

Christ Church United Methodist

May 12, 2024

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

Ascension Sunday/Mother's Day Order of Worship

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

PRELUDE

Passacaille
Carillon Ringers
Donna Vaughn, conductor

G. F. Handel
arr. Fred Gramann

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Leigh Ann Maynard

Leader: Oh, God, you reign over all the universe.

All: Praise to you for your wondrous love!

Leader: Christ, you have ascended and are enthroned over all things.

All: Glory be to you, who are above all powers and authorities.

Leader: We praise you. Reign over us, and make us your holy people.

All: Alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, and transform us by your grace. Alleluia!

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

Hymn 312

Hail the day that sees him rise, Alleluia! To his throne above the skies, Alleluia!
Christ, awhile to mortals given, Alleluia! Reascends his native heaven, Alleluia!

There the glorious triumph waits, Alleluia! Lift your heads, eternal gates, Alleluia!
Christ hath conquered death and sin, Alleluia! Take the King of glory in, Alleluia!

See! the heaven its Lord receives, Alleluia! Yet he loves the earth he leaves, Alleluia!
Though returning to his throne, Alleluia! Still he calls the world his own, Alleluia!

See! he lifts his hands above, Alleluia! See! he shows the prints of love, Alleluia!
Hark! his gracious lips bestow, Alleluia! Blessings on his church below, Alleluia!

*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 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* Hymn 154
All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.
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PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO PRAYER *We Shall Walk Through the Valley in Peace* William Appling
Tenor Leaven

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.

MOMENT OF MINISTRY Craig Reynolds

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC *Gentle Shepherd* Bill and Gloria Gaither
Tenor Leaven
Sarah Aten, translation and narration

*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 Rev. Amy Chapman

*SCRIPTURE *John 17:6-19* (9:00) Megan Janesky
(11:15) Annie Brock

SERMON *All Call* Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*CLOSING HYMN

Fairest Lord Jesus

Hymn 189

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,
O thou of God and man the Son, thee will I cherish,
thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,
and all the twinkling starry host: Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations!
Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor,
praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine.

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

A Mighty Fortress is Our God
Matthew Vanover, organ

Michael Praetorius

***Announcements are located on the following pages*

This Morning

The flowers in the chancel area are given by John and Sally Taylor in loving memory of their mothers.

This morning's prelude, *Passacaille*, is given in honor of Joyce Young by her daughter, Melissa Young.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SERVE

Today is “**Have a Heart for Seniors**” Sunday. 100% of your tax-deductible donation will be used by the **Charitable Care ministry of Wesley Manor**. Thank you for prayerfully considering your generous donation. You will find special envelopes in the pew racks in which you can place your donation. Please make your checks payable to Christ Church United Methodist, with “*Wesley Manor*” on the memo line. You can also donate at ccum.net/give and select “*Have a Heart for Seniors - Wesley Manor*” from the dropdown menu.

ADULTS

Hymn Stories on Monday | May 13 | 11:30 am | Fellowship Hall

Our own **Music Man, Dr. Daniel Blosser**, will share **Hymn Stories** in word and song, focusing on one of our tradition's most prolific and remarkable hymnists, Charles Wesley. **Everyone is invited to this FREE event!**

SAM Outing | Wednesday, June 19 | 9:30 am - 4 pm | \$59 due May 19 by 12 pm

Since our May SAM outing sold out, join us for **Shaker Village Too in June!** After our bus ride through the countryside, we'll enjoy lunch at The Trustee's Table, a guided walking tour, a program on Shaker Music, and time to visit the gift shop or take a stroll. **A perfect June day!** Register at ccum.net/SAM.

Walk on Wednesday with SAM | 12 pm | 30 minutes | Meet under Portico

Take a step toward **fitness that's free and fun!** Put on your walking shoes and join us for a 30-minute **walk around our CCUM neighborhood**. If it's raining, we'll walk inside the church building. No registration required, just a simple release form to sign. We love your pets, but please leave them at home, since leashes can be a safety hazard. Questions, contact liz@ccum.net.

YOUTH/CHILDREN

VBS 2024: "Wake up, Samuel!" #Godiscalling | July 8 - 11 | 9 am - 12 pm

Meet the young boy, Samuel, this summer as he is called by God and helps us learn how to HEAR God. Registration is at capacity for PreK's and K's - but there are **still spots left for 1st - 5th graders, as well as for volunteers**. Sign up at ccum.net/vbs.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Christ Church United Methodist is **seeking a Music Associate for Handbells** to help facilitate the church's mission of *becoming living proof of God's love, one person at a time*. This position will conduct 2-3 handbell ensembles and **provide leadership and visioning** to the handbell ministry of Christ Church, equipping ringers to contribute to the worship experience and empowering them to become lay ministers in the community. Visit ccum.net/jobs for more information and to apply.

NOTEWORTHY

Charge Conference | June 17 | 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 10, to gina@ccum.net.

This summer, our very own **Twilight Market** will reduce loneliness, build community and support small businesses here in the 40207! **Volunteers are needed** to welcome artists, farmers, chefs of all stripes, and residents of the community. **For more information and to sign up**, please visit ccum.net/twilight or stop by the table in the Gathering Hall!

College-Age Young Adults | Sunday, May 19 | 12:30 pm | Youth Center

We are hosting a gathering for college-age young adults to **relax, catch up with friends and kick off the summer!** Whether you're home from college or trade school, taking a gap year, or have already joined the work force, please join us! For more information, please contact Logan Ashkettle at logan@ccum.net.

College Graduate Recognition | Sunday, June 2

Christ Church would like to recognize our recent college graduates in the bulletin on Sunday, June 2. Please provide your information at ccum.net/collegegrad. Deadline is May 26.