

# **Christ Church United Methodist**

October 23, 2022

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

## **Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost Commitment Sunday Order of Worship**

WELCOME

Rev. Leigh Ann Maynard

PRELUDE

*Prelude on Spanish Hymn*  
Dr. Shawn Dawson, organ

Neil Harmon

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Arise! Shine! Christ's church has assembled.

**All: We are one body, with Christ as our head. The Body of Christ, brought together not by human flesh, but by the sovereign Lord.**

Leader: And we are called, each one of us, to pray, to be present, to witness, to serve and to give.

**All: In this worship and in our lives, let us treasure the goodness of our Lord and follow Christ's call to be united in our love and commitment.**

### **\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

Hymn 158

Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!  
Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!  
Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;  
praise is his gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high: Alleluia! Amen!  
Let praises fill the sky: Alleluia! Amen!  
He is our guide and friend; to us he'll condescend;  
his love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet the Lord again: Alleluia! Amen!  
Life shall not end the strain: Alleluia! Amen!  
On heaven's blissful shore his goodness we'll adore,  
singing forevermore: Alleluia! Amen!

### **\*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 Praise to Thee*

Hymn 166

Let every tongue confess with one accord  
in heaven and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord;  
and God the Father be by all adored:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

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

*God Has Work for Us to Do*  
Octet

Mark Miller

◇ 11:15

*God Has Work for Us to Do*  
Intergenerational Choir

Mark Miller

\*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 25:14-30*

(9:00) Robin Powell  
(11:15) Ken Anderson

SERMON

*Count Me In*

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

COUNT ME IN!

Randal Pearson

PRESENTATION OF COMMITMENT CARDS

*Evening Song*  
Daniel Light, piano; Dr. Shawn Dawson, organ

Paul Halley

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\*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

*Fugue in C, BWV 545*  
Dr. Shawn Dawson, organ

J.S. Bach

† Daniel Light, piano

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

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

## THIS MORNING

The flowers in the chancel area are given by Carolyn and Dale Dodrill in loving memory of their son, David Meredith Dodrill.

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Christian sympathy is extended to Ginny and John Heyburn on the death of Ginny's brother, Roger Dalton, who died October 16.

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## CHRIST CHURCH 2023 GIVING CAMPAIGN

**The 2023 Giving Campaign continues.** This year, we are inviting you to make your commitment online at [www.ccum.net/CountMeIn](http://www.ccum.net/CountMeIn). You will also find a physical commitment card in this bulletin.

### What is the Count Me In! Challenge?

- If you aren't giving to the ministries of Christ Church, consider starting by committing \$10 a week.
- Perhaps you skip a lunch, fancy coffee, a movie or other discretionary spend each week. Fast and pray.
- If you already give regularly, consider increasing your gift by \$10 a week by fasting from a meal or other discretionary spending. Pray that God blesses your gifts.
- Times are tough, and for some, maintaining your current level of giving will be a stretch. Consider making that commitment for 2023 by fasting weekly and praying.



Make your commitment by visiting [www.ccum.net/CountMeIn](http://www.ccum.net/CountMeIn).

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

On Sunday, October 30, the **Handbell Ministry** will **premier two anthems in worship dedicated to the memory of Michael Bolden**. The first is a handbell adaptation by Joel Raney of Daniel Light's piano arrangement of "*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*," which was played at Michael's memorial service. This was commissioned by the Handbell Ringers of Christ Church. The second is an arrangement for handbells by our own Ben Williams of "*Total Praise*," which Annie Bolden also sang at Michael's memorial service. Michael meant so much to us as teacher, director, mentor and friend, and our Handbell Ministry offers these pieces in appreciation for his service and ministry.

**Scouts Love Cars!** | Saturday, November 5 | 8 am | Parking lot

Calling all car, truck and bike enthusiasts! Scout Troop 317, together with Christ Church's Men's Ministry, is hosting our inaugural Scouts Love Cars, a **car show and pancake breakfast**. The cost is \$15 at the door, with **all proceeds benefitting Troop 317**. Please contact Jeff Goodwin at [jgoodwindoc@icloud.com](mailto:jgoodwindoc@icloud.com) with any questions. Come join us and bring your appetite!

**Louisville Mandolin Orchestra Concert** | Today, October 23 | 3 pm | Chapel

The Louisville Mandolin Orchestra (LMO) is an acoustic ensemble of mandolins, mandolas, mandocellos, guitars and bass performing instrumental music from early baroque and renaissance to classical and modern. They are **performing a free concert** at Christ Church and invite you to join them for an afternoon of **dance music from around the world**. Please come and enjoy!

Christ Church's Children and Youth Ministries have partnered with Christ Church School and are throwing a **Halloween Family Fun Night** on **Friday, October 28 at 6 pm in the parking lot!** We invite your family to join us for **games, food trucks, Trunk or Treat, costume parade, and awards and prizes!** But best of all, it's a time to connect with one another and the Christ Church School Teachers, Staff and Faith Formation Leaders! Hope to see you there!

**We still have some opportunities for you to help us make it a success!**

- **Decorated Car Trunks for Trunk or Treat** - we still have a few spots left!
- **We need candy!** Drop off nut-free, individually wrapped candy to the collection bin at the front desk. OR you can order from our Amazon candy wish list.
- **We need Youth volunteers to help with games and activities!** Please email Mike Porter at [mike@ccum.net](mailto:mike@ccum.net) to let him know you can help.

To sign up your car or order candy, visit [ccum.net/children](http://ccum.net/children).

Join us for our **October SAM Outing** on **Monday, October 31** for a **bus tour of The Parklands of Floyds Fork!** We'll meet at church at noon, stop along the way to enjoy our boxed lunches and then do the tour. We'll return to church by 3:30 pm. Register at [ccum.net/sam](http://ccum.net/sam).

**Parents Day Out** | Sunday, November 13 | 11 am - 2 pm

The Youth of Christ Church would like to offer you a Parents Day Out! With the holiday season approaching, we know you could use a few extra hours without your kids! Come for 9 am worship and Sunday School at 10 am, **then enjoy some precious alone time**. The **youth will entertain your school aged-kids (K-5)** and are accepting donations for their programming and summer mission projects. Infants through 4 year-olds are invited to come to their normal child care area for special fun! A pizza lunch will be provided for ages 3 – 5th grade. Register your children and youth helpers at [ccum.net/children](http://ccum.net/children).

**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](mailto:mike@ccum.net), for more information.

## FUTURE HAMMERHEADS

Your Hammerheads have recently begun working on the Fuller Center in the west end. Fuller buys and fixes up houses for those who might not be able to afford one otherwise. We work **Tuesday and Friday mornings** for around 3-4

hours each day. We are looking for anyone who can hold a hammer, paint brush or broom. In other words, **no matter your skill level, we can use your help.** This is a great opportunity to help those who really need a home. If you can spare a morning, please give Ted Champion a call/text at 502-468-2139 or email at [tedchampionsr@gmail.com](mailto:tedchampionsr@gmail.com).

### 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.

### 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](http://ccum.net/adults) for more information.

### 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](mailto:katie@ccum.net) to be sent the Zoom link.



Thomas Merton wisely said, "If you want **a life of prayer**, the way to get it is by praying." At Christ Church, our **Prayer Room** has become a sacred space, ready and waiting for us to gather and pray—as individuals, with friends, as families, with small groups. **Everyone is welcome, anytime the church is open.**

Our **Prayer Room** (150B, *behind the Parlor*) **is open!** Come and see for yourself how this small room has been transformed into a warm and welcoming place to meet with God.

### Prayer Requests

You'll find a **board** for posting **public prayer requests**, so our church community can pray for one another, and a **box** for placing your **private prayer needs**, so our pastoral staff can pray for you and those you care about.

### Prayer Gatherings

Every **Sunday morning** from **8:30 - 9 am**, Rev. Melissa Head, Liz Curtis Higgs, or another staff member will lead a time of prayer, including a brief teaching at the start, since we all have much to learn about prayer. Praying for our church and each other is the perfect way to begin the Lord's Day!

### Prayer Prompts

Every **Tuesday morning**, you can receive a short prompt by text or email, encouraging you to pray for a specific need. To register: [ccum.net/prayerprompt](http://ccum.net/prayerprompt)

### Let's Pray on Facebook LIVE

**Every Thursday at 12 pm**, join **Liz Curtis Higgs on Facebook LIVE for 15 minutes**, as she shares a short teaching on prayer, then prays, inviting viewers to share prayer requests in the comments. Catch Liz live or later, at <http://www.facebook.com/christchurchlouisville>.

**We are eager to make prayer a priority at Christ Church, grateful for God's promise,  
"When you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you."  
Jeremiah 29:12**