

# Christ Church United Methodist

May 24, 2026

(live-streamed & in-person) 10 am

## Pentecost Sunday/Aldersgate Day Order of Worship

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

PRELUDE

*Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*  
Matthew Vanover, organ

arr. Joe Utterback

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Leigh Ann Maynard

Leader: God's various gifts are handed out everywhere; but they all originate in God's Spirit. God's various ministries are carried out everywhere; but they all originate in God's Spirit.

**People: Each person is given something to do that shows who God is: Everyone gets in on it, everyone benefits. All kinds of things have a common origin and are handed out by the Spirit, and to all kinds of people!**

Leader: You can see how this kind of thing works by looking no further than your own body. Your body has many parts—limbs, organs, cells—but no matter how many parts you can name, you are still one body. It is exactly the same with Christ.

**People: By means of his one Spirit, we all said good-bye to our partial and piecemeal lives. We each used to independently call our own shots, but then we entered into a large and integrated life in which Christ has the final say in everything. (This is what we proclaimed in word and action when we were baptized.)**

Leader: The old labels we once used to identify ourselves—labels like Jew or Greek, slave or free—are no longer useful. We need something larger, more comprehensive.

**People: Each of us is now a part of his resurrection body, refreshed and sustained at one fountain—his Spirit—where we all come to drink.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

*God of Grace and God of Glory*  
God of grace and God of glory,  
on the people pour thy power;  
crown thine ancient church's story,  
bring her bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

Hymn 577

Lo! the hosts of evil round us  
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!  
Fears and doubts too long have bound us;  
free our hearts to work and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the living of these days,  
for the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness,  
bend our pride to thy control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
rich in things and poor in soul.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation  
to the evils we deplore;  
let the search for thy salvation  
be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
serving thee whom we adore,  
serving thee whom we adore.

**\*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**

*O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

Hymn 57

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

**BAPTISMAL COVENANT**

Jack Powell Moneymaker (8/23/2020) son of Cory and Brittany Moneymaker

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  
Jack 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 him with a community of love and forgiveness, that he may  
grow in his service to others. We will pray for him, that he may be a true disciple who walks in the way  
that leads to life.**

Pastor: Members of the household of faith, I commend to your love and care

Jack, whom we this day recognize as a member of the family of God. Will you endeavor so to live that he 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 Jack, 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!

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

MUSICAL RESPONSE

*O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

Hymn 57

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,  
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

LIVING PROOF EXPERIENCED

Jenny Fishback

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC

*The Church's One Foundation*

Dan Forrest

Chancel Choir

Dr. Daniel Blosser, conductor; Matthew Vanover, organ

\*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

*Acts 2:1-21*

SERMON

*A Holy Flame*

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

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

*Spirit Song*

Hymn 347

O let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love.  
Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.  
O let him have those things that hold you,  
and his Spirit like a dove  
will descend upon your life and make you whole.

Refrain: Jesus, O Jesus, Come and fill Your lambs.  
Jesus, O Jesus, Come and fill Your lambs.

O come and sing this song with gladness  
as your hearts are filled with joy.  
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name.  
O give him all your tears and sadness;  
give him all your years of pain,  
and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name. (Refrain)

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

*Tocatta in F Major, BWV 157*  
Matthew Vanover, organ

J.S. Bach

\*indicates standing as you are able

*Order of Worship Notations:*

Call to Worship: *1 Corinthians 12: 4 – 13, Selected, The Message*

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## **This Morning**

The flowers in the altar area are given by Fred McWhorter in loving memory of Debbie Shea McWhorter.

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

Amy and Jim Carroll on the death of Amy's father, Nelson Knight, who died May 13. Christian sympathy is also extended to grandchildren, Nelson and Delaney.

Barbara Wright on the death of her daughter, Julie Ann Wright Jones, who died May 6. Christian sympathy is also extended to brother, Hank (Sharon).

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## Living Proof Showcase | Today, Pentecost Sunday, May 24

Come celebrate the many ways that Christ Church lives out its faith! Today, **Pentecost Sunday**, we gather for **one combined worship service at 10 am**, followed by a vibrant, interactive **showcase of our ministries in Fellowship Hall**. From building projects and creative arts to care teams and outreach efforts, you'll see how lives are being touched every day—and how you can jump in and be part of it.

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## Announcements

### Charge Conference | June 8 | 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 May 31, to [childcare@ccum.net](mailto:childcare@ccum.net).

### SAM Pop Up Lunch | Thursday, June 4 | 11:30 am

Join us for a time of fellowship at our next Pop-Up Lunch at **BJ's Brewhouse**. Let's come together to connect, share a meal and enjoy good company. Spaces are limited, so don't forget to sign up at [ccum.net/SAM](http://ccum.net/SAM).

**Walk on Wednesday with SAM!** Grab your walking shoes and join your Senior Adult Ministry friends, as we **explore local walking paths in May**. We'll meet each Wednesday just before **10 am** at the designated point, then walk as long as we want. Set your own pace and pause when you like. You'll find both the company and the conversation upbeat. Register at [ccum.net/sam](http://ccum.net/sam).

### Grief Support Group | Wednesdays, through May 27 | 10 - 11:30 am | Room 159

Experiencing the death of a loved one is something **you do not have to walk through alone**. As you are grieving, transitioning, and coping, we invite you to attend our **weekly Grief Support Group**, facilitated by Jane Myers, Pastoral Counselor and Rev. Amy Chapman, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care. Register at [ccum.net/care](http://ccum.net/care).

### The Pastor's Pick - May | Tuesday, May 26 | 10 - 11:30 am | Room 250

Join Pastor Eric for this month's installment of The Pastor's Pick! May's book, *Mattering: The Secret to a Life of Deep Connection and Purpose* by Jennifer Breheny Wallace explores the **fundamental human need to feel valued** and to add value. Visit [ccum.net/classes](http://ccum.net/classes) to register and to order the book.

Attention **College Graduates!** If you are graduating from college this year and would like to be recognized by the church, please register online at [ccum.net/collegegrad](http://ccum.net/collegegrad), by Tuesday, May 26. We would **love to celebrate** this important milestone with you!

CCUM is hosting the **Annual Conference** of the Kentucky Conference of the United Methodist Church from **May 31 - June 3**. We are expecting 500+ attendees this year, and **we need a LOT of volunteers** to make this a success! If you have any availability during this time frame, please contact Mark Coile at [mark@ccum.net](mailto:mark@ccum.net).

### Kentucky Shakespeare | Friday, June 5 | Central Park (1340 South Fourth Street)

CCUM is kicking off summer with a special Shakespeare outing! Join us for Kentucky Shakespeare's **free production** of *As You Like It*. The show begins at **8 pm**, but we'll enjoy a **special behind-the-scenes tour** with Producing Artistic Director Matt Wallace at **6:45 pm**. For more information, visit [ccum.net/shakespeare](http://ccum.net/shakespeare).

### Vacation Bible School - Rainforest Falls | June 15 - 18

**Volunteer:** We have opportunities for adults and youth to help us make VBS a wonderful experience this summer!

**Snackivity Collection:** Help us collect the items we need for this fun VBS activity that offers a healthy snack and a great time for kids and volunteers!

Visit [ccum.net/vbs](http://ccum.net/vbs) for more information on snack items needed and to volunteer!