

Christ Church United Methodist

November 20, 2022

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

Christ the King Sunday Order of Worship

WELCOME

Rev. Melissa Head

PRELUDE

Beneath the Cross of Jesus
Benjamin Carter, piano

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CALL TO WORSHIP

That is Why I Sing
PSALM Kids PreK Choir
Jodi Holley, conductor; Deanne Catlett, piano

Lynn Shaw Bailey

This Little Light of Mine
‡ PSALM Kids Grades K-5

Mark Patterson

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Ye Servants of God
Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad his wonderful name;
the name all-victorious of Jesus extol,
his kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save,
and still he is nigh, his presence we have;
the great congregation his triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King.

"Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!"
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son;
the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore and give him his right,
all glory and power, all wisdom and might;
all honor and blessing with angels above,
and thanks never ceasing and infinite love.

Hymn 181

*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!

BAPTISMAL COVENANT

(9:00) Gabriel Natochim Smith (9/28/19) and Gannon Jidenna Smith (5/12/22) sons of Ted and Amaka Smith

(11:15) Virginia Jane Kington (8/1/22) daughter of Jessie and George Kington

Pastor: Members of the household of faith, I commend to your love and care (9:00) Gabriel and Gannon (11:15) Virginia, whom we this day recognize as (a) member(s) 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 (9:00) Gabriel and Ganon (11:15) Virginia, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

BAPTISMAL RESPONSE

Hymn 609

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

PASSING OF THE PEACE

† CALL TO PRAYER

I Will Shine
PSALM Kids Grades 3-5

Edwards/Blomberg

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

Soli Deo
Laudate, middle school choir
Daniel Light, piano

David Waggoner

◇ 11:15

Set Me as a Seal
Chancel Choir

René Clausen

*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

Colossians 1:11-22

(9:00) Bill Higgs
(11:15) Elizabeth Gibbs

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*CLOSING HYMN

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Hymn 154

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall,
go spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all.
Go spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all.

Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.
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Crown him, ye martyrs of your God, who from his altar call;
extol the Stem of Jesse's Rod, and crown him Lord of all.
Extol the Stem of Jesse's Rod, and crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.

SENDING FORTH

† Dr. Daniel Blosser, conductor; Deanna Catlett, piano

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** *Announcements are located on the following pages*

CHRISTMAS CONCERT SERIES 2022

Love Incarnate, Love Divine

Our Christmas tradition continues with five concerts featuring our 120-voice Chancel Choir, 30 handbell ringers, and a 27-piece orchestra. Come experience the joy of Christmas and celebrate the birth of Christ with us!
Admission is free.

Sunday, December 4 | 5 pm
Wednesday, December 7 | 7:30 pm
Sunday, December 11 | 9 & † 11:15 am
Tuesday, December 13 | 7:30 pm

† The 11:15 Concert on December 11 will be available on livestream.

ADVENT 2022

Blue Christmas | Sunday, December 18 | 4 pm* | Sanctuary

Blue Christmas is a worship service designed as a gift of love and hope to those who may have experienced suffering or loss over the course of the past few years. In trying and painful times, we come to God and look to Christ's light for comfort and peace. Communion will be served and the service will be live-streamed at ccum.net/live.

Carols of Care | Monday, December 19 | 6 pm

Let's go caroling to help spread Christmas Cheer! Meet us at Entrance 1 to collect candles, jingle bells and maps. Groups will travel to neighborhoods. If you're interested in being a part of this event, please contact Lisa Watkins at lisa@ccum.net for more information.

Christmas Eve Worship | Saturday, December 24 | Sanctuary **3 pm* | 5 pm* | 8 pm | 10:45 pm**

3 pm service is designed for families with young children
3 pm and 5 pm services will be live-streamed at ccum.net/live

Christmas Day Worship | Sunday, December 25 | 10 am Worship only. No Sunday School or childcare.

New Years Day Worship | Sunday, January 1 | 10 am Worship only. No Sunday School or childcare.

*indicates that childcare is available

THIS MORNING

Today's altar flowers are given in loving memory of Neil Kuvin by his wife, Anita.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Christian sympathy is extended to John Davis on the death of his wife, Carolyn Davis, who died November 12. Christian sympathy is also extended to son David (Becky) Will.

Christian sympathy is extended to Laurie Anne and Bill Roberts on the death of Laurie Anne's father, Charles Ferguson, who died November 15. Christian sympathy is also extended to grandchildren Austin, Cameron, Grant (Lauren) and Drew.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Updated Count Me In numbers for this week:

319 household pledges through 11/14/22

\$2,053,762 in 2023 commitments through 11/44/22

25 more commitments than this time last year

Staff Appreciation

During the Christmas season, it has become a **Christ Church tradition** to recognize our church staff for their dedication to promoting our mission and for their efforts in helping all of us as we are becoming *living proof of God's love, one person at a time*. The Staff Parish Relations Committee wants to give you the opportunity to show your appreciation to the staff by making a contribution towards a gift for each of them, if you are able to do so.

To **express your gratitude** to our staff we have a couple of options to choose from:

- Make a check payable to Christ Church with "*Staff Appreciation*" in the memo line.
- Make an online contribution go to ccum.net/give and choose "*Staff Appreciation*" in the Designated Fund drop-down box.

Your contributions will be presented in the form of Kroger gift cards. If you wish to add a personal card or note, we would love to share it with the staff. **Please send your gift by December 5, 2022.**

Charge Conference | November 21, 2022 | 6:30 pm | Room 158

All Administrative Council members are asked to attend and all church members are invited to attend this annual church business meeting. If you would like to join virtually, please email Katie Banas at katie@ccum.net.

Festival of Stars

It's time for our annual **Festival of Stars**, your opportunity to shop for a Christmas gift for a person in need in our community. Select a "virtual" star online at ccum.net/stars to shop for residents of **Wesley Manor and refugees sponsored by CCUM**. Additional stars for these agencies and others can be found on trees in the Gathering Hall. 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 dropdown menu. Please drop off your donated gifts to **Gathering Hall by December 1.**

Las Posadas Family Advent Celebration | Sunday, November 27 | 5 pm

On the first day of Advent, **we'll travel alongside Mary and Joseph** as they look for a welcoming space to have their baby! Join us for a celebration that will include a kid-friendly Mexican dinner, a journey to Bethlehem, games, piñatas, music and a very special Advent gift for each of you (adults and children). The **journey to Bethlehem begins at 5 pm sharp in the Chapel**, with dinner and the celebration to follow in Fellowship Hall. Ramiro's Cantina is catering an authentic Mexican meal and donations for dinner are greatly appreciated! **Bring a blanket to sit on!** Register at ccum.net/children.

Parents of College Students!

We are hosting a brunch for our college students while they are home for Christmas break on **Sunday, December 18 at 10 am in the Café**. Parents, so that we can send them invitations directly, please email their updated contact information to Lisa at lisa@ccum.net.

SAM December Luncheon | Monday, December 12

Join SAM for our final lunch of the year as we host the **Butler High School Concert Choir at a special time of 11 am** in the Chapel. Afterwards, we'll come together for a **festive Christmas lunch in Fellowship Hall at 12 pm**.

Reservations for lunch (\$10) by December 8 at 12 pm at ccum.net/sam.

Women's Wellness Morning: VOCATIONAL WELLNESS

Saturday, December 3 | 10:30 am - 12 pm | Youth Center

Join your Christ Church sisters and friends for 90 minutes of **fast-paced fun** and **heartfelt encouragement**, as we look at our **natural and spiritual gifts** and listen to **what God is calling us to do!** Our own **Rev. Leigh Ann Maynard** and **Liz Curtis Higgs** will be speaking, and **Jewels of Grace** will offer their beautiful necklaces for your Christmas gift giving (every penny goes to **The Healing Place**). Register at www.ccum.net/women/wellness.

Waiting and Watching: An Advent Study | Taught by Liz Curtis Higgs

Monday mornings 10 – 11 am | November 28 – December 19 | Room 158

Monday evenings 7 – 8 pm | November 28 – December 19 | Zoom

Spend this **sacred season** with the many **characters of Christmas**—Elizabeth and Zechariah, Mary and Joseph, the Shepherds and the Wise Men, Anna and Simeon—as they waited and watched, anticipated and celebrated the coming of the Messiah. We'll unwrap each verse with tender care and prepare our hearts and minds for the holy days ahead. Everyone is welcome! Register at ccum.net/adults.

Kids and teens, grades 6 - 12 | Join us weekly in the Youth Center!

Sunday evenings at 6 pm for Youth Group

Wednesday evenings at 6 pm for Open Youth Center

Gaming, doing homework, or just hanging out!

Hope to see you there! Contact Rev. Mike Porter at mike@ccum.net, for more information.

Children's Ministry!

- **During the 9 and 11:15 am worship services**, K - 2nd grades will begin in worship with their families and leave for Children's Worship. They will return to the Sanctuary during the closing hymn. Please note they will remain in worship on Communion Sundays.
- **Faith Formation resumes at 10:05 am!** We are excited to spend time praying, playing and learning Bible Stories with your children. Plus, we are focusing on building friendships this year so we have added extra playtime to each session!

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

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.