

Christ Church United Methodist

October 19, 2025

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

Order of Worship

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

PRELUDE

Exalted
Jubilate Ringers
Mark Benz, conductor

Brenda Austin

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

Rev. Leigh Ann Maynard

People: Eternal God, who by love has made us,
and through love has kept us,
and in whose love would make us perfect:
We humbly confess that we have not loved you with all our heart
and soul and mind and strength,
and that we have not loved one another as Christ has loved us.
Your life is in our souls, but our selfishness has hindered you.
We have not lived by faith.
We have resisted your Spirit.
We have neglected your inspirations.
Forgive what we have been;
help us to amend what we are;
and in your Spirit direct what we shall be;
that you may come into the full glory of your creation
in us and in all the people;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: Let us all pray silently and confess our sins to God.
(All pray in silence)

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: The saying is sure and worth of full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.
If anyone sins,
we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous;
Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the whole world.
People: Thanks be to God.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Come, thou Fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
mount of thy redeeming love.

Hymn 400

Here I raise mine Ebenezer;
hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, O take and seal it,
seal it for thy courts above.

***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**

This Is My Father's World

Hymn 144

This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet. This is my Father's world:
why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King; let the heavens ring!
God reigns; let the earth be glad!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

MUSICAL RESPONSE

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.

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC

◇ 9:00

My Song in the Night
Chancel Choir
Given in loving memory of John H. Morton by his wife, Gwyneth.

Elaine Hagenberg

‡ 11:15

Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God
One Voice; Gabe Porter, horn

Lloyd Larson

*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

Jeremiah 31:27–34

(9:00) Tish Muldoon
(11:15) Ken Anderson

SERMON

Written on the Heart

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

CALL TO PRAYER

Breathe on Me, Breath of God
Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.

Hymn 420

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

Wonderful Words of Life
Sing them over again to me,
wonderful words of life;
let me more of their beauty see,
wonderful words of life;
words of life and beauty
teach me faith and duty.

Hymn 600

Refrain:
Beautiful words, wonderful words,
wonderful words of life.
Beautiful words, wonderful words,
wonderful words of life.

Christ, the blessed one, gives to all
wonderful words of life;
sinner, list to the loving call,
wonderful words of life;
all so freely given,
wooing us to heaven. (Refrain)

Sweetly echo the gospel call,
wonderful words of life;
offer pardon and peace to all,
wonderful words of life;
Jesus, only Savior,
sanctify forever. (Refrain)

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

Hymn to Joy
Matthew Vanover, organ

Wayne Wold

◇ Dr. Daniel Blosser, conductor; Daniel Light, piano

‡ Dr. Daniel Blosser, conductor, Kathy Kicklighter, piano

This Morning

The flowers on the altar today are given in loving memory of Sally McWhorter and Fred and Neva McWhorter by Fred McWhorter.

The rose banner honors the birth of:

Annie James Hammond, born July 10. She is the daughter of Joey and Heather Hammond and little sister to Brooks.

Christian Sympathy is extended to the following church members:

Jerry Alley on the death of his wife, Connie Alley, who died October 9.

Craig and Jane Long on the death of Craig's father, Larry Long, who died October 9. Christian sympathy is also extended to grandsons, Ian and McLean.

Announcements

Wednesday Dinners and Classes | Wednesdays through October 29

Fellowship meal for all ages, followed by our second round of fall classes.

Dinner | 5:15 - 6 pm | Fellowship Hall | \$8 adults and \$4 kids | Register at ccum.net/dinner

October 15 menu: Taco Bar with all the fixins' & dessert

Classes | 6 - 7:15 pm | You can still sign up at: ccum.net/classes

Options include:

Every Neighbor Housed: A Christian Call to End Homelessness
Led by: Joy Monsma and Betsy Gibbs

Book Study of, *The Anxious Generation* by Jonathan Haidt
Led by: Rev. Amy Chapman and Dr. Bryan Carter

Annual Charge Conference | November 3 | 6:30 pm | Crestwood UMC

The annual regional Charge Conference for the North Region will be held on Monday, November 3 at Crestwood UMC. The conference will be presided over by our District Superintendent and will be a joint meeting with other churches in our region.

CCUM: Fall Church-Wide Overnight Retreat | November 14 - 15 | Camp Loucon

Join us at Camp Loucon for a **Fall Discipleship Retreat for All Ages!** Singles, families, couples - all are invited! Enjoy worship, hayrides, free time and, of course - smores! The cost is \$75 per person and \$50 for each additional family member. Friday dinner, Saturday morning breakfast and Saturday lunch are included! Visit ccum.net/camploucon for more details and to register. Space is limited to 75.

All are invited on **Sunday, November 9 at 5 pm** in the Chapel for our **Hope for the Holidays Service**. This is a worship service designed as a gift of love and hope to those who may have experienced suffering or loss. In trying and painful times, we come to God and look to Christ's light for comfort and peace. The service will be live-streamed at ccum.net/live.

SENIOR ADULTS

Walk on Wednesday this Fall with SAM | Wednesdays in October | 10 am

Take a step toward fitness that's **free, safe, and fun!** Put on your walking shoes and join us for a **30-minute walk every Wednesday in October**. Details and registration: ccum.net/sam.

MUSIC

Sanctuary Series presents **The Youth Performing Arts School Jazz Ensemble**

Tonight, October 19 at 7 pm | Sanctuary

The Youth Performing Arts School Jazz Ensembles, directed by Dr. Kevin Callihan and Conner Kinmon, participate in conferences, competitions and festivals throughout the nation. They are known for performances of new arrangements, progressive repertoire, virtuosic solos and challenging ensemble material. The program **invigorates interest in jazz** and **enables performance opportunities** and collaborations for young jazz musicians and enthusiasts in the Louisville metro area. A freewill offering will benefit West End School.

YOUTH/CHILDREN

Trunk or Treat and Community Fun Night!

We hope you'll join us for our annual fun and festive event this **Friday, October 24 from 6 - 7:30 pm**. We are inviting the entire community, so **we're asking for your help to make it a success!**

We need **30 Halloween-themed Decorated Car Trunks**, to bless our community with fun, creativity and connection. Whether your trunk is spooky, silly, or storybook-inspired, your participation will **light up the night** for local families! Sign up your car at ccum.net/children.

We need candy! Please **drop off individually wrapped candy** to collection bins at the Christ Church School entrance at Door 8 and in the Gathering Hall **by October 19**.

High School Fall Retreat | Red River Gorge | November 7 - 9

High schoolers, join us for a **weekend of adventure, discipleship, and community** in the Red River Gorge! We'll explore Old Testament stories of people who answered God's call to "Go." Cost is \$150 and we will depart Friday at 5 pm, and return Sunday by 1 pm. **Limited spots available!** Visit ccum.net/youth to register.

SERVE

Seeking 10 am Faith Formation Leaders!

Our **Children's Ministry** is growing and we are **needing four to six** Faith Formation leaders to add another classroom to our 10 am hour. Please prayerfully consider signing up to serve as a Children's Ministry leader. For more information and to sign up, visit ccum.net/children. If you are unable to serve, please reach out to a friend and invite them to consider this opportunity."

Aldersgate Camp & Retreat Center's Work Weekend | October 17 - 18

This is a chance to lend a helping hand after the devastating Lodge fire. For more information, email office@aldersgatecamp.org. Lodging is available for Friday and Saturday evening, but limited.

Fall/Winter Items Needed for L.O.U.

Louisville Outreach for the Unsheltered (L.O.U.) is in **need of items** for the fall and winter seasons. Men's hiking boots, winter appropriate shoes and sneakers (sizes 10 - 12) and casual pants, jeans, sweat pants (size 30 - 34 waist) are especially needed. No dress shoes/dress pants, please. Donations can be dropped off in the bin in Gathering Hall through Friday, October 31.