegan 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 her/them with a community of love and forgiveness, that she/they may grow in her/their service to others. We will pray for her/them, that she/they may be (a) true disciple(s) who walk(s) in the way that leads to life.**

Pastor: Members of the household of faith, I commend to your love and care  
(9:00) Joanna (11:15) Graham and Finnegan, whom we this day recognize as (a) member(s) of the family of God. Will you endeavor so to live that she/they 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 (9:00) Joanna (11:15) Graham and Finnegan, 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!**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

*Rejoice, the Lord is King*

Hymn 715

**Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore;  
mortals, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.**

**Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;  
when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above.**

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven;  
the keys of earth and hell are to our Jesus given.

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

Rejoice in glorious hope! Jesus the Judge shall come,  
and take his servants up to their eternal home.  
We soon shall hear th'archangel's voice; the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!

\*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

*Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*

Hymn 160

Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore,  
the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God forevermore.  
Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

ANTHEM

*Wade in the Water*  
The Aeolians of Oakwood University

Jeremy Jordan & Sarah Ruff

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

*How Great Thou Art*  
The Aeolians of Oakwood University

Dan Forrest

\*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

*Philippians 4:4-9*

(9:00) Leah Bennett  
(11:15) Craig Reynolds

SERMON

*Called to Peace*

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

CHORAL INVITATION

*Take it to the Lord in Prayer*  
The Aeolians of Oakwood University

Nolan Williams

\*CLOSING HYMN

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Hymn 140; st. 1, 3

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

*Finale*  
Matthew Vanover, organ

Andrew Carter

*\*\*Announcements are located on the following pages*

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## THIS MORNING

The flowers have been placed on the altar today in loving memory of our parents, John William and Milidean Reid Sawyer, and William Lewis Vanderwerp by Mark & Jill Vanderwerp.

Joining us for both worship services this morning is the **choir from Oakwood University, the Aeolians**. Since its inception, the Aeolians have traveled widely, touching the hearts of both young and old with their inspirational singing. We are fortunate to be blessed by this extraordinarily talented award-winning group.

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## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE | MARCH 24 - 31

### Palm Sunday Services

9 and 11:15\* am | Sanctuary

### Maundy Thursday Services

7\* pm | Sanctuary

Offsite Dinner (5:30) and Service (6:30) | Fourth Avenue UMC  
with our Bridge Communities and Friends from the Healing Place

### Good Friday Services

12 and 7\* pm | Sanctuary

### Easter Services

7 am | Zachary Taylor Cemetery

8, 9:30 and 11:15\* am | Sanctuary

*\*livestreamed service*

## 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](https://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](https://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](https://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 Wednesday in the Sanctuary from 6:15 - 7 pm. Please note that this is the final gathering and has changed locations.

#### Prayer Labyrinth

Walk our new prayer labyrinth in the Prayer Room anytime the building is open.

#### 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](https://ccum.net/lilies2024) by **Sunday, March 17** or contact [katie@ccum.net](mailto: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](https://ccum.net/maundygift) to donate.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sanctuary Series Concert** | Sunday, 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.

**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. We meet the **2nd Thursday of every month in Room 156 at 12 pm**—bring a lunch, if you wish, and join us! The **next meeting is Thursday, March 14**, discussing *Hello Beautiful* by Ann Napolitano. Our list of Spring 2024 books can be found at [ccum.net/women](https://ccum.net/women).

### **Scouts BSA Troop 317 - 2024 Spring Fundraiser**

Spring is just around the corner and it is time for our annual **Mulch Sale!** Black Platinum, Natural Hardwood Mulch, **\$7 per bag - while supplies last**. Free delivery on 20 or more bags of mulch! All orders will be delivered on Saturday, March 23. Click [here](#) to place an order or for more information please contact Jackie Phillips at [bsatroop317ky@gmail.com](mailto:bsatroop317ky@gmail.com).

**Guest Speaker, Silas House** | Saturday, March 16 | 10 am | Fellowship Hall

Acclaimed novelist Silas House—Kentucky's Poet Laureate and New York Times best-selling author of *Clay's Quilt*, *A Parchment of Leaves*, *Southernmost*, and his latest, *Lark Ascending*—will speak in Fellowship Hall! Silas's **presentation is free**, but seating is limited. Please **register at [ccum.net/silas](https://ccum.net/silas)**, then plan to **arrive by 9:50 am**. Carmichael's Books will be on hand to offer some of Silas's titles, which he will be happy to autograph for you.

**Sacred Worth: A Ministry of LGBTQIA friends and allies**, will **meet Sunday**, February 18, in room 001 from 12:30 - 1:30 pm. We hope that you will join us and feel free to bring your lunch. **Everyone is welcome!**

### **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](https://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](https://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](https://ccum.net/vbsvolunteer).

**"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](https://ccum.net/art) for submission dates, guidelines and more information.

### **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](http://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](mailto:katie@ccum.net) to be sent the Zoom link.