



Welcome to Worship at

CHRIST

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Encounter Christ Grow Disciples Serve Others

Transforming Lives in the Love of Jesus Christ

February 10, 2019

8:30 a.m.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

SCOUT SUNDAY

MEDITATION - *I pray that you may have power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God* -Ephesians 3:18-19

*please stand if you are able

GATHERING

PASTORAL GREETING
PRELUDE

Gloria Dei
C. Dobrinski

"Triumphant Journey"

(Please use this time to prepare your heart for worship.)

ENTRANCE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord for all he has done.

People: Let us praise God for all he has given.

Leader: The blessings of the Lord are all around us.

People: We will worship God with songs of grateful praise.

*OPENING HYMN "For the Beauty of the Earth" No. 92

OPENING PRAYER

Liturgist: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Liturgist: Let us pray together.

People: Lord, receive our worship and praise. We are grateful for your many good gifts, O God. We are blessed and eager to be a blessing to others. Meet us here and mold us into the people you need. Send us out to serve wherever your love wants to move. Amen.

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Ephesians 3:14-19

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Reader: This is the Word of God for us.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Filled with the Fullness of God" Pastor Nicholson

*HYMN "O Spirit of the Living God" No. 539

THE CONGREGATION'S PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, forgive us of our sins. We have failed to do what is right and done what is wrong. We have hurt others, and ourselves, and your world. Our words have wounded when they could have healed. Our attitudes have caused division when they could have united. Our actions have served ourselves when you needed us to be serving others. Forgive us and renew us. Fill us with your presence and guide us by your Spirit. May our lives come to honor you and bring glory to your Son, in whose name we pray. Amen.

PERSONAL CONFESSION in silence with organ/piano meditation

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

I John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*THE PEACE

BRINGING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

(You may complete a prayer card in the pew rack in front of you and place it in the offering plate or hand it to one of our pastors.)

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

No. 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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THE LORD'S PRAYER – use "trespasses"

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GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

(Today we serve communion by intinction. Remain in your pew until directed by the ushers. When you come forward, take the bread (gluten free is available), dip it into the cup, and consume both the bread and juice together. You may kneel at the altar rail in prayer after receiving the elements, or return directly to your seat. In the tradition of Wesley's "singing communion," we invite you to sing the following hymns from "The Faith We Sing" hymnal...**2265** and **2264**, **2266** and **2267**)

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

No. 89

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Ephesians 3:20-21

*POSTLUDE

(If you are able, please remain in the pews briefly for the postlude.)

+ Triumphant Journey is the story of persevering hope and faith. The optimistic main theme depicts a person's walk through life. Then, the main theme is altered, and in a minor key, to musically represent the difficulties of life. The third section contains a new theme underneath a steady walking figure in the high bells. This new theme is strong, yet sweet, and symbolic of help from God - "The most ancient God is a place of safety; the eternal arms are a support" Deut. 33:27a. The return of the joyful first theme ends the piece triumphantly, symbolizing the decision to walk life with God.

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- Copies of this morning's message are available on the distribution table between the doors as you leave the lobby.
- Would you like a chance to discuss and further reflect on your daily readings from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians? Pastor Nicholson will be leading a discussion, in the Lounge, during Sunday School, during this sermon series.
- Daily readings in preparation for next week's message on Ephesians 4 are available from the ushers at the close of the service.
- Need to catch up on the daily readings? Links to each week's readings can be found under the Worship section of the CUMC website.



Today's sanctuary flowers are presented by

Gloria Woodland in loving memory of her husband, David Woodland, on the 28th year of his passing.
And
The Loscalzo Family in celebration of Celeste's mom, Betty Boston's, 94th birthday.

Liturgists: 8:30— Marge Kramer and Holly Harrison
11:00— Lucy Chelton

Acolytes: 8:30— Tomoki Weir 11:00— Vanessa Blissman

Greeters: 8:30— Suzanne Williams, Marge Kramer, Natalie Hammell, and Lindsay Duplicki
11:00— Bob & Barb Tibbits, Abigail McCartney, and Belle Chelton

Lay Readers: 8:30— Brandon Wolkey 11:00— Audrey McCartney

Sound Technicians: 8:30— Steve Fallows 11:00— Steph Shuey

Nursery Volunteers: 8:30— Liz Zearfos and Brent or Emily Geesaman
9:45— Alicia Sehn
11:00— Diane Bresser and Nadene Stauffer

Circuit Kids: Kathy Barlick and Micha Kohl

Communion Steward: Jill and Ellia Benschouk

Ushers: 8:30—Jim Hare, Tony Trifiletti, Jeff Baer, Mark Stauffer, John Sullivan, Sharon Moran, and George Harrison.

11:00—Glenn McCrea, Al Scott, Geneane Yourl, Scott Blissman, Sakon Dennis, Barb Gingrich, Emily Kralik, and Henry Barlick.

Dave Williams is this month's captain.

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www.cumclansdale.org —and click on Meet Our Staff!

Welcome to Worship

Members, Regular Attendees, and Visitors, please fill out the attendance sheet in the teal folder at the end of your pew. Pass the folder to your fellow worshipers then return it to the center aisle. **First Time Visitors:** please complete a blue "CONNECT" card in the pew rack in front of you; it may be placed in the offering plate. Also, pick up a Welcome Packet at the Welcome Table before you leave. If you have special needs, please see one of our ushers.

Christ UMC offers a staffed nursery from 8:30am until after the 11am service, in room 21, in the preschool hallway. Children, birth through 4 years old, can be dropped off and picked up as needed throughout the morning. If you would rather keep your child with you, an unstaffed space, in rooms 15-17, is available in case you need a diaper change, a quiet place to rock, or some space to move around. The worship service is broadcast through a speaker.

Please Be In Prayer For...

Amanda Hare

*indicates newly added

Financial Information: Special Offerings...

Mission of the Month:

February— **Center Point Training Center** **\$677.00**

January—**Helping Hand Fund** **\$4010.00**

Attendance - February 3, 2018 8:30: **92** 11:00: **154**

Special Happenings This Week at Christ United Methodist Church...

Today:

Scout Sunday
Free Stuff and Lost & Found Tables in the Lobby
After 1st Service— Meatball Sale in the Kitchen
6pm— General Conference Conversation in Rose Garden 107 (The General Conference of the United Methodist Church will hold a special session, February 23-26, to consider motions concerning our positions on human sexuality, marriage and ordination. Pastor Nicholson will be facilitating discussions on the issues facing them)
6:30pm— Preschool Board Meeting in the Lounge

Monday, February 11:

11:15am— Deborah Circle at Mitzvah Circle (Meet at the church at 11:15am. Bring lunch. Will travel to Mitzvah Circle, in Harleysville, together.)

Wednesday, February 13:

8:30am— Men's Breakfast Group at West Main Diner

Sunday, February 17:

9:30am— College Box Packing in the Kitchen
12pm— Mission Committee Meeting in Reichley Room

Announcements

- **Are you considering joining Christ UMC?** A New Members Class will be held on Sunday, Feb. 24, 12:15-4:30pm in Rooms 104-106 in Fellowship Hall. Lunch will be provided. Grow your faith, meet new people, and learn more about Christ UMC and its ministries and missions. Contact one of the pastors or the office by Feb. 17 to register.
- **Valentines Day:** If you plan on taking your Valentine somewhere we have some **gift cards** that would help you. We still have some Applebee's and Regal gift cards if you want to do dinner and a movie. If you just want to surprise someone with a little treat or lunch, we have Starbucks, Panera and Bath and Body Works gift cards available as well.
- **United Methodist Night with the Philadelphia 76ers:** We will enjoy fellowship together while watching and cheering our home team, as they take on the Orlando Magic, on March 5th. We have upper level seats, for \$34, available. Please sign-up on the kiosk in the lobby, or contact the church office, to reserve your spot, by Thursday, February 14th.
- **Prison Ministry Pen Pals:** Jan Gratz is waiting for the list of Pen Pals from the Prison Society. As soon as she has the names, she will contact the members of our congregation who expressed interest in writing. If there are any additional persons who are interested contact the office.
- The East District annual **Tools for Ministry** training will take place on Saturday, March 2, at Bensalem UMC, 4300 Hulmeville Rd. A wide variety of classes will be offered for laity. Online registration and course information can be found at <https://www.eiseverywhere.com/tfm19east>. (Course information can also be found in the lobby kiosk.) Sign-in begins at 8am, workshops are at 9am and 11am, and a lunch and farewell is at 1pm. Registration is \$10. We will carpool.
- A **Prayer Vigil** for General Conference will be held from Saturday, February 23, through Monday, February 26. Pick one or more half hour time slots on Signup Genius. You may come to the church to pray during hours the church is regularly open or pray from wherever you are. More than one more person may sign up for any slot. We will be joining with UM's from all around the world, in praying for our church, as General Conference considers matters of human sexuality, marriage, ordination and unity.
- December—March the Montgomery County Health Department declares "**Code Blue**" if night time temperatures are 20° or below. When this occurs, volunteers and shelter space at Trinity Lutheran Church, are ready to provide overnight shelter to North Penn area homeless men. Both male and female volunteers are needed to staff the shelter from 7:30pm to 9:00am, in three shifts. Anyone who would like to help out can sign up for time slots through the dedicated Code Blue page on the church website TrinityLansdale.com.

