

# Christ Church United Methodist

September 8, 2024

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

## Order of Worship

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

PRELUDE

*Prelude on SLANE*  
Matthew Vanover, organ

Charles Callahan

INVOCATION

Liz Curtis Higgs

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

*The Church's One Foundation*

Hymn 545

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;  
she is his new creation by water and the Word.  
From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride;  
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth;  
her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder we see her sore oppressed,  
by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,  
yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up, "How long?"  
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,  
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore;  
till, with the vision glorious, her longing eyes are blest,  
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,  
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.  
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we  
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

\*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

*Gloria Patri*

Hymn 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO PRAYER

*Spirit of the Living God*

Hymn 393

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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.

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC

◇ 9:00

*Offertory*  
Chapel Choir

John Ness Beck

‡ 11:15

*Non Nobis Domine*  
Chancel Choir

Rosephanye Powell

\*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

*Matthew 4:18-22*

(9:00) Brooklyn Goselin  
(11:15) Anita Kuvin

## INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

I am no longer my own, but thine.  
 Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.  
 Put me to doing, put me to suffering.  
 Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee,  
 exalted for thee or brought low for thee.  
 Let me be full, let me be empty.  
 Let me have all things, let me have nothing.  
 I freely and heartily yield all things  
 to thy pleasure and disposal.  
 And now, O glorious and blessed God,  
 Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
 thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.  
 And the covenant which I have made on earth,  
 let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

*Wesley Covenant Prayer*

## \*CLOSING HYMN

*This Is a Day of New Beginnings*

Hymn 383; st. 1-4

This is a day of new beginnings, time to remember and move on,  
 time to believe what love is bringing, laying to rest the pain that's gone.

For by the life and death of Jesus, God's mighty Spirit, now as then,  
 can make for us a world of difference, as faith and hope are born again.

Then let us, with the Spirit's daring, step from the past and leave behind  
 our disappointment, guilt, and grieving, seeking new paths, and sure to find.

Christ is alive, and goes before us to show and share what love can do.  
 This is a day of new beginnings; our God is making all things new.

## SENDING FORTH

## POSTLUDE

*LOB DEN HERREN*  
 Matthew Vanover, organ

arr. Wayne L. Wold

◇ Mark Benz, conductor; Matthew Vanover, organ

‡ Dr. Daniel Blosser, conductor

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

**This Morning**

The flowers on the altar this morning are given by David and Deanna Catlett in memory of our mothers, Marilyn Catlett and Marlene Shipley.

The flowers in the gathering hall are in memory of Mike Powers.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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.

### Job Openings at Christ Church School

Two classroom teacher openings (one full-time and one part-time) are available. Inquiries may be sent to [jobs@ccum.net](mailto:jobs@ccum.net) or call the school at 897-3657.

### 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!

## NOTEWORTHY

**Called to Learning and Action: Injustice and Inequality in Our City** | Wednesdays: August 21 - September 11

As we lean toward our **upcoming Christ Church Cares Day**, these important conversations will offer a space to explore the **issues of injustice and inequality in our community** and how we, as the Church, can respond individually and collectively. We hope you will prioritize the fullness of this 4-week endeavor as, together, we listen for the Holy Spirit to speak on behalf of our neighbors.

### Series Topics

6:15 – 7:15 pm | Fellowship Hall | Childcare is available upon request

9.11 **Black Maternal & Child Health** with Louisville Coalition for Black Maternal Health

## FELLOWSHIP

**Called to Write:** A Monthly Workshop | Thursday, September 19 | 6:30 - 8 pm | Youth Center

Join author Liz Curtis Higgs, as she shares how to **observe the world like a writer** and incorporate what you see. Bring any writing project you're working on or start one while we're together. All writers, from aspiring to accomplished, are invited to join us for this **free workshop!** New to our group? Register at [ccum.net/write](http://ccum.net/write)

## MEN

**Men's Breakfast** | Saturday, September 14 | 8 am | Fellowship Hall

Men of all ages are invited monthly for breakfast, fellowship and guest speakers. This month's speakers are **Mike Porter** and **Mark Vanderwerp** who will be speaking about Congregational Engagement and the upcoming **Christ Church Cares Day**. Come and bring a friend!

## SENIOR ADULTS

**Fall SAM Events** | Register at [ccum.net/SAM](http://ccum.net/SAM)

Monday, September 9 | 11:30 am | Fellowship Hall

You are invited to hear **Dr. Ron Higdon** share his much-needed message, **Aging Is Not Optional – How We Handle It Is**. The author of 14 books, a beloved pastor, and a Christ Church favorite, Ron will share the **good news about growing older**, showing us how it can be a season of satisfaction, meaning, and yes, joy!

Wednesday, September 25 | 9:30 am | \$35 due Monday, September 23 by 12 pm

For our first fall **outing**, we'll ride the bus to **Riverside**, the **Farnsley-Moremn Landing**, for a guided tour, then enjoy lunch at **Mike Linnig's Restaurant**, celebrating 100 years of serving delicious seafood.

### **Walk on Wednesday this Fall with SAM** | 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 each week** through one of seven of Louisville's nicest parks. Details and registration: [ccum.net/SAM](http://ccum.net/SAM). This Wednesday, **September 11, join us at Robsion Park in Lyndon!**

**Keep the Faith!** Gather around God's Word in the **Chapel** on **Tuesday** mornings this October and consider four vital steps we're called to take as we mature: Keep Believing, Keep Praying, Keep Serving, and Keep Loving. Taught by Liz Curtis Higgs, this **Senior Adult Bible Study** begins at **10 am** on **October 8, 15, 22 and 29**. Invite your friends and register at [ccum.net/keepthefaitb](http://ccum.net/keepthefaitb).

### **WOMEN**

**Psalm 23** not only provides comfort in loss—it gives confidence in life! Join beloved author Jennifer Rothschild for this 7-session **Women's Bible Study** beginning Thursday, September 12 from 5:30-7:00 pm in Room 260, led by Tish Muldoon. **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, September 12 in Room 156 at 12 pm** to discuss *The Secret Book of Flora Lea* by Patti Callahan Henry.

### **YOUTH/CHILDREN**

#### **Save the Date!**

Trunk or Treat Community Fun Night | October 25 from 6 - 7:30 pm

**Pass It On Kids Sale** | Fellowship Hall | September 20, 9 am - 2 pm & 5:30 - 7:30 pm | September 21, 9 am - 12 pm

The semi-annual Pass it On Kids Sale is coming up with **hundreds of items**, including **clothing, toys, books, shoes, furniture, equipment, maternity clothes and more!** Visit [ccum.net/passiton](http://ccum.net/passiton) to **sign up to volunteer or consign**. For questions and more information **text** Whitney Fontaine at (502) 797-7175.

**upLIFT Books & Bible** | Tuesdays at 9:30 am | Room 001

Come **join other mommas** for a **weekly conversation** about books, the Bible and our journey of *becoming living proof of God's love, one person at a time*. More details and registration is at [ccum.net/uplift](http://ccum.net/uplift).

**Hey Mommas!** Are you **home with your littles** on Friday mornings? Want somewhere to **explore** (and help get their wiggles out)? Want your kiddos to play with friends, or get to know the moms of kids they know from class, Children's Worship, PSALM Kids or Faith Formation? **Join other upLIFT moms for Pray & Playdates on Fridays at 10 am**. We explore fun spots all around Louisville and get to know each other while our littles do their thing! Register for locations and weather-related updates at [ccum.net/uplift](http://ccum.net/uplift).

### **SERVE**

Roll up your sleeve and join us for the next **Red Cross Blood Drive** on **Tuesday, October 1** from 1- 6 pm in Fellowship Hall. Please schedule an appointment by contacting Kim Brice at (502) 727-2581. Walk-ins are also welcome.

Are you an **amateur photographer, videographer, reporter or story-teller**? We're looking for several people to **help us** capture and share the stories of Christ Church Cares Day. If you're interested, please email or text Kim Keller at [kimkeller@ccum.net](mailto:kimkeller@ccum.net) or 502.882-9697.

### **Christ Church Cares Day is Saturday, September 21**

We will spend the day serving our neighbors at multiple sites across our city. For **more information and to register** visit [ccum.net/cares](http://ccum.net/cares).

### **Diaper and Baby Wipes Drive to Support Mama to Mama and Zora's Cradle!**

Did you know? A mother making **minimum wage works 5 hours to buy a box of diapers with 174 diapers per box.** Would you consider buying one instead? We've collected 5,000 diapers! We only need 173 people buying a box of 174 diapers to get us to our goal. Bins are in the Gathering Hall, Preschool and outside under the portico. You can also donate to the purchase of diapers and wipes at [ccum.net/diapers](http://ccum.net/diapers). Thank you for your generosity!

**Children's Ministry Seeking 12+ 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 a minimum of 12 folks willing to serve at least one Sunday a month for the next school year. 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](http://ccum.net/ccumkids)** to indicate your interest or reach out to Max Childers at [max@ccum.net](mailto:max@ccum.net).

### **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](mailto:help@ccum.net) or stop by the balcony any Sunday morning to learn more.

Join the **Petal Pushers!** The Petal Pushers Ministry **creates new arrangements** from our donated altar flowers and **shares them** with homebound members and others in need of cheering. If you would like to volunteer to be a part of this important ministry, please call or stop by the front desk and leave your contact information.