

Christ Church United Methodist

August 14, 2022

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

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost Order of Worship

WELCOME

Rev. Melissa Head

PRELUDE

Andante and Allegro from Sonata in C
Susan Kinman, flute
Dr. Shawn Dawson, harpsichord

J.S. Bach

BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Penelope Grace Raymond (3/12/2012) daughter of Edye and Peter Raymond

Pastor: Members of the household of faith, I commend to your love and care Penelope, whom we this day recognize as a member of the family of God. Will you endeavor so to live that they 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 Penelope, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

BAPTISMAL RESPONSE

You have put on Christ, in Christ you have been baptized.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Hymn 609

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the beginning, God called the world into being, saying,

People: "Let there be light!"

Leader: In the fullness of time, Jesus came from God to us, saying,

People: "I am the Light of the world."

Leader: We give praise for eternal light from God who sits on the throne and from the Lamb!

ALL: We worship You, Lord, for our Light – the reflection of Your light – to shine for all to see!

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Hymn 139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;
join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigning
bears thee on eagle's wings, e'er in his keeping maintaining.
God's care enfolds all, who true good he upholds.
Hast thou not known his sustaining?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy life and restore thee;
surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
who with his love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy life and restore thee,
fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before thee.
Then to thy need God as a mother doth speed,
spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again;
gladly forever adore him.

*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

How Great Thou Art

Hymn 77

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;
how great thou art, how great thou art!
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how great thou art, how great thou art!

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

Nearer, My God, to Thee
Tenor Leaven
Daniel Blosser, soloist

arr. James L. Stevens

In articulo mortis	<i>At the moment of death</i>
Cealitus mihi vires	<i>My strength is from Heaven.</i>
Deo adjuvantes	<i>With God's help,</i>
Non timendum in perpetuum	<i>Nothing is feared forever.</i>
Dirige nos domine	<i>Guide us, oh Lord,</i>
Ad augusta per angusta	<i>Through adversity to splendor</i>
Sic itur ad astra	<i>Such as the path to the stars</i>
Excelsior, Excelsior	<i>Ever higher. Ever higher.</i>

This performance is dedicated in memory of Melanie Williams Sublett,
who always supported and encouraged us, and who recommended this piece.
-Tenor Leaven

*Children K - 5th Grade are invited to leave the worship service
to go outdoors for the lesson. In case of rain, we will go to the gym.
After the service, parents please pick up your children downstairs in classroom 005.*

*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

Revelation 3:20-22

Peter Raymond

SERMON

Stories of Light: Omega Window

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*CLOSING HYMN

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Hymn 629

Refrain: You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat.
Come, give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.

As when the shepherd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice,
so when you call your family, Lord, we follow and rejoice. (Refrain)

With joyful lips we sing to you our praise and gratitude,
that you should count us worthy, Lord, to share this heavenly food. (Refrain)

Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out-poured?
Do not one cup, one loaf, declare our oneness in the Lord? (Refrain)

The mystery of your presence, Lord, no mortal tongue can tell;
whom all the world cannot contain comes in our hearts to dwell. (Refrain)

You give yourself to us, O Lord; then selfless let us be,
to serve each other in your name in truth and charity. (Refrain)

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

Preludium in D, BuxWV 139
Dr. Shawn Dawson, organ

Dietrich Buxtehude

***Announcements are located on the following pages*

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Christian sympathy is extended to Lynnette and Leslie McGiffen-Newkirk on the death of their grandmother, Carmen McGiffen, who died August 8.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebrating Children's Ministry Milestones

We are delighted to kick-off the fall by celebrating two important milestones for our children! On **Sunday, August 21** we will:

- **Bless our Kindergartners**, welcome them into worship and invite them to begin leaving the service early and learning about worship at our Children's Worship!
- **Present Bibles to our 3rd Graders** and invite them to begin sitting through worship with their parents.

Registration is required and there will be a rehearsal for both groups in the Sanctuary on Saturday, August 20 at 9 am. (Siblings are welcome at both.) Please at ccum.net/children.

All Things New | Sundays at 10:05 am | Room 002 | Beginning August 21

Finally, a **Sunday morning class** just for parents of littles! Led by couples from the **First Things First** class, **All Things New** will offer relational, spiritual and practical encouragement for moms and dads with **children from newborn through age five**. Join your peers for coffee and conversation, for the joy of laughing together and praying together, for the chance to let go of parenting guilt and celebrate the good stuff.

Backside Ministry Collection

Help us show our Christ Church love to the **Kentucky Racetrack Chaplaincy!** Durring the **month of August**, we will be **collecting specific items** that will be helpful to track workers who will return to Churchill Downs in September. **Stop by the reception desk for a list of helpful donations, or visit ccum.net/donations.** Donations can be dropped off in the large blue bin under the portico.

Children's Faith Formation at 10 am resumes for all ages!

Faith Formation Hour for the school year **will begin Sunday, August 21** at 10 am. We are excited to spend time **praying, playing and learning Bible Stories** with your children! Plus, we are focusing on building friendship this year so we have **added extra playtime** to each session!

Grief Support Group

August 24 – September 28 | Wednesdays at 11:30 am | Room 154

Experiencing the death of a loved one is something you do not have to walk through alone. **As you are grieving, transitioning and coping there are ways to get support and encouragement.** We invite you to attend our **weekly Grief Support Group** for a time of sharing with one another, learning about the tasks of grief and holding one another up with care. **Even if you cannot be there every week, come as often as possible.** Contact Rev. Melissa Head with any questions. No registration is needed. Just come.

Adult Volunteers Needed | Sunday Mornings

Our children are amazing and we are blessed to have them! Please consider volunteering to **help them grow in their faith** on Sundays in one of these areas:

- Children's Worship at 9 and 11:15 am
- Faith Formation at 10 am for K-3rd and 4th-5th
- Preschool-K at 9, 10 and 11:15 am

Contact Janet Hagerty at janet@ccum.net if you are interested and for more information.

Flood Buckets for Eastern Kentucky

The **Kentucky Conference's Disaster Response** is working with UMCOR, the Red Cross and several organizations to provide **relief for the flood victims in Eastern Kentucky**. There is an **immediate need for 'flood buckets' that aid in initial clean-up**. Assembled buckets may be returned to the table in the Gathering Hall. Visit umcmmission.org/umcor-cleaning-kit, for instructions on building a flood bucket. You may also donate to the flood recovery efforts by writing a check payable to CCUM with "E KY Flood Relief" in the memo line or by visiting ccum.net/give. Please keep our Kentucky neighbors in your prayers.

SAM Outing | Tuesday, August 23 | State Fair

Sign up for our first outing of the fall - **Senior Day at the Kentucky State Fair!** Join us as we experience this unique festival that celebrates local and statewide heritage through blue ribbon competition, concerts, special exhibits and more! **We'll meet at the church at 9:30 am and return around 2 pm**. Register at ccum.net/sam!

PSALM Kids Registration is Here!

Parents, registration is now open for PSALM Kids, our **Children's Music Program** here at Christ Church. Kids in **grades Pre-K through 5th grade** experience God's love and develop musical and other skills through singing, ringing, games, activities and leading in worship. They meet weekly on **Wednesdays from 6 - 7:15 pm, beginning August 24**. Register at ccum.net/children/music.

Youth Music Opening Night is coming up on August 21!

This is the **fall kickoff event for youth music at Christ Church**, and we are inviting teens, parents, and volunteers to attend. **Whether you have sung or rung with us for years, or you are brand new to youth music, this event is for you**. No registration required, and no experience necessary! Come join us on August 21 at **5 pm in the choir room!**

Ice Cream Social and Open House | Sunday, August 21 | 6 pm | Youth Center

When you are finished with the music kickoff, come and join us in Youth Center for ice cream and fellowship. You can **meet some new friends, eat some ice cream and play some games**. If you have any questions, contact Mike Porter at mike@ccum.net.

Bible Land Exploration | Trip dates: January 16 - 25, 2023

It's not too late to **join Pastor Eric Bryant and Liz Curtis Higgs on this once-in-a-lifetime adventure!** We'll be following the footsteps of Jesus as we experience all that Israel has to offer—from Bethlehem to Bethsaida, from Jericho to Jerusalem, from the Dead Sea to the Sea of Galilee. **You will never read the Bible the same way again!** If you are interested in the trip, you can pick up a brochure at the front desk or visit ccum.net/adults for more information.

Men's Morning Coffee Returns! | Tuesdays | 7 - 8 am | Fellowship Hall

We took a break during July, but **beginning again on August 2**, we invite you to come join other men on Tuesday mornings anytime between 7 - 8 am. Stop in grab a coffee and donut, connect/reconnect with old and new friends and listen to a short devotional.

Men's Ministry: Just for Men | Wednesdays at 7:30 am via Zoom

Join Rev. Mike Porter, Director of Men's Ministries and Discipleship, as he shares scripture and discussion for men during these trying times. Drop-in to our weekly gathering. If interested, please email katie@ccum.net to be sent the Zoom link.