

Christ Church United Methodist

November 16, 2025

(live-streamed & in-person) 10 am

Order of Worship Living Proof Sunday

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

PRELUDE

Oh, How I Love Jesus
PSALM Kids PreK Choir
Sarah Patton, conductor
with All Strings New

traditional

Mercy Medley
PSALM Kids K-2 Choir
Carol Wellman, conductor; Mark Benz, piano

Fillmore & Ruis

Is There Anything I Can Do for You
PSALM Kids K-5 Choir
Dr. Daniel Blosser, conductor; Mark Benz, piano

Dottie Rambo

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rev. Amy Chapman

Leader: Children of God! Draw near and listen to the Message: Love each other, as if your life depends on it!

People: Love makes up for practically anything!

Leader: Be quick to give a meal to the hungry, a bed to the homeless and be cheerful!

Be generous with the things God gives you, passing them around so
everyone gets a share.

People: If we share words, let them be God's words! If we share help, let it be God's hearty help!

Leader: May God's bright presence be evident in everything you share through Jesus!

People: May Christ get all the credit as the One who is mighty in everything!

By the Holy Spirit, we have been called into a life of shared inheritance that God has given us in Jesus!

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

All Creatures of Our God and King

Hymn 62

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All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing,
O praise ye! Alleluia!

O brother sun with golden beam, O sister moon with silver gleam!
O praise ye! O praise ye! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

O brother wind, air, clouds, and rain, by which all creatures ye sustain,
O praise ye! Alleluia!

Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice, ye lights of evening, find a voice!
O praise ye! O praise ye! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All ye who are of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part,
O praise ye! Alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on him cast your care!
O praise ye! O praise ye! Alleluia! Alleluia! 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 Creatures of Our God and King

Hymn 62

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness,
O praise ye! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One!
O praise ye! O praise ye! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Video: A Shared History

MUSICAL RESPONSE

They'll Know We Are Christians

FWS 2223

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Ministry Moment: A Shared Mission

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC

Let Everything That Hath Breath
Chancel Choir, Laudate, One Voice
Dr. Daniel Blosser, conductor
Matthew Vanover, piano

Jeffery Ames

***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.

Video: A Shared Future

*SCRIPTURE

1 Peter 4:7–11

Robert K. Miller

HOMILY

A Shared Inheritance

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

CALL TO PRAYER

O Lord Hear My Prayer

Taizé

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer; when I call answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer; come and listen to me.

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PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

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

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

This Morning

The flowers today are dedicated by Charlie Barrett and Trudy Wheeler in the memory of Emerson E. Wheeler, Trudy's father, who would have been 100 years old on November 13th.

During this season, we contemplate our **Shared Inheritance** and the profound role we each play in stewarding the gifts God has given us. The annual Commitment Sunday is November 23.
To make your estimate of giving online, visit ccum.net/shared.



*Joyfully giving thanks to the Father,
who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light.*
Colossians 1:12

Advent 2025

Light From Light Eternal

November 30 - December 24

Advent Study | Sundays in December
A Child is Born: A Beginner's Guide to Nativity Stories
A.W.E. Ministry - Threads of Light: An Advent Art Project
Chair Yoga – Joy to the Seat! | Tuesdays in December
Ballard Madrigal Singers Concert | December 8
Intergenerational Event | December 17
Children of Light (for Kids of ALL Ages!)
College Brunch | December 21
Christmas Caroling with Open Chord | December 21
Christmas Eve Services

For more information and registration, visit ccum.net/advent2025.

Light From Light Eternal | 2025 Christmas Concert

Join us this 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 The Nigeria Well Project. Admission is free, and all visiting family, friends and guests are welcome! More information is available at ccum.net.

Sunday, December 7 | 5 pm

Wednesday, December 10 | 7:30 pm

Sunday, December 14 | 9 & *11:15 am

Tuesday, December 16 | *7:30 pm

*Concert will be livestreamed at ccum.net/live

Announcements

As is our tradition, the Staff Parish Relations Committee wants to give you the opportunity to **show your appreciation to the staff** by making a contribution towards a Kroger gift card for each of them, if you so choose. To **express your gratitude**, you may write a check to CCUM with 'Staff Appreciation' in the memo line or give online at ccum.net/give and choose 'Staff Appreciation' from the fund drop-down. **Please send your gift by Monday, December 8.** Whatever amount you may be able to give, thank you for recognizing our talented and dedicated clergy and staff at Christmas.

Grief Support Group | Tuesdays, November 18 - December 23 | 11 am - 12 pm | Prayer Room

Experiencing the death of a loved one is something **you do not have to walk through alone**. Grieving, transitioning and coping cry out for added support and encouragement. Such **support is essential** to your wellbeing - spiritually, mentally and physically. In response to these ongoing needs, we are offering a time of sharing, learning and supporting one another with care. If you cannot commit to being there every week, then come when you are able. If you have questions email Rev. Karen Lovett at kgklovett49@gmail.com.

CCUM Administrative Council Meeting | November 24 | 6:30 pm | Room 158

All Administrative Council members are asked to attend and all church members are invited to attend this church business meeting. Childcare is available upon request by November 16 to childcare@ccum.net.

YOUTH/CHILDREN

PSALM Kids Sharing Night

Join us in the **Chapel** on **Wednesday, November 19** at **6:30 pm** to hear our children sing the songs and share memory verses they have been learning this season. Come celebrate the talents and hard work of these spectacular kids!

Save the Date! Scout Troop 317 **Christmas Tree and Greenery Stand** will open this year on Black Friday, November 28 at 12 pm! Come pick out your tree, wreath and garland, all of the highest quality at bargain prices, while supporting a great cause. The sale is in the church's front parking lot - come early for the best selection! **This morning is the last call to pre-order greenery** - visit the Scout's table in Gathering Hall!

Registration is now open for the **Laudate Winter Retreat!**

Join us **January 30 -31, 2026** 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. Register at ccum.net/youthmusic.

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.**

Help Feed our Neighbors for Thanksgiving! The **Every Neighbor Fed, Housed, and Healthy Initiative** is collecting **ONLY** the following household-sized canned food items through November 23: canned tomatoes, canned fruits, and canned soups. These are the items that are **most needed by our local food pantries**. Bring your offering of 5 cans (or more) to the collection bin in Gathering Hall. Our Children and Youth will be displaying "Canned Art" with your donations in Fellowship on November 16 and 23.

Christmas Concert Parking Volunteers

Our Christmas concerts are a highlight of the season, drawing guests from across our community. We're looking for volunteers to help create a warm, joyful experience for our guests while directing parking and traffic for each concert. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Mike Porter at mike@ccum.net.

Christmas Concert Greeters

We are in need of friendly people to help welcome our Christmas Concert guests and help guide them through the building for the concerts. Families are especially encouraged to work together! There will be space reserved in the balcony for our Greeters so that you may enjoy the concert at well. Please contact Mark Coile at mark@ccum.net.