



Transforming Lives in the Love of Jesus Christ

August 16th, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP

12th 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

Suzanne Williams

PASTORAL GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRIST KIDS' ARTWORK CORNER

God loves it when we pray. Can you draw yourself or someone else praying?

MEDITATION

God loves you completely, not for who you ought to be, but for who you are right now. Because the truth is, none of us have it all together.

PRELUDE

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

arr. J. Linker

Suzanne Williams, piano, Katie Campbell, organ

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Loving God, whose voice we hear in the winds, and whose breath gives life to all the world, hear us.

People: We come before you as your children. We are small and weak; we need your strength and wisdom.

Leader: Let us walk in beauty and make our eyes ever behold the red and purple sunset. May our hands respect the things you have made, our ears be sharp to hear your voice.

People: Make us wise, so that we may know the things you have taught your people, the lessons you have hidden in every leaf and rock.

Leader: We seek strength not to be superior to our brothers and sisters, but to live in harmony with ourselves and all of your creation.

All: Help us to be ever ready to come to you, so when life fades as a fading sunset, our spirits may come to you without shame.

*OPENING HYMN

"It's Me, It's Me, O Lord"

No. 352

OPENING PRAYER

UMC Book of Worship No. 467

O Lord our God, you are always more ready to bestow your good gifts on us than we are to seek them, and are willing to give more than we desire or deserve. Help us so to speak that we may truly find, so to ask that we may joyfully receive, so to knock that the door of your mercy may be opened to us; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM

"The Spirit Says Sing!"

arr. R.E. Schram

David Landolt, voice, accomp. Suzanne Williams

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 at the end of the service.

SCRIPTURE LESSON - Psalm 139:1-6, 23-24 (OT p. 577) readers, Susan Mayson (8:30) & Jan Schubauer (11:00)

Reader: This is the Word of God for us.

People: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE

HYMN "God the Sculptor of the Mountains" TFWS^ No. 2060

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WORDS OF ASSURANCE Acts 2:38-39

..repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins.
And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who
are far off-for all whom the Lord our God will call.

*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 "Just As I Am" arr. F. Bock
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.**

NO COMMUNION TODAY

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN "God Will Take Care of You" No. 130

*DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE "Arise, My Soul, Arise!" arr. D. Wood
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	Barb Tibbits	Carol Wynne	Fred Wynne	Warren Shuey
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Liturgist: 8:30 - Sarah Hamill 11:00 - David Landolt

Nursery Adults: 8:30 - Anna Shelton, Belle Chelton

9:45 - Kristen Dolan, Belle Chelton

11:00 - Alice Neil, Belle Chelton

Children's Worship: Melissa Sesi, Jean Davis

^TFWS is The Faith We Sing, the small, black songbook found in the pew racks.

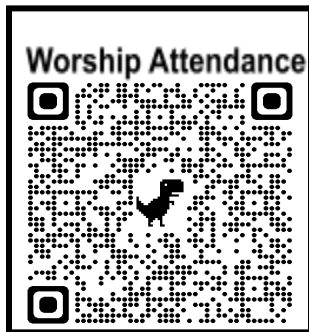
Preparing for Worship Use the week's liturgical scriptures and questions to help prepare you for worship. Next
week's are available if you want to look ahead.

This week's: Gen 45:1-15; Ps 133 (UMH 850); Rom 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matt 15:(10-20), 21-28

Worship Question: Are there times when you struggle to feel worthy of God's love?

Next week's: Exod 1:8-2:10; Ps 124 (UMH 846); Rom 12:1-8; Matt 16:13-20

Worship Question: How easy is it for us as to admit when we do something wrong?



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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Contact Us!

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See our full staff list on our website under "I'm New Here > 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, please visit our website and under "Get Involved > Worship". To hear any sermons you may have missed in the past, visit our YouTube channel (www.youtube.com/@ChristUMCLansdale).

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.

- **Hymn Sing at Harborview Rehab Tomorrow, Aug. 17th** - Remember the songs of your childhood? The ones you sang in Sunday school and vacation Bible school? Join us on Monday, August 17th, at Harborview Rehabilitation and Care Center, 25 W Fifth Street in Lansdale, as we lead the residents in these songs, and more. Parking is limited, so carpooling is helpful. To let us know you'll be participating, sign up on the SignUp Genius that you'll find on our website under Events. We'll gather in the Harborview lobby at 1:20 PM on the 17th. Help us bring some cheer to these homebound residents!
- **Manna Food Drive Next Sunday, Aug. 23rd, 8 AM - 12 PM** - Donations can be dropped in the narthex. Most immediate needs: Granola/Snack/Breakfast bars; Tomato Products (diced, crushed, puree, etc); Tomato/Pasta Sauce (in jars); Asian Noodle (Ramen) in packs not cups; Tuna; Condiments (ketchup, mayonnaise, mustard); Long Pasta (spaghetti, linguine, etc); Canned Chili; Plant-based milks (oat, rice, soy, etc); Sugar, Flour, Baking Powder, Baking Soda; Soups – Beef, Seafood, Bean; Mashed Potatoes; Flavored Instant Mashed Potatoes; Canned Potatoes (sliced, diced, whole, etc); Nuts (Any Kind); Hygiene Products (Body wash, shampoo, conditioner, soap, etc); Instant White Rice, Instant Brown Rice; Rice Sides (Rice A Roni, Knorr products, etc); Pasta Sides (Chef Boyardee, Knorr products, etc)
- **Get Ready to Picnic!** - The annual CUMC Picnic is coming up on Sunday, Sept. 13th, immediately after second service, rain or shine! Don't miss this chance to enjoy food, fellowship, and fun together. It won't be the same without you - be sure to sign up. Online registration is now available on the website. Need help signing up on line? No worries! Contact Sarah Hamill. We look forward to celebrating all of our blessings with you!
- **Fall Short Term Bible Study Beginning Sept. 22nd** - A Fall Short Term Bible Study will begin Tuesday Sept 22, for 8 weeks, 10:30-12:00. Jan Schubauer and Judy Yoder will again be facilitating. We will be using The Life and Ministry of the Messiah by Ray Vander Laan. Books will be available for you for \$10. Please sign up by notifying Judy (jyoder247@gmail.com) or Jan (heybratcat@yahoo.com) by August 31st.
- **Come help with our youth program! We need 2nd adults!** - Each time we have a youth event, we are required to have a trained, clearanced 2nd adult present to keep everyone safe. If you are already Safe Sanctuary certified and would like to help with the youth program, or are interested in becoming certified to qualify as a 2nd adult, please contact Nick Hill at youthdirector@cumclansdale.org. Dinner is very often included!
- **Support the Trustees Capital Fund while you shop! Venmo now accepted!** - Our gift card program offers nearly 30 gift cards for grocery stores, restaurants, retail, and entertainment. Stop by the gift card table after worship to see the available cards and start turning your everyday shopping into support for the Trustees Capital Fund. For your convenience, we now accept Venmo for gift card purchases. Please note: Venmo payments must be made from a bank account linked to your Venmo account, not a credit card, to avoid incurring additional fees to you.
- **Mission of the Month** - July MOTM: Gretna Glen pool house renovation, \$2833
August MOTM: International Ministries - Rev. Dr. Rodney Ragwan

Who is in the Lobby: Grocery Gift Card Sales

Upcoming Events:

Sun 8/16: NO YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL
Tues 8/18: Staff Mtg
Finance Mtg
Sun 8/23: Manna Food Drive
Youth Group

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It's Me, It's Me, O Lord

(Standing in the Need of Prayer)

Refrain

It's me (it's me), it's me, O Lord, stand-ing in the

need of prayer. It's me (it's me), it's

(Hal - le - lu - jah, Lord, it's me!)

Fine

me, O Lord, stand-ing in the need of prayer.

1. Not my broth - er, not my sis - ter, but it's

me, O Lord, stand-ing in the need of prayer.

REPENTANCE

Not my broth - er, not my sis - ter, but it's

me, O Lord, stand - ing in the need of prayer. *D.C.*

2. Not the preacher, not the deacon,
3. Not my father, not my mother,

2060 God the Sculptor of the Mountains



1. God the sculp - tor of the moun - tains,
 2. God the nui - sance to the Pha - raoh,
 3. God the dress - er of the vine - yard,
 4. God the un - ex - pect - ed in - fant,



God the mill - er of the sand,
 God the cleav - er of the sea,
 God the plant - er of the wheat,
 God the calm, de - ter - mined youth,



God the jewel - er of the heav - ens,
 God the pil - lar in the dark - ness,
 God the reap - er of the har - vest,
 God the ta - ble - turn - ing proph - et,



God the pot - ter of the land:
 God the bea - con of the free:
 God the source of all we eat:
 God the re - sur - rect - ed truth:



You are womb of all cre - a - tion,
 You are fount of all de - liv - 'rance,
 You are host at ev - ery ta - ble,
 You are pres - ent ev - ery mo - ment,



we are form - less; shape us now.
 we are sight - less; lead us now.
 we are hun - gry; feed us now.
 we are search - ing; meet us now.

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God Will Take Care of You

1. Be not dis-mayed what-e'er be-tide, God will take care of you;
 2. Through days of toil when heart doth fail, God will take care of you;
 3. All you may need he will pro-vide, God will take care of you;
 4. No mat-ter what may be the test, God will take care of you;

be-neath his wings of love a-bide, God will take care of you.
 when dan-gers fierce your path as-sail, God will take care of you.
 noth-ing you ask will be de-nied, God will take care of you.
 lean, wea-ry one, up-on his breast, God will take care of you.

Refrain

God will take care of you, through ev-ery day, o'er all the way;

he will take care of you, God will take care of you.