

Welcome to Worship



Transforming Lives in the Love of Jesus Christ

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 14, 2024

3rd Sunday of Easter

11:00 a.m.

Great Day of Ringing

The asterisk(*) indicates for you to stand, only if you are able.

GATHERING

(As we gather, please take this time to prepare your heart for worship.)

GATHERING WORSHIP

Fish Food

PASTORAL GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEDITATION

Adam Hamilton

"God's primary way of answering prayer is working in and through us and others, empowering us and leading us into action."

PRELUDE

"Morning Has Risen"

arr. M.L. Fast
Alleluia Ringers

ENTRANCE

*CALL TO WORSHIP[^]

Leader: You, Lord, are forgiving and good, abounding in love to all who call to you. Hear my prayer, Lord; listen to my cry for mercy.

People: When I am in distress, I call to you, because you answer me. Among the gods there is none like you, Lord; no deeds can compare with yours.

Leader: All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, Lord; they will bring glory to your name.

People: For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God.

Leader: Teach me your way, Lord, that I may rely on your faithfulness; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name.

All: I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart; I will glorify your name forever.

*OPENING HYMN

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

No. 62 (v. 1-5)

OPENING PRAYER

Oh Lord our God, we praise your holy name and give thanks for the blessings you have bestowed upon us. Help us to see past our differences as we join together as one people with one purpose, to worship you. May our very lives bring you glory as we strive to follow you all the days of our lives. In Jesus' name, amen.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM

"Praise His Name in the Dance"

D. Hakes
Gloria Dei

CHRIST KIDS' ARTWORK CORNER

Prayer is how we talk to God. What do you look like when you pray? Can you draw a picture of yourself praying?

Reader: This is the Word of God for us.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

For children 4 years to 5th grade. At this time, they can exit through the back of the sanctuary where they will participate in a children's sermon, prayers, and offering together. They can then be picked up in the preschool hallway at the end of worship.

MESSAGE

Rev. Zachary Hopple

The Lord's Prayer Series: "Our Father, Who Art in Heaven, Hallowed Be Thy Name"

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

"Blessed Jesus, At Your Word"

J.W. Kerr

Laudate Ringers

RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

*THE PEACE - *Let us offer signs of peace, reconciliation, and love with one another.*

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

CONFIRMATION MOMENT

Torin Mathis

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND PRAYERS TO GOD+

Tithes, offerings, and gifts can be made electronically or mailed to the church office. If you are joining us virtually, please take this opportunity to sign-in on our website.

OFFERTORY

"Seek Ye First"

K. Lafferty, arr. P. Bettcher

Melody Chimes

Please use this time for personal reflection as we consider how we can give of ourselves back to God.

*DOXOLOGY

No. 94

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*OFFERING PRAYER

God our Provider, we come before you with hearts of gratitude, thankful for your abundant blessings as your provision sustains us day by day. As we offer these gifts of our tithes and offerings, we acknowledge that all we have comes from your hand. May we be faithful stewards of your blessings, sharing with those in need and trusting in your continual care. May the offering of these our gifts be a reflection of your kingdom, and may our gifts magnify your greatness. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN

"How Great Thou Art"

No. 77

*DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

"When We Are Living (Somos del Señor)"

K. McChesney

Agape Ringers

Use this time to reflect on the service as you prepare your heart for a week with Jesus, or take this time to exit the sanctuary and take the love of Jesus wherever you go.

Please Be In Prayer For...(*indicates newly added)

Charlene Lewis Dale Nice Kathy Empson The Guenther family Fred Wynne

Liturgist: 8:30am - Sarah Hamill	11:00am - Nancy Shane
Scripture Reader: 8:30am - Sue Weir	11:00am - Wendy Beatty-Burg
Acolyte: 8:30am - Sarah Hamill	11:00am -
In-House Vocalist: Kathy Empson & Peg Carter	
Nursery Caregiver: Kim Henning & Kayla King	
Nursery Adult: 8:30am - Iain Campbell	9:45am - Lucinda Gunn 11:00am - Judi Plummer
Children's Worship Volunteer: Melissa Sesi	

^Psalm 86:5-12

Preparing for Worship

Use the week's liturgical scriptures and questions to help prepare you for worship. Next week's are available if you want to look ahead.

This week's: Acts 3:12-19; Ps 4 (UMH 741); 1 John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36b-48

Worship Question: Are there subjects or wishes you tend to avoid praying about, for fear God isn't interested or that God might disapprove of your concern? How secure are you in talking to God in prayer about everything that matters to you?

Next week's: Acts 4:5-12; Ps 23 (UMH 754 or 137); 1 John 3:16-24; John 10:11-18

Worship Question: What does it mean for God's will to be done?

Welcome to Worship



Members, Regular Attendees, and Visitors: please scan the QR code or fill out the attendance slip to record your attendance. Slips may be placed in the offering plates or the basket by the Sanctuary entrance.

First Time Visitors: Please complete a blue "CONNECT" card in the pew rack in front of you; it may be given to the usher or placed in the offertory plates. We invite you to pick up a Welcome Packet at the Welcome Table before you leave.

Children are welcome to stay in worship with you. Additionally, Christ UMC offers a **staffed nursery** for children ages birth through 4 years old during the 8:30 and 11 am worship services in room 130, in the preschool hallway. An **unstaffed space**, in rooms 120-122 across from the cafe, is available in case you need a quiet place to rock your

child or some space to move around. The worship service is broadcasted through a speaker.

If you have special needs or need help locating any of these spaces, please see one of our ushers.

Mask Required Zone: Please remember that the area under the balcony and in the balcony are mask required zones during worship.



CHRIST KIDS' ARTWORK CORNER

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Contact Us!

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See our full staff list on our website. Click on "Meet our Staff."

A special thank-you to all who help make the worship services possible!!

+Electronic Giving is an easy way to ensure that your gifts are reaching the church even when you cannot be present yourself. Visit our church website (www.cumclansdale.org) and click the "Donate" tab in the left column to set up your online giving. You are also welcome to mail your offering to the church.

++If you have a prayer request you can email it to the prayer chain (prayers@cumclansdale.org) or directly to the pastor.

+++To hear the sermon again or to listen to any sermons you may have missed, please visit our website and click "Sermon Audio", under the "[Online Worship](#)" tab.

Sign up for Weekly Emails: please visit our website and click "events-sign-ups" look for "CUMC EMAIL ANNOUNCEMENT LIST SIGN UP".

Announcements

For more detailed information of each event check out our [weekly emails](#) or www.cumclansdale.org under Events/Sign Ups and Upcoming Events. The QR code will take you directly to the page.

- **Worship Attendance** - Please scan the QR code in the "Welcome to Worship" section of the bulletin every week to record your attendance at worship services. Or, complete an attendance slip and place it in the offering plate or in the basket by the sanctuary entrance.
- **Evening Worship** - Evening Worship will begin on April 21, 2024! Join us at 6:00 PM on the first and third Sundays of each month! Please note that things will look a little bit different this year, as we are trying something different for Evening Worship. We will be primarily inside this year, but you may want to bring a chair as there will be times we are worshipping outside! We hope to see you there!
- **Vacation Bible Camp** - Registration for Vacation Bible Camp is open! Join us for Camp Firelight from July 15th-19th. We will have a morning session from 9-Noon and an evening session from 6-8:30. Use the dinosaur QR code to the right to register your child for VBC! Don't wait—spots are sure to fill up fast!
- **Youth FUNDrive Fundraiser** - Clean out your closets, the youth are having a fundraiser! Please bring any unwanted or unneeded items that still have life in them to the church. The youth are partnering with a group that will donate funds to the youth group based on the number of pounds of items we collect. Clothing, shoes, accessories, housewares, books, you name it—let someone else love your stuff, because the most sustainable stuff on Earth is the stuff that already exists! Look for the collection area in the narthex. We will be collecting until mid-May.
- **March to End Gun Violence** - April 21, 2024, 1-2:30 pm. Zion Mennonite Church, Souderton, is hosting events surrounding the need to End Gun Violence. The 1.3 mile downtown march will conclude with letter writing to legislators to advocate for common sense gun laws. The Memorial to The Lost that was installed at Christ UMC in August 2023 will be on display. The march will be similar to what occurred in downtown Lansdale in May 2023, when the march commenced and ended at Trinity Lutheran Church. Any who want to end gun violence are welcome to attend and march. The event will be held rain or shine. For a one page info flyer, email mikeford@zionmennonite.org. Search out Warren Shuey, 610-454-8803/warren.shuey@prodigy.net for any information. Sponsored by Heeding God's Call to End Gun Violence.
- **Torin Mathis Confirmation Project** - For my confirmation project, I have chosen to collect goods and raise funds for the organization Fostering Hope PA, located in Pottstown. Fostering Hope PA is a volunteer-run, donation-based 501 (c)(3) organization that serves the foster care community in Montgomery County to empower youth experiencing foster care, nurture families, and restore dignity to every child they serve. There will be two components to my project. The first will be collecting monetary donations. The second will be collecting items to be donated to their Foster Share Closet. Needed items (must be either good to new quality): Baby Gear, Clothing, Toys, Books. I will be in the narthex on Sunday, April 21st and 28th to collect items and donations, as well as talk with you more about this incredible organization. In the meantime, I have provided my fundraising page QR code, should you choose to contribute or maybe just learn more about Fostering Hope PA's mission. Thank you, in advance, for your interest and support. I look forward to seeing you soon!
- **Friendly Seniors Change to Meeting Start Time** - Please note that the starting time for the Friendly Seniors Travelogue and Luncheon on Wednesday, April 17th, has been changed to 12:00 noon.
- **Annual Indoor Yard Sale** - Join us in fellowship hall on Saturday, April 20th from 9 AM-1 PM. Many vendors! Come get household items, jewelry, collectibles, baseball cards, books, CD's, children's items, toys, dolls, wall pictures, depression glass, crocheted items, vintage floral feed sacks, quilted items, Hallmark, and so much more! Food will be available for purchase.
- **Adopt a Flower Bed** - The Trustees are asking for people to maintain the flower beds around the church and parsonage. If you adopt a bed, please maintain it for a neat and clean look. If you would like to adopt a bed or need information, contact Robin Bresser (robinbresser@yahoo.com). You can also sign up on the kiosk in the narthex.
- **Mission of the Month** - Our March Mission of the Month was UMCOR, total collected: \$3092.50. Our April Mission of the Month is Dallas Indian Mission UMC.

Who is in the Lobby: Preschool Pouches collection

Upcoming Events: Sun 4/14: Youth Group

Mon 4/15: Staff Mtg, Perky Promenaders, Jesus in the Gospel, Butterflies T-Grp, Four-Eyed Guys T-Grp

Tues 4/16: Finance Mtg, Men's Reading Group (Hybrid), Daniel Bible Reading Grp, Kaleidoscope Grp, Gloria Dei Reh, Journeys in Faith Women's T-Grp, Jazz Grp Reh

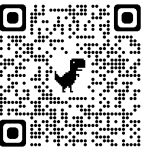
Wed 4/17: Paula Miller Visitation (10 am) & Service (11 am), Friendly Srs Mtg, GriefShare, Fellowship Friends T-Grp, Various Music Grp Rehearsals

Thurs 4/18: SPRC Mtg, Fish Food (Adult Praise Band) Rehearsal

Fri 4/19: CHURCH BUILDING CLOSED, No Laudate Ringers, Yard Sale Set Up

Sat 4/20: Indoor Yard Sale

Sun 4/21: Youth Parents Safe Sanctuary Mtg, Youth Group



VBC Registration



Fostering Hope

62 All Creatures of Our God and King

Unison

1. All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us
 2. O broth-er wind, air, clouds, and rain, by which all crea-tures ye sus-
 3. O sis-ter wa-ter, flow-ing clear, make mu-sic for thy Lord to
 4. Dear moth-er earth, who day by day un - fold-est bless-ings on our
 5. All ye who are of ten-der heart, for - giv-ing oth-ers, take your

Harmony *Unison*

sing, O praise ye! Al-le - lu - ia! O broth-er sun with
 tain, O praise ye! Al-le - lu - ia! Thou ris-ing morn, in
 hear, Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! O broth-er fire who
 way, Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! The flowers and fruits that
 part, O praise ye! Al-le - lu - ia! Ye who long pain and

Refrain (Harmony)

gold-en beam, O sis-ter moon with sil-ver gleam!
 praise re-joice, ye lights of eve-ning, find a voice!
 lights the night, pro-vid-ing warmth, en-hanc-ing sight, O praise ye!
 in thee grow, let them God's glo-ry al-so show!
 sor-row bear, praise God and on him cast your care!

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PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

Unison

O praise ye! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

How Great Thou Art

1. O Lord my God! when I in awe-some won-der
 2. When through the woods and for-est glades I wan-der,
 3. And when I think that God, his Son not spar-ing,
 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion

con - sid - er all the *worlds thy hands have made,
 and hear the birds sing sweet - ly in the trees;
 sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;
 and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.

I see the stars, I hear the *roll - ing thun - der,
 when I look down from loft - y moun-tain gran - deur
 that on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly bear - ing,
 Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o - ra - tion,

thy power through-out the un - i - verse dis - played.
 and hear the brook, and feel the gen - tle breeze;
 he bled and died to take a - way my sin;
 and there pro - claim, my God, how great thou art!

Refrain

B \flat B \flat ⁹ E \flat B \flat

Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God to thee; how great thou

11 F⁷ B \flat B \flat B \flat ⁹ E \flat

art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God to

B \flat Cm G Cm F⁷ B \flat

14 thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!