



CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
SEPTEMBER 6, 2026
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Christ UMC: Faith Moving ~ God's Love Transforming ~
Difference Making

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 return to their parents following the Children's Moment to participate in the life of the church and receive communion. If you prefer for you child not to receive communion, they may remain in their seat or go forward with their arms crossed over their chest to receive a blessing. 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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AUGUST 30 ATTENDANCE: 53 / 7 on-line



Today we celebrate Communion, also known as the Lord's Supper or the Eucharist. It is a central, sacred, transformative act of worship in The United Methodist Church; a sacred meal where we encounter the presence of Christ and are reminded of God's grace, love, and invitation to the table.

As we gather at the table, we are reminded that Christ welcomes us, feeds us, and sends us out to be His hands and feet in the world.

By approaching the Lord's Table with gratitude and expectation, we open ourselves to the mystery of God's love, allowing it to shape and sustain us. Whether we come burdened with struggles or filled with joy, Christ meets us in the breaking of the bread.

Adapted from <https://www.iclstumc.com/post/the-meaning-of-communion-in-the-united-methodist-church>

If you are unable to come forward to receive, please let an usher know and communion will be brought to you.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE	<i>The Royal Banners</i>	MANSFIELD
CHIMING OF THE HOUR		
WELCOME		
OPENING PRAYER		The Rev. Dr. Peter Vermeulen
RESPONSIVE LITANY ~ UMH # 861	PSALM 148	Lay Reader & Congregation
<i>R ~ Let all things their creator bless: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!</i>		
Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise the Lord, in the heights!		
People: Praise the Lord, all his angels, praise the Lord, all his hosts!		
Leader: Praise the Lord, sun and moon, praise the Lord, all shining stars!		
People: Praise the Lord, highest heavens, and all waters above the heavens! <i>R</i>		
Leader: Let them praise the name of the Lord, who commanded and they were created.		
People: who established them for ever and ever, and fixed their bounds which cannot be passed.		
Leader: Praise the Lord from the earth, sea monsters and all deeps,		
People: fire and hail, snow and smoke, stormy wind fulfilling God's command! <i>R</i>		
Leader: Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!		
People: Beasts and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!		
Leader: Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!		
People: Young men and maidens together, old men and children!		
Leader: Let them praise the name of the Lord, whose name alone is exalted, whose glory is above earth and heaven.		
ALL: God has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful ones, for the people of Israel who are near their God. Praise the Lord! <i>R</i>		
CHILDREN'S MOMENT		Rev. Dr. Peter Vermeulen
* HYMN OF PRAISE ~ UMH # 126 (all vs)	<i>Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above</i>	MIT FREUDEN ZART
* PRAYER OF CONFESSION ~ UMH # 8		Rev. Dr. Peter Vermeulen
* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH ~ UMH # 881		Lay Reader & Congregation
* GLORIA PATRI ~ UMH # 70		MEINEKE
MORNING PRAYER	Lay Reader	
* HYMN OF PREPARATION ~ UMH # 123 (sing twice)	<i>El Shaddai</i>	EL SHADDAI
OFFERTORY PRAYER		Lay Reader
OFFERTORY MUSIC	<i>I Sing the Mighty Power of God</i>	COATES
* DOXOLOGY ~ UMH # 95		OLD 100TH
SPECIAL MUSIC ~ Chancel Choir		BARKER
	<i>We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise with Doxology and I Will Enter His Gates</i>	
SCRIPTURE	Exodus 12:1-14	Lay Reader
	The Word of God for the People of God. Thanks be to God!	
SERMON	"Passover"	Rev. Dr. Peter Vermeulen
GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ UMH # 9		
COMMUNION FOR OUR AT HOME FRIENDS		
* HYMN OF RESPONSE ~ UMH # 128 (vs 1, 3, 4)	<i>He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought</i>	HE LEADETH ME
* BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE	<i>March in D</i>	HANDEL
	* Please rise in body or in spirit as you are able.	

IN OUR HEARTS & PRAYERS

Frances Bolen, Cindy Curry, Bernie Murray (Anita
Barker Crenshaw's friend)

SERVING TODAY

Acolytes: Zoe Wilcher
Counter: Mike Crocker
Lay Reader: Stan Ketchel
Livestream: Joe Galipo
Media & Sound: Mike Crocker
Ushers: Anthony Dunn * / Harry Hall
*help with offering



11: Rodney & Vicki Coulter ~ 34 years



12: Tyler Dunn

FINANCE FOCUS TEAM
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH
3PM, Admin Bldg Conference Room

Donations to the Church **in memory of**
Kay Segars have been given by:

Ginny Bramblett
Bill & Gail Goodwin
Janie Daniel



Christ UMC is partnering with the Rescue Mission of Middle Georgia to help fill a truck with hope! **Sunday, September 20th** bring any of the following items to help "stuff the truck" that morning on your way into worship. The truck will be parked out front, open, and ready to accept your donations!

Items Needed: Men's and Women's Deodorant / Bodywash / Shampoo / Paper Towels / Laundry Detergent (HE Liquid) / All Purpose Cleaner / Bathroom Cleaner / Windex / Lysol Spray / Bleach / Clorox Wipes / Trash Bags

NO Kidz for Christ Children's program this evening due to the Labor Day holiday.

The Church office will be **CLOSED** tomorrow in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

LITTLE ANGELS ATTIC HOLIDAY 2026

LAA is preparing for Thanksgiving and Christmas, and we need the congregation to play a large part of this ever-growing ministry.

There is a Christmas tree in the narthex and hanging from this tree are angel tags that list an item to purchase for our annual Toy Giveaway in December (1st & 15th). Many members expressed a desire to help us with this but simply did not know what to buy so, this year, we will give you some ideas. Simply pick an “angel”, buy the gift and return to the church — in narthex, LAA room, or church office. However, if you want to buy or bring lightly used or new toy, feel free to do just that. If you prefer to donate money, simply put LAA on your check. In late November we will purchase toys for the giveaways and take your gifted items and put out for these two dates. Additionally, we will need extra help those two days so please note on your calendar. You do NOT have to have any experience as everyone will be shown what to do. **Last day to bring toys will be Sunday, November 22.**

Thanksgiving this year will be the same as last year. LAA will purchase a number of turkeys, and Kidz for Christ will decorate boxes for all the “fixins” for a full Thanksgiving meal for some of our LAA patrons. Lessia Razo will be in charge of this portion of our holiday project. More information will be forthcoming regarding how you, the congregation, can help. Lessia will be asking for food donations as well as give you deadlines for this. Tuesday November 17 will be the day we will give out the turkey meals.

If any questions about any of this or just about Little Angels Attic, feel free to contact John McIntyre, Marsha Bilbrey, or Lou Ann McLain in the church office.



DONATIONS may be left in the Narthex or brought to the Church office.

LITTLE ANGELS ATTIC MOST NEEDED: Baby shampoo (including fragrance free) / Diapers sizes 4, 5, & 6 / Bars of Soap / Deodorant / Shampoo

Our September 1 Little Angels Attic was a huge success with 84 children being served and quite a few new visitors that day. **Thank you** for your past and continued support of this outreach and for all the volunteers who help us each time we are open.

BLESSING BOX Most Needed: Packaged crackers / Individual packs of Tuna / Breakfast Bars / “Slim-jim type” beef sticks

On-Going: Bottled water / Fruit cups / Non-chocolate granola bars / Assorted chips / To-go spoons wrapped in plastic

Emergency Food Pantry: When you buy something for your household, buy an extra for the Pantry! Or choose from the following ~

Cereal / Pop Tarts / Chef Boyardee or similar spaghetti, beefaroni, etc / Soups / Mac & cheese / Hamburger Helper / Tuna Helper / Canned Fruits & Vegetables / Peanut Butter / Heavy Duty Paper Grocery Bags

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

- > Exodus 12:1-14 > Psalm 149
 - > Romans 13:8-14 > Matthew 18:15-20
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