

# Christ Church United Methodist

March 2, 2025

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

## Transfiguration Sunday Order of Worship

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

PRELUDE

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*  
Mark Benz, Deanna Catlett,  
Daniel Light and Matthew Vanover, piano

arr. Hamilton/Pinkston

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Melissa Head

Leader: Disciples of Jesus the Christ, today your Savior calls you to come up the mountain and pray. Will you come?

**All: We will go wherever Jesus leads us.**

Leader: Will you follow when Christ's glory overwhelms your senses, and you sit astounded at God's greatness?

**All: We will go wherever Jesus leads us.**

Leader: Will you follow when Jesus calls you to return to the valley where people are hurting and in need of good news?

**All: We will go wherever Jesus leads us.**

Leader: Come, let us worship God, whose glory shines on the mountaintop and in the eyes of our neighbors.

**All: Come, let us worship God, whose glory shines all around us. Amen.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

Hymn 384

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.

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in the one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Hymn 103

Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light;  
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
all laud we would render: O help us to see  
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

MUSICAL RESPONSE

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Hymn 103

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC

◇ 9:00

*Psalm 139*  
One Voice

Allen Pote

‡ 11:15

*Alleluia*  
Chancel Choir

Ralph Manuel

\*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

*Luke 9:28-36*

(9:00) Ashley Benz  
(11:15) Anna Walton

SERMON

*A Glimpse of Glory*

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

CALL TO PRAYER

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

Hymn 189

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

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

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*  
I want to walk as a child of the light.  
I want to follow Jesus.  
God set the stars to give light to the world.  
The star of my life is Jesus.

Hymn 206

Refrain: In him there is no darkness at all.  
The night and the day are both alike.  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.  
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God.  
I want to look at Jesus.  
Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path,  
and show me the way to the Father. (Refrain)

I'm looking for the coming of Christ.  
I want to be with Jesus.  
When we have run with patience the race,  
we shall know the joy of Jesus. (Refrain)

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

*Final on CRUCIFER*  
Matthew Vanover, organ

Andrew Carter

\*indicates standing as you are able

◇ Dr. Daniel Blosser, conductor; Kathy Kicklighter, piano

‡ Mark Benz, conductor

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

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## **This Morning**

The altar flowers this morning are given in loving memory of our parents, Miriam and Bill Stinnett and Margaret and Emrole Spurgeon by Myra and Bill Stinnett.

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

Priscilla Garland on the death of her husband, Jim Tennill, who died February 21. Christian sympathy is also extended to children, Terri (Mark) Scharff, Jimmy (Kelley) Tennill and Noah Huffman, and grandchildren, Parker and Alex.

Charlotte Young on the death of her brother, Karl Schmidt, who died February 20.

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## **Announcements**

### **FELLOWSHIP**

**Ash Wednesday** | Wednesday, March 5

7:30 – 9:30 am | Imposition of Ashes | Chapel

12 - 1 pm | Imposition of Ashes | Sanctuary

6:30 pm | Evening Service | Sanctuary and Livestream

**Sanctuary Series** presents **Piano Tapestry** | Today, March 2 at 7 pm | Sanctuary Come experience a **unique program** of varied genres written for four, six or eight hands, featuring Mark Benz, Deanna Catlett, Daniel Light, Matthew Vanover, students from the Daniel Light Piano Studio and other special friends. Pieces **performed on two grand pianos facing each other** will offer a rare perspective on the communication needed for such an ensemble. A freewill offering will benefit Prodigal Ministries.

Please **join us** for our **New Member Gathering** next **Sunday, March 9** at 10:15 am in the Café on the 2nd floor. If you would like to learn more about our membership process at Christ Church, please plan to join Pastor Amy. Coffee and donuts will be provided.

**3rd Annual Art Exhibit** | Monday, April 7 - Saturday, April 26 | Memorial Hall

**Call for Art!** Sacred Worth and A.W.E. ministries are excited to present this year's art exhibit, *We are all the work of God's hand* (Isaiah 64:8). Congregation members and friends are invited to **submit one piece of original art** to be on display. Submission details and dates can be found at [ccum.net/awe](http://ccum.net/awe) and any questions can be directed to Kristie Goodwin at [sacred.worth.christchurch@gmail.com](mailto:sacred.worth.christchurch@gmail.com).

**Rekindle Bible Study** | Tuesdays, March 4 - April 15, 2025 | 10 am | Chapel

Join **Liz Curtis Higgs** for a **7-week** Bible study of **2 Timothy**, a book filled with timeless wisdom and profound truth. "*I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you...*" 2 Timothy 1:6. Register for this free study at [ccum.net/rekindle](http://ccum.net/rekindle).

**Called to Learning and Action Listening Session: Displaced Kentucky Families and the Foster Care System**

Wednesday Evenings, March 12 and 19 | 6 pm | Room 250

This informational gathering explores the foster care system in KY through the insights of **experienced foster parents** and **professionals**. Come learn about the challenges, the rewards and discover opportunities for community service, all while embodying the mission of James 1:27, to support children in need. Register at [ccum.net/foster](http://ccum.net/foster).

## YOUTH/CHILDREN

**Save the Dates - March 14 and 15!** The semi-annual **Pass It On Kids Sale** is coming soon with 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 the PIOKS Committee. To sign up to **volunteer or consign**, visit [ccum.net/passiton](http://ccum.net/passiton). For questions and more information please text Whitney Fontaine: (502) 797-7175.

**VBS 2025 Registration is Now Open!** *Road Trip: On the Go with God!*

**June 16 - 19**, VBS Kids will experience twists, turns and excitement as they face new challenges and find strength in God's presence on this unforgettable trip! For more information and to register, visit [ccum.net/vbs](http://ccum.net/vbs).

**Coffeehouse Event** | Friday, March 7 | 6:30 - 8 pm | Youth Center

All ages are invited to cozy up with us for a fun evening, featuring **live music** from one of CCUM's own high schoolers, Bethany Mae Chapman! Come and bring a friend.

## MEN

**Men's Breakfast** | Saturday, March 8 | 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 welcome CCUM member, **Ogedi Omenyinma**, whose message will be God's Economy in Nigeria. Come and bring a friend!

## WOMEN

**Women's Bible Study** | beginning Thursday, March 6 | 5:30-7 pm | Room 260 Want to know Jesus better? Join us for *Luke in the Land*, a **7-session study** authored by Kristi McLelland and **led by Tish Muldoon**, features teaching videos from Israeli locations such as Bethlehem, the Sea of Galilee and Jerusalem. You will feel like you've traveled to the Holy Land! Register at [ccum.net/women](http://ccum.net/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, March 13 in Room 156 at 12 pm** to discuss *After Annie* by Anna Quindlen.

## SENIOR ADULTS

**SAM Luncheon** | Monday, March 10 at 11:30 am | Fellowship Hall

Whether they reach out to us by phone, text, email or on social media, con artists are targeting seniors more than ever.

**Protecting Yourself from Fraud** is a timely and much-needed message from **AARP Kentucky**, teaching us the psychology

behind ID theft, fraud, and scams, and offering wise counsel on how we can avoid being among the 141 million Americans who've been victims of fraud. After the program we'll enjoy a tasty **boxed lunch** from Gracious Plenty. Register for lunch at [ccum.net/sam](http://ccum.net/sam) by 12 pm on March 7.

## SERVE

### Disaster Relief

The Kentucky Annual Conference is **providing support** to fellow Kentuckians impacted by the recent flooding. To learn more, including ways you can help, visit Christ Church's homepage: [ccum.net](http://ccum.net).

### Snacks in Sacks

Full and overflowing! During our Six Stone Jars sermon series, we will be partnering with our Confirmation students to **fill up bags of food** for the Snacks in Sacks mission. You can learn more about the organization and find a list of items at [snacksinsacks.org](http://snacksinsacks.org) and [ccum.net/outreach](http://ccum.net/outreach). No need to schedule or organize, just **fill and seal** and bring to the collection bin in Gathering Hall through March 21. Let's **fill it to the brim!**

### Mission Connect

If you're **looking to be connected in service** to an organization or ministry in Louisville or beyond, new resources are available. Email [missions@ccum.net](mailto:missions@ccum.net) or call 502.893.2201, ext. 330 and leave a message.