

# Transforming Lives in the Love of Jesus Christ

**September 28, 2025** 

ORDER OF WORSHIP

16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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

#### <u>GATHERING</u>

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

GATHERING WORSHIP (11:00)

Praise Band

PASTORAL GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRIST KIDS' ARTWORK CORNER

Pastor Graham Truscott grew up at Christ UMC. He felt God calling him to be a pastor when he was just 13 years old. He bravely followed that call. Can you draw a picture of Pastor Graham today? Maybe God will call you to be a pastor, too.

MEDITATION Frederick Buechner<sup>^</sup>

"The place God calls you to is where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet."

PRELUDE "The Quiet Call of Christ"

D. Eliot

Katie Campbell, organ

#### **ENTRANCE**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Adapted from Psalm 91

Leader: Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

People: I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

Leader: Surely the Lord will be with us and rescue us from all we face.

People: The Lord will be our dwelling place.

Leader: Those who call on the Lord, the Lord will answer.

All: The Lord is my God, in whom I trust.

\*OPENING HYMN "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

TFWS<sup>^^</sup> No. 2088

**OPFNING PRAYER** 

Lord, open our hearts to feel your presence. Open our ears to hear your voice speaking into our lives. Open our eyes to see where you want us to move in this world and share your love. Reveal yourself to us this day as we worship you and praise your holy name. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

### **PROCLAMATION**

ANTHEM (11:00) "Jesus Messiah"

arr. H. Sorenson

**Chancel Choir** 

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 - Isaiah 6:1-8 (CEB)

readers, Anna Shelton (8:30) & Lea Koehler (11:00)

Reader: This is the Word of God for us.

People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE "A Place Where God Calls You"

Rev. Graham Truscott

HYMN "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

No. 384

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#### **RESPONSE**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE SILENT TIME OF CONFESSION WORDS OF ASSURANCE

John 1:9

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

\*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.

MISSION OF THE MONTH

**CUMC Loan Fund** 

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** 

"Jesus Calls Us, O'er the Tumult"

H.A. Matthews

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

Thank you God for another opportunity to love you. You have loved us, forgiven us, and called us to love in your name. We answer the call by giving our offerings out of love for you. Use them as you will, let us do your will, and may all our neighbors feel your love because of it. Amen.

\*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. 618 "Let Us Break Bread Together", No. 614 "For the Bread Which You Have Broken",

No. 628 "Eat this Bread"

## **SENDING FORTH**

\*HYMN "Here I Am, Lord"

No. 593

DISMISSAL

**POSTLUDE** 

"Make Me a Servant"

arr. C. Hamlin

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.

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Please Be In Prayer For(*indi	cates newly added)		
Dale Nice	Kathy Empson		Carol Wynne
<b>Liturgist</b> : 8:30 - Jeff Baer	11:00 - Tomoki Weir		
Nursery Adults: 8:30	, Kristi Weatherwax		
9:45	, Kristi Weatherwax	11:00	, lain Campbell
Children's Worship Volunteer:	Carolyn Hadka		

<sup>^&</sup>quot;Wishful Thinking: A Seeker's ABC"

<sup>^^</sup>TFWS is The Faith We Sing, the small, black hymnal found in the pew racks.

**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: Jer 32:1-3a, 6-15; Ps 91:1-6, 14-16 (UMH 810); 1 Tim 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31

Worship Question: What is God calling you to? Is it to do some good? To give something up? To take

something on?

Next week's: Lam 1:1-6; Ps 137 (UMH 852); 2 Tim 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10

Worship Question: Have you ever felt "beyond grace"?

# Worship Attendance

#### 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

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Church Email: secretary@cumclansdale.org

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 (<a href="www.cumclansdale.org">www.cumclansdale.org</a>) 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 (<u>prayers@cumclansdale.org</u>) 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 <u>www.cumclansdale.org</u> 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!
- <u>Do you have an unused church garage key?</u> We are collecting any church garage keys that are no longer in use so that they can be distributed to those with a current need to be in the garage. If you have a garage key that you no longer need or are no longer using, please turn it in to the church office at your earliest convenience. Thanks!
- New Sunday School Class for Adults! We are offering a NEW Sunday school class for adults this year. This class will be structured in a way that you can drop in whenever you are in worship. Each week will be something new so there is no fear in missing key information week to week and no prep required. This class is great for those new to the Bible and for those who have a solid understanding looking for good conversation and fellowship. We will start by looking at various characters in the Bible. We met on Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> for a get to know each other day (with coffee!), and began the study on Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>. This class is led by Lucinda Gunn.
- Manna Food Drive TODAY 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
- <u>College Boxes</u> Send your updated addresses to the church office!! If you are, or have, a college student or military person living away from home or commuting from home this school year, contact the church office with mailing address information so we can send them a goodie box. Contact Judi Plummer with questions.
- <u>Women's Retreat</u> All women of Christ UMC plus 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 will be From Wonderful to Woeful: Women of the Bible. Visit the church website for more info.
- Men's Retreat The 14<sup>th</sup> 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 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
- Women's Tea The Women's Tea will be October 12<sup>th</sup> at noon in the fellowship hall. See us at the table in the narthex to buy your ticket and select your meal!
- Mission of the Month Aug MOTM: Missionaries, \$3,098. Sept. MOTM: Ronald McDonald House

Who is in the Lobby: SWC Women's Tea Tickets, Deborah Circle collection

**Upcoming Events:** 

Sun 9/28: Guest Preacher Graham Truscott, Manna Food Drive

Mon 9/29: Preschool Board Mtg, Books Between Friends

Wed 10/1: GriefShare begins

Thurs 10/2: Healing Prayer Training, Cooking for Manna



## 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Events

**150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tumblers:** Tumblers will be available for pickup in the office beginning Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup> for anyone who preordered and has paid. If you have not yet paid, or would like a tumbler now that they are in, please contact the office. Tumblers are \$15.

# 2088 Lord, I Lift Your Name on High



WORDS: Rick Founds (1 Cor. 15:3-4)

MUSIC: Rick Founds

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LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH

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# 384 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1747 MUSIC: John Zundel, 1870 BEECHER 87.87 D

Alt. tune: HYFRYDOL



# HERE I AM, LORD

