



Transforming Lives in the Love of Jesus Christ

November 16, 2025

ORDER OF WORSHIP

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

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 (11:00)

PASTORAL GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRIST KIDS' ARTWORK CORNER

Today's Scripture tells stories of sheep, coins, and people who had been lost but were then found! Have you ever lost something? Did you find it? Can you draw a picture of something that you lost and how you found it?

MEDITATION

Michael B. Curry

"As the story unfolds, it is clear that the parable is more about the determined, compassionate, infinite providence of God than it is about the ways of God's prodigal children."

PRELUDE

Melody Chimes (8:30)

Jesus Jammerz (11:00)

"Be Thou My Vision" arr. R.E. Horton

"Soul on Fire"

Third Day

ENTRANCE

*CALL TO WORSHIP[^]

Leader: As a shepherd seeks a lost sheep,

People: so God seeks and saves the lost.

Leader: Like a woman who searches for a lost coin until it is found,

People: so God rejoices over one soul restored to wholeness.

Leader: As a father receives a returning wayward son,

People: so God welcomes us, and lets the past be the past.

Leader: Therefore let us praise God in thanksgiving that we are received.

People: Let us receive and welcome and rejoice over one another in the name of Jesus Christ.

*OPENING HYMN

"Amazing Grace"

No. 378

OPENING PRAYER

Persistent God, as the day begins and the light increases, let me drink deeply of your grace. As the day unfolds, when my heart strays from you, call me back to this moment. Come after me as surely as a woman searches for treasure lost. Make us glad in our salvation, so that we may share this good news with friends and neighbors and with all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir (8:30)

Cherub Choir (11:00)

"Be the Light of Christ" W. Cameron

"As a Child, I Give Thanks to the Lord" T. Wilson

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP (11:00)

For children 4 years to 5th grade. At this time, they can exit through the back of the sanctuary where they will participate in scripture, a children's sermon, prayers, and offering together. Children can be picked up in the preschool hallway after the service ends.

SCRIPTURE LESSON - Luke 15:1-10

readers, David Landolt (8:30) & Judy Yoder (11:00)

Reader: This is the Word of God for us.

People: Thanks be to God.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
SILENT TIME OF CONFESSION
WORDS OF ASSURANCE

1 Timothy 1:15

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners
Leader: Hear the good news! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

*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.

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

"Parable of the Lost Sheep"

S. Gay

Katie Campbell, organ

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

*DOXOLOGY

No. 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.**

*OFFERING 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.

HOLY COMMUNION (8:30)

No. 15

In the tradition of Wesley's "singing communion", we invite you to sing the following hymns:

No. 339 **"Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast"**, No. 340 **"Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy"**,
No. 357 **"Just as I Am, Without One Plea"**

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN

"Come Back Quickly to the Lord"

No. 343

*DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

"Parable of the Lost Coin"

S. Gay

Katie Campbell, organ

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)

Dale Nice

Kathy Empson

Carol Wynne

Liturgist: 8:30 - Terence Hamill

11:00 - Torin Mathis

Nursery Adults: 8:30 - Anna Shelton, Kristi Weatherwax

9:45 - Christina Gieske, Kristi Weatherwax

11:00 - Justin Krol, Diane Bresser

Children's Worship: Kathy Barlick

[^]BOW 454, Ruth Duck, U.S.A., 20th Century., Alt ^{^^}By Kristian Stanfill & Matthew West

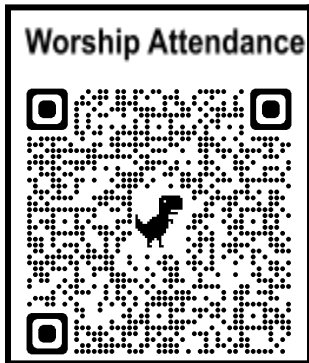
Preparing for Worship Use the week's liturgical scriptures and questions to help prepare you for worship. Next week's are available if you want to look ahead.

This week's: Isa 65:17-25; Isa 12 (UMH 839); 2 Thes 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-19

Worship Question: Have you ever lost something important to you? How did that feel? And if you found it, how did it feel to recover what had been lost?

Next week's: Jer 23:1-6; Luke 1:68-79 (UMH 208); Col 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43
Thanksgiving Day: Deut 26:1-11; Ps 100 (UMH 821); Phil 4:4-9; John 6:25-35
Worship Question: What is a change you could make to improve your faith life?

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.

CHRIST KIDS' ARTWORK CORNER



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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.

- **Christ's Kids Volunteers** - We are looking for leaders ages 18+ to serve in our nursery ministry once a month. Volunteering is fun, rewarding, and flexible! Contact Pastor Tawny if interested!
- **Seasonal VBC Needs** - As you wrap your holiday gifts this year, don't toss those empty wrapping paper tubes! We're collecting them now for our Vacation Bible Camp crafts this July. Set them aside and drop them off at the church office any time this season. We also will be collecting long tissue boxes. Thank you for thinking ahead and giving these simple items a second life in ministry!
- **Advent Book Study** - This Advent season, join us weekly beginning Monday, December 1st to study the book *Come, Though Long Expected Jesus* by Andy Langford and Ann Langford Duncan. For four weeks, together we'll journey through the Bible and enjoy fresh views of familiar Christmas stories. We'll meet on Zoom at 8:30 AM. To participate and to receive the Zoom link, contact Marge Kramer marge.kramer@cumclansdale.org. We'll purchase the book on our own—it's available from Amazon and other sources.
- **Dementia Program at CUMC** - All are welcome to join us Mon., Nov. 17th at 7 PM for an interactive 60-minute Information Session to learn more about living with dementia and the small things you can do to show support to the members of your community. After the session you will be able to: describe dementia and know the most common type, identify early signs & symptoms, & effectively communicate with a person living with dementia. Contact the church office for more information or to RSVP (encouraged but not required).
- **Manna Food Drive Next Sun., Nov. 23rd, 8 AM - 12 PM** - 8 AM - 12 PM in the narthex. Most immediate needs: Flour, Sugar, Baking Powder, Baking Soda, Cereal, Soup, Tomato Sauce (for pasta), Asian Noodles, Hygiene Products, Dried Fruit, Canned Meats, Condiments, Rice Sides, Pasta Sides, Granola/Breakfast Bars, White/Brown Rice, Raisins
- **Wreaths Across America** - Please come and join us for the Wreaths Across America ceremony on **Sat., Dec. 13th at 12 noon at the Orvilla Road Cemetery** in Hatfield on Orvilla Road. We have about 12-14 Veterans at this cemetery, from the Civil War up to the Korean Conflict. If you would like to **purchase a wreath, the cost is \$17**. Pastor Zach presides over a service where we honor the memory of these vets, read their names, and place a wreath on each veteran's grave. Visit the church website events page for more info. Thank you! Questions, contact Jean Davis.
- **Get Ready for Santa!!** - Santa Claus is coming to our annual Breakfast with Santa on **Sat., Dec. 13th, 2025**, from 8 AM - 10:30 AM. While you enjoy pancakes, sausage and hot chocolate (with a gluten-free option), you'll have a chance to talk to Santa and have your picture taken with him! It will be a great time, and it continues to be affordable for all: \$3 for adults, \$2 for children under 12 (children 2 and under are free) with a maximum of \$10 per family. Tickets will be available at the door - don't miss this wonderful family event. We also need volunteers for this event! We're looking for **servers, set up and clean up** crews - check out our sign up on the church website or kiosk.
- **Mission of the Month** - Oct. MOTM: CUMC Loan Fund, \$7498. Nov. MOTM: Heifer International

Who is in the Lobby: Christ's Kids T-shirts for kids & adults

Upcoming Events:

Sun 11/16: Children's Christmas Pageant Rehearsal, Mission Committee Mtg

Mon 11/17: Staff Mtg, Surviving the Holidays, Dementia Program

Tues 11/18: Evening Fellowship, Finance Mtg

Wed 11/19: Friendly Srs

Thurs 11/20: Red Cross Blood Drive, SPRC Mtg

Sat 11/23: Manna Food Drive, Youthpalooza (Bells, Choir, Drop-In: D&D Starts)

150th Anniversary Events

150th Anniversary Tumblers will be available in the office while supplies last.

Thank you for your support and participation for ALL of our 150th Anniversary events!! It was a joy to celebrate with all of you as we honored the legacy of our church, the church that you help contribute to today, and the future yet to come! May God bless you throughout the rest of 2025 and beyond as we continue to transform lives in the love of Jesus Christ!



Amazing Grace

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1. A - maz - ing grace! How sweet the sound that
 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 4. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his
 5. Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail, and
 6. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace hath brought me
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 mor - tal life shall cease, I shall pos - sess, with -
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found; was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved.
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be, as long as life en - dures.
 in the veil, a life of joy and peace.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Cherokee

OOH NAY THLA NAH, HEE OO WAY GEE.
 E GAH GWOO YAH HAY EE.
 NAW GWOO JOE SAH, WE YOU LOW SAY,
 E GAH GWOO YAH HO NAH.

Navajo

NIZHÓNÍGO JOOBA' DITTS' A'
 YISDÁSHÍTÍNÍGÍ,
 LAH YÓÓLÍYÁ, K'AD SHÉNÁHOOSDZIN,
 DOO EESHÍÍ DA NT'ÉE.

Kiowa

DAW K'EE DA HA DAWTSAHY HE TSOW'HAW
 DAW K'EE DA HA DAWTSAHY HEE.
 BAY DAWTSAHY TAW, GAW AYM OW THAH T'AW,
 DAW K'EE DA HA DAWTSAHY H'EE.

Creek

PO YA FEK CHA HE THLAT AH TET
 AH NON AH CHA PA KAS
 CHA FEE KEE O FUNNAN LA KUS
 UM E HA TA LA YUS.

Choctaw

SHILOMBISH HOLITOPA MA!
 ISHMINTI PULLA CHA
 HATAK ILBUSHIA PIA HA
 IS PI YUKPALASHKE.

WORDS: John Newton, 1779; st. 6 anon.; phonetic transcription Cherokee, Kiowa, CREEK, Choctaw as sung in Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference; Navajo phonetic transcription by Albert Tsosi (1 Chr. 17:16-17) AMAZING GRACE CM
 MUSIC: 19th cent. USA melody; harm. by Edwin O. Excell, 1900

There's room for us all at the foot of the cross
 Where perfect love paid every prodigal's cost
 The Saviour is waitin' with the arms open wide
 So leave what's behind you behind

Come to Jesus
 Come to Jesus

INVITATION

Come Back Quickly to the Lord 343

1.-3. Come back quick - ly to the Lord, just come back to the Lord.

Though how grave your sins may be, or how bur - den - some they
 Our Lord waits ev - ery day with his doors kept o - pen
 Though you think that you have sinned and aren't fit to be his

seem, there is no sin he can - not bear, nor
 wide. He is anx - ious - ly wait - ing for you ev - ery
 child, God will cel - e - brate with a big feast, when re -

sin - ner not ac - cept, for the bo - som of our
 day and ev - ery night. The Lord is wait - ing
 pen - tance brings you home. So, come back to his

lov - ing Lord is much great - er than all the skies.
 through the night for a child who has gone a - stray.
 o - pen arms, come back quick - ly un - to the Lord.

WORDS: Young Taik Chun, 1943; trans. by Sang E. Chun and Ivy G. Chun, 1988 (Lk. 15:11-32) KOREA
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