



CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
MARCH 22, 2026
PASTOR ~ THE REV. DR. PETER VERMEULEN
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Welcome,
GUESTS!

*At Christ United Methodist Church we want to help you
take your next steps with Christ.*

Sunday School ~ 9:00 AM
Worship ~ 10:00 AM

* We are so glad you chose to worship with us this morning! We pray you find a warm welcome and a moving worship experience.

* Please register your attendance on the *Connection Card* found in the pew book holder.

* Nursery for **children ages 5 and under** is located across the courtyard in the Fellowship Hall. Please see an usher for assistance in locating.

* Children **Kindergarten thru Fifth grade** will be dismissed for Children's Church following the Children's Moment. Children's Church is also located in the Fellowship Hall. Children's bulletins and crayons are available in the Narthex.

* Williams Hearing Assist listening devices are available at the sound booth.

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THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

> Ezekiel 37:1-14
> Romans 8:6-11

> Psalm 130
> John 11:1-45

MARCH 8 ATTENDANCE: 73 in-person / 7 / 197 FB views

A Call to Love



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Thine is the Glory

Handbell Choir

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor Peter

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Some of us come to worship today, weary and worn, heavy with all the circumstances that are too much to bear alone.

R ~ People: We gather to travel God's redemption road together.

Leader: Some of us come to worship today, dry and thirsty, longing for relief and peace from the troubles that surround us. **R**

Leader: Some of us come to worship today with stories to tell of little resurrections, moments of new life that sprang up when we least expected them. **R**

Leader: Beloved, whatever we bring with us to worship today, God welcomes us and calls us to work together as we travel God's redemption road together.

All: Come, We gather to be truth-tellers and life-bringers as we travel God's redemption road together. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, July 2025.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Pastor Peter

* HYMN OF PRAISE UMH # 154 (vs 1, 2, 4, 6) *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #881

Lay Reader & Congregation

* GLORIA PATRI

UMH # 70

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor: Mary and Martha believed that Christ would help them in their time of need and because of their faith, he raised their brother Lazarus from the dead. With faith that Christ will intercede for us, we bring our needs to the Father.

Lector: Our response is "**Christ, bring us to life**" = **R**.

That the leaders of the church will be living examples of their faith, we pray to the Lord. **R**

That the leaders of the nations of the world will do all in their power to bring peace on earth and end the war in Ukraine, we pray to the Lord. **R**

That the sick, the elderly and those who are grieving the loss of a loved one will find strength in their faith and especially in their belief in the resurrection, we pray to the Lord. **R**

That the members of our parish family will be ministers of healing in their own families, work places and local community, we pray to the Lord. **R**

That all of those preparing for their first sacraments, their families and sponsors, may grow in their knowledge of the gospel, we pray to the Lord. **R**

That this Lenten season, and the upcoming celebration of Easter, may bring those who have fallen away back to the practice of their Catholic faith, we pray to the Lord. **R**

For all of the intentions we hold in our hearts and which we now recall in silence. (Pause) For all of these intentions, we pray to the Lord. **R**

Pastor: Gracious Father, you heard the prayer of your Son and empowered him to restore life to Lazarus. Hear the prayers we bring before you in faith and grant us the grace of your Spirit to be agents of healing in the lives of others. And we ask this through Christ, our Lord.

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LORD'S PRAYER	Pastor Peter & Congregation	
REFLECTIVE MEDITATION	<i>I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked</i>	Handbell Choir
* THE PEACE ~	Extend signs and words of God's peace to those sitting closest to you.	
OFFERTORY PRAYER		Lay Reader
OFFERTORY MUSIC	<i>King of Kings and Lord of Lords</i>	Handbell Choir / Tambourine, Mrs. Tami Galipo
* DOXOLOGY		UMH # 95
SPECIAL MUSIC	<i>Amazing Love! And Can It Be That I Should Gain?</i>	Handbell Choir
* SCRIPTURE		John 11:11-45
	The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Praise be to God!	
SERMON	"The raising of Lazarus"	Pastor Peter
* HYMN OF RESPONSE		Screen ~ <i>You, O Christ, Are Resurrection</i>
* BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE	<i>Lord, I Lift Your Name On High</i>	Handbell Choir
	* Please rise in body or in spirit as you are able.	

SERVING TODAY

Acolytes: Akira Obi & Zoey Evans

Children's Church: Mike Eorio

Counter & Media: Mike Crocker

Lay Reader: Bryan List

Live Stream: Sandy Dempster

Sound: Joe Galipo

Ushers: Nikki Massey * & Thomas Schoonover

* help with offering



The flowers in the Altar area are given by Glenda Apaka **to the Glory of God in Memory of Ken.**



28: Rebekah Vermeulen



Available in the East hallway of the Narthex are coffee supplies and two Keurig coffee makers. Please help yourself!

UPCOMING EVENTS

HOLY WEEK
MARCH 29TH - APRIL 3RD

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH ~

10AM Worship & Easter Cantata

4-6PM Block Party @ Fountain Park in conjunction with First & Trinity UMC's. Cookout, egg hunt, bouncy house, fellowship.

TUESDAY, MARCH 31ST – THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 12PM ~

Soup & Sandwich lunches, CUMC FH

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 2ND ~

TENEBRAE WORSHIP SERVICE, 6:30PM @ First UMC

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3RD ~

WORSHIP, 6:30PM @ Trinity UMC

EASTER SUNDAY @ CHRIST UMC ~

7AM Sunrise Worship

9AM Easter Breakfast & Egg Hunt ~ bring your favorite breakfast finger food to share Easter morning. **Please bring a dozen stuffed and taped shut plastic eggs for the Egg Hunt to the Church by Thursday, April 2nd.**

10AM Worship Celebration of our Risen Savior

BLESSING BOX MOST NEEDED:

Cereal (individual boxes or bowls)

Chef Boyardee or similar spaghetti, beefaroni, etc

Donations may be left in the Narthex or Church office.



KINDERGARTEN THRU 5TH GRADE

SUNDAYS, 4-6PM

EDUCATION BLDG

Bible stories, crafts, games, snacks
