Christ Church United Methodist

November 10, 2024

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

Order of Worship

WELCOME Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

PRELUDE How Great Thou Art Kevin McChesney

Middle School Handbells Dr. Daniel Blosser, conductor

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Melissa Head

Leader: Come, let us gather with hearts full of thanksgiving.

People: We come, thankful for God's abundant grace and blessings poured into our lives. Leader: We are called to generosity and to be the hands and feet of Christ, serving with joy.

People: We come, ready to give generously, just as God is generous with us.

Leader: Let us open our hearts and lives in this time of worship, that we may be filled with God's abundance.

All: We come to worship, to give thanks, and to live generously as Christ has taught us.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Rejoice, the Lord Is King
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!

Hymn 715

*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

Amazing Grace

Hymn 378

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO PRAYER

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.

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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.

CALLED TO GENEROSITY

(9:00) Glenda Thacker (11:15) Matthew Walton

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC

 \Diamond 9:00 The Gift of Love Hal Hopson

Laudate

[‡]11:15 For All That Is Taylor Davis

Chancel Choir Adeline Elliott, violin

*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

*SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 9:6-8 (9:00) Beck Meyer

(11:15) Carol Bennett

SERMON Called To Generosity Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

*CLOSING HYMN Take My Life, and Let It Be Hymn 399

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.

Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love.

Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee.
Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.

Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store.

Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE Old Hundredth arr. Piet Post
Matthew Vanover, organ

♦ Ben Williams, conductor; Mark Benz, piano

This Morning

The flowers in the sanctuary are given in loving memory of Nancy and Jim Broadwater, Catherine House Long, Catherine Bell Scruggs House and Sarah Broadwater, our parents and grandparents and sister by Jane, Craig, McLean and Ian Long.

Our Church Family

Christian sympathy is extended to Mary Miller on the death of her husband, Don Miller, who died October 27. Christian sympathy is also extended to children, Kevin (Mary) and Steve.

Christian sympathy is extended to Linda Gunter on the death of her husband, Bob Gunter, who died November 6. Christian sympathy is also extended to children, Laura Edwards and Paul Gunter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mark Your Calendars!

Next **Sunday, November 17** there will be **one worship service at 11:15 am** (the Sunday school hour is unchanged). We'll be blessed by a special multigenerational choir including our Chancel, youth and children's choirs!

In Friday's eNews, Pastor Eric **announced** that Liz Curtis Higgs plans to retire on December 31. To hear Liz's announcement, visit <u>ccum.net/Liz</u>.

The Staff Parish Relations Committee has granted a renewal leave for Dr. Dan Blosser beginning January 2 through February 27. Renewal leave provides energizing renewal for clergy, staff and the congregation. It is an important part of maintaining focus, commitment, passion and skill for ministry. Dan has prepared the staff and his team well for his absence. We invite you to extend prayers for Dan during this time of renewal.

College-age? Young adult? Wondering where you fit? Visit **Dwell!**

Led by Sarah Patton and Jennifer Goselin, this **brand new gathering** is for **young adults** age 18 - 35 (single or married, no children) in Room 150b on **Sunday mornings from 10 - 10: 45 am**. Invite a friend and come to Dwell.

Parking Lot Caution: From time to time, cars are broken into in the church parking lot, even during well-attended events, during daylight, and when the car is parked for a short amount of time. External cameras are mounted around the building, but not all areas of the parking lot are visible. Please be sure not to leave any valuable items visible in your car when parking.

[‡] Dr. Daniel Blosser, conductor; Daniel Light, piano

^{**}Announcements are located on the following pages

NEW NUMBER! REACH ON-CALL PASTORS | (502) 893-7774

Call or text (502) 893-7774 to connect with a pastor in case of a pastoral emergency (like at emergency room, admitted to the hospital, scheduled for surgery, actively dying, a recent death, suicidal, active family conflict, a move from or to a rehab or nursing facility or some other crisis). A pastor will answer, or you can leave a message and a pastor will return your call shortly. Out of respect, please do not use any individual staff cell phone numbers, no matter how well you know them, so they can truly be off when they are off. All of our pastors care greatly about the congregation members and want to offer care when you need us. Please help us by adding this number to your phone contacts!

This Is Christ The King | 2024 Christmas Concert

Join us in celebrating the Christmas season with one of our church's most treasured traditions! Our annual Christmas concerts feature carols, both old and new,

presented by the Chancel Choir, Carillon Ringers, Jubilate Ringers and orchestra. A freewill offering will benefit Dare to Care. Admission is free, and all visiting family, friends and guests are welcome! More information is available at *ccum.net*.

Sunday, December 8 | 5 pm Wednesday, December 11 | 7:30 pm Sunday, December 15 | 9 & *11:15 am Tuesday, December 17 | *7:30 pm

*Service will be livestreamed at ccum.net/live

During this season, we are **Called to Generosity**. The annual Commitment Sunday is November 24. To make your estimate of giving online, visit *ccum.net/generosity*.



FELLOWSHIP

Honoring Our Veterans | Today, November 10 | 10 am | Fellowship Hall

We invite all **veterans and their families** to join us or a time of appreciation and fellowship. Light refreshments will be served.

Please join us for our **New Member Gathering today, November 10 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.

Calling all **flute players!** The Christ Church Flute Choir would love for you to join them! Any players at a 7th grade level or beyond are welcome! If interested, please **text** Suzie Kinman at (502) 376-0661.

YOUTH/CHILDREN

4th and 5th Grades Fall Presentation

Sunday, November 17 | 10:20 am | Rooms 003/004

Join us for a special skit on the story of the Good Samaritan—with a time-travel twist! Come celebrate our 4th and 5th graders, their hard work, and their deep dive into this rich and much beloved parable. All are invited!

Laudate Winter Retreat | January 24 - 25, 2025

Registration is now open! Join us for two days of food, fun, fellowship, and opportunities to sing for several organizations around the Louisville metro area. This event is **FREE!** Questions? Contact Ben Williams at ben@ccum.net. For more details and registration, visit ccum.net/youthmusic.

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, November 14 in Room 156 at 12 pm** to discuss *The Women* by Kristin Hannah.

SENIOR ADULTS

SAM Program | Monday, November 11 | 11:30 am | Fellowship Hall

We'll honor Veterans with an opening prayer, then hear from Louisville's treasured historian, **Dr. Tom Owen**. sharing *The History of Louisville: An Overview*. Lunch registration is closed, but the program at 11:30 am is free and all are invited!

SERVE

Festival of Stars

It's time for our annual Festival of Stars, an opportunity to shop for a **Christmas gift** for a person in need in our community. You can select a star from the **trees in the Gathering Hall** or if you would prefer to donate toward the cost of gift cards being distributed to children at **Lighthouse Ministries** and residents of **the Healing Place** and **United Methodist Home for Children and Youth**, please visit *ccum.net/give* and select Festival of Stars from the fund menu. You may also write a check with Festival of Stars in the memo line. Please **drop off your donated gifts to the Gathering Hall by December 1**.

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is **providing support** to people impacted by the recent hurricanes. You may donate in one of three ways:

- Make an **online donation** at *ccum.net/give* and select the UMCOR Hurricane Relief.
- Write a **check** to CCUM with UMCOR in the memo.
- **Donate directly** to UMCOR at <u>umcmission.org/umcor/</u>

Children's Ministry Seeking Adults Willing to Serve.

The Children's Ministry has about 90 active Sunday participants and we **need loving Sunday morning leaders**, **mentors and subs**. We are seeking folks willing to serve **at least one Sunday a month**. If being a "last minute" sub works for your schedule, great! Let us know that. You may serve during the 10 am Faith Formation hour or during the 9 or 11:15 am Children's Worship Time. Please visit *ccum.net/ccumkids* to indicate your interest or reach out to Max Children at <u>max@ccum.net</u>.

Have you wondered what it's like to **volunteer at the front desk** during the week? We'd love for you to **join our group!** For information, contact Gina Perry at 882-9685 or <u>gina@ccum.net</u>.

Help People Worship at Home

Each week there are 100+ people who worship with us live even though they are unable to be present with us on Brownsboro Road. It takes a **team of five each week** to deliver this high quality worship experience. Please **consider serving once a month** on this important team. **No experience necessary and training is provided**. Ages 14 and up are welcome! Email help@ccum.net or stop by the balcony any Sunday morning to learn more.