



Transforming Lives in the Love of Jesus Christ

August 17, 2025

ORDER OF WORSHIP

10th 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

Our scripture today talks about many people who followed God faithfully no matter what they faced in life. Can you draw a picture of a Christian you know who has a strong faith? Or can you draw a picture of someone from the Old Testament who was brave?

MEDITATION

Thomas O. Chisholm

"Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou has been, thou forever wilt be."

PRELUDE

"Pavane"

B. Glyncannon

Katie Campbell, organ

ENTRANCE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Hebrews 10:19-23

Leader: Jesus made for us a way for us to worship God with confidence.

People: Let us approach God's throne with boldness and sincere hearts, forgiven by Christ's own sacrifice on the cross.

Leader: And let us hold fast to our faith without wavering

People: For He who has promised is faithful.

*OPENING HYMN

"I am Thine, O Lord"

No. 419

OPENING PRAYER

Jesus, author and perfecter of our faith, move within our worship today. Remind us again of your unfailing love. Strengthen those who have grown weary in the faith and equip us with everything good so that we can do your will. To you be all glory forever and ever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM

"In This Very Room"

R. & C. Harris

David Landolt, voice

Suzanne Williams, piano

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. They can be picked up in the preschool hallway at the end of the service.

SCRIPTURE LESSON - Hebrews 11:29-12:2

readers, Sue Weir (8:30) & Nancy Albacker (11:00)

Reader: This is the Word of God for us.

People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

"By Faith"

Rev. Tawny Bernhardt

HYMN

"Be Still My Soul"

No. 534

RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION
WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hebrews 4:15-16

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

*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

"We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"

arr. D. Cherwien

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. 140 "**Great Is Thy Faithfulness**", No. 170 "**O How I Love Jesus**",

No. 171 "**There's Something About That Name**"

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN

"Victory in Jesus"

No. 370

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

"A Resurrection Fanfare"

L. Smith

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 - Andrew Blissman

Nursery Adults: 8:30 - Bill & Sue Weir, Kristi Weatherwax

9:45 - Gail Schook, Kristi Weatherwax

11:00 - Justin Krol, Kristi Weatherwax

Children's Worship Volunteer: Diana Ricci, Jean Davis

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 5:1-7; Ps 80:1-2, 8-19 (UMH 801); Heb 11:29-12:2; Luke 12:49-56

Worship Question: Who is a faithful disciple of Jesus that you look up to in the faith? How have they impacted you?

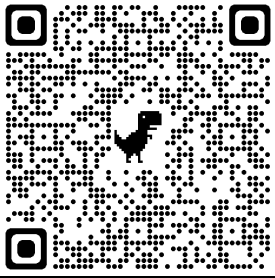
Next week's: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6 (UMH 794); Heb 12:18-29; Luke 13:10-17

Worship Question: The world is changing in remarkable ways. As Dorothy announces in "The

Wizard of Oz, "We're not in Kansas, anymore!" How does a disciple of Jesus live the faith in such a time as this?

Welcome to Worship

Worship Attendance



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 on the pulpit side (to the left as you enter) is a mask required zone.

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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.

- **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!
- **Get Ready to Picnic!** - Mark your calendar: the annual CUMC Picnic is coming up on Saturday, September 6th—rain or shine! This year we'll be celebrating our 150th anniversary, and the Bishop and the DS are scheduled to attend. We'll be open for games as early as 3:30, and we'll start dishing up the potluck at 5. [All potluck dishes must be dropped off in the kitchen by 4:30.] You do not want to miss this, so BE SURE TO SIGN UP! The online sign up is available on the website, and paper sign-ups are available in the lobby. Let's celebrate our blessings together with food, fellowship and fun – see you there!
- **Manna Food Drive Next Sunday, Aug. 24** - 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
- **Women's Retreat** - All women of Christ UMC as well as friends and neighbors are welcome to attend a weekend of rest and renewal at camp Gretna Glen. The retreat will be held at Gretna Glen from Fri., Nov. 7, through Sun., Nov. 9. The retreat is a way to foster fellowship among women who desire to grow closer to God. The theme of the retreat will be From Wonderful to Woeful: Women of the Bible. Each session will focus on a different woman of the Bible and how her story might impact our faith. Visit the church website for more info.
- **Men's Retreat** - The 14th Annual Men's Retreat will be held Nov. 7-9 at Camp Innabah for a 4-part program inspired by Adam Hamilton's Revival: Faith as Wesley Lived It. Phil Newcomer—attorney, life-long Methodist, preacher's kid, Christ Servant Minister, and member of Jarrettown UMC (where his wife, Dorry, serves as the pastor!)—will be leading the weekend for all to learn how the example of John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist movement, can ignite a new flame of faith within all. Prices: \$155 (2 Nights/5 Meals), \$135 (1 Night/3 Meals), or \$75 (Sat. Day/2 Meals) Contact Ed Hartmann to register: 215-896-3399 or edhart3399@gmail.com
- **Family Promise Meals** - Family Promise is coming to Trinity Lutheran Church in Lansdale, and we will be a Buddy Church. We will be providing meals to the guests for part of the month of September. Meals are prepared by you and dropped off at Trinity Lutheran. If you can help with this project, contact Jean Davis 267-218-2569.
- **Summer Musicians** - Instrumentalists, singers, dancers, solos, small ensembles, large groups, all musicians are encouraged at any age and any skill level! If you need an accompanist, just let us know! Visit the church website to sign up! Musicians are needed through August 31st. You can sign up for one or many services.
- **Fall Short-term Bible Study** - Our Tuesday morning short-term Bible study will be resuming in the fall! We will be meeting from 10 AM - 12 PM in fellowship hall beginning October 7th through November 11th! We will be studying Andy Stanley's "Follow." You can purchase this on your own, or place an order through the office. Orders should be submitted by Sept. 16th. Please sign up on the website (Get Involved > Events) or at the kiosk by Sept. 16th. Questions? Contact Jan Schubauer or Judy Yoder.
- **CUMC Artwork Corner for Children, Youth, and Adults!** - Throughout the school year, we have highlighted our preschool artists on Sunday mornings and displayed their artwork in the lobby. Throughout the summer, we want to highlight our children, youth, and adults! Visit the Website Events page (under Get Involved) for information on how it will work, as well as the sign up link!
- **Mission of the Month** - July MOTM: Henderson Settlement, \$TBA. Aug. MOTM: Missionary Workers

Who is in the Lobby: Iron Pigs Tickets for Pick Up, Annual Picnic Sign Ups

Upcoming Events: Sun 8/17: Confirmation Room Painting (12:00 - 4:00 PM)

Mon 8/18: Confirmation Room Painting (1:30 - 4:30 PM)

Tues 8/19: Finance Mtg

Fri 8/22: Caregivers Monthly Mtg

Sat 8/23: 150th Anniversary Iron Pigs Game

Sun 8/24: Manna Food Drive, Guest Preacher Rev. Gary Knerr

150th Anniversary Events

Check the Announcements section, above, for more information about our upcoming **Church Picnic!**

Iron Pigs: check in with Nick in the office if you have any questions about the upcoming game on Sat., Sept. 23rd. Be sure to watch the ballpark board to see our name in lights!

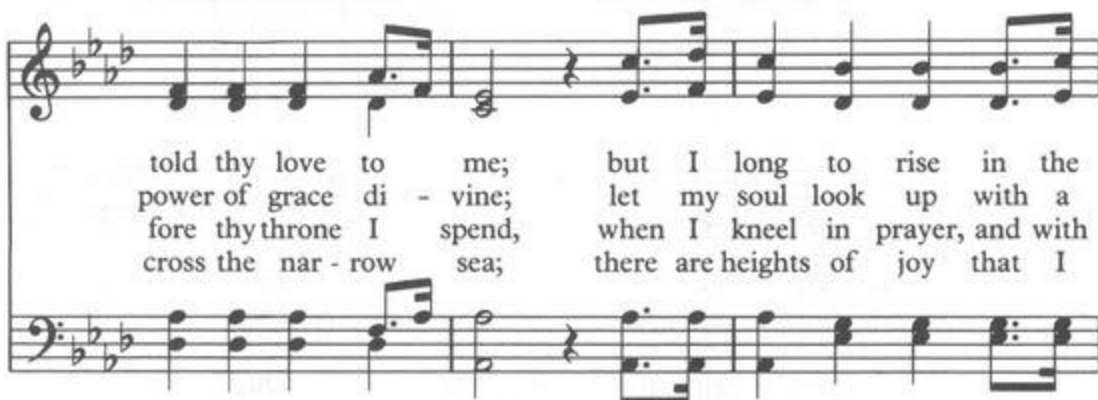
Visiting Preacher: former pastor **Gary Knerr** will be preaching at both services on Sun., Aug. 24th.



I Am Thine, O Lord



1. I am thine, O Lord, I have heard thy voice, and it
 2. Con - se - crate me now to thy ser - vice, Lord, by the
 3. O the pure de - light of a sin - gle hour that be -
 4. There are depths of love that I can - not know till I



told thy love to me; but I long to rise in the
 power of grace di - vine; let my soul look up with a
 fore thy throne I spend, when I kneel in prayer, and with
 cross the nar - row sea; there are heights of joy that I



arms of faith and be clos - er drawn to thee.
 stead - fast hope, and my will be lost in thine.
 thee, my God, I com - mune as friend with friend!
 may not reach till I rest in peace with thee.

Refrain



Draw me near - er, near-er, bless-ed Lord, to the
 near - er, near - er,

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems. The first system contains the lyrics "cross where thou hast died. Draw me near - er, near - er,". The second system contains the lyrics "near - er, bless - ed Lord, to thy pre - cious, bleed - ing side." The music is in B-flat major, indicated by two flats in the key signature. The vocal line is in the treble clef, and the piano accompaniment is in the bass clef. The score uses various musical notations including eighth notes, quarter notes, and rests, with some notes beamed together. The piano part features a steady accompaniment with some chordal textures.

cross where thou hast died. Draw me near - er, near - er,

near - er, bless - ed Lord, to thy pre - cious, bleed - ing side.

Be Still, My Soul

1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side.
 2. Be still, my soul: your God will un - der - take
 3. Be still, my soul: the hour is has - tening on


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Bear pa - tient - ly the cross of grief or pain;
 to guide the fu - ture, as in a - ges past.
 when we shall be for - ev - er with the Lord,

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leave to your God to or - der and pro - vide;
 Your hope, your con - fi - dence let noth - ing shake;
 when dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and fear are gone,

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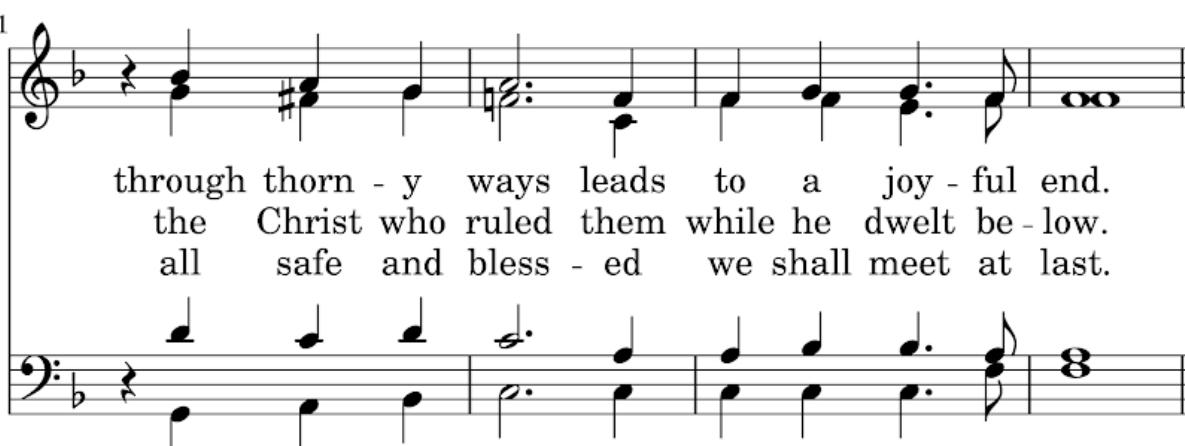
in ev - ery change God faith - ful will re - main.
all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last.
sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re - stored.

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Be still, my soul: your best, your heaven - ly friend
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,

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through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.
the Christ who ruled them while he dwelt be - low.
all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

Victory in Jesus

1. I heard an old, old sto - ry, how a Sav - ior came
 2. I heard a - bout his heal - ing, of his cleans - ing power
 3. I heard a - bout a man - sion he has built for me

from glo - ry, how he gave his life on Cal - va - ry
 re - veal - ing, how he made the lame to walk a - gain
 in glo - ry, and I heard a - bout the streets of gold

to save a wretch like me; I heard a - bout his
 and caused the blind to see; and then I cried, "Dear
 be - yond the crys - tal sea; a - bout the an - gels

groan - ing, of his pre - cious blood's a - ton - ing,
 Je - sus, come and heal my bro - ken spir - it,"
 sing - ing and the old re - demp - tion sto - ry,

then I re - pent - ed of my sins and won the
 and some - how Je - sus came and brought to me the
 and some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of

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 MUSIC: Eugene M. Bartlett, 1939

HARTFORD
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Refrain

vic - to - ry.
 vic - to - ry. O vic - to - ry in Je - sus, my
 vic - to - ry.

Sav - ior for - ev - er! He sought me and bought me

with his re - deem - ing blood; he loved me ere I

knew him, and all my love is due him; he

plunged me to vic - to - ry be - neath the cleans - ing flood.