

# Welcome to Christ United Methodist Church in Cedar Mill

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10:30 am

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## Welcome and Greeting

## Opening Prayer

## Worship in Song: *“All Creatures of Our God and King”*

1. All creatures of our God and King  
Lift up your voice and with us sing  
O praise ye, alleluia!  
O brother sun with golden beam  
O sister moon with softer gleam  
O praise ye, O praise ye,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2. O sister water, flowing clear,  
Make music for thy Lord to hear,  
O praise ye, alleluia!  
O brother fire who lights the night,

Providing warmth, enhancing sight,  
O praise ye, O praise ye,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3. Let all things their Creator bless  
And worship Him in humbleness  
O praise ye, alleluia!  
Praise praise the Father praise the Son  
And praise the Spirit three in One  
O praise ye, O praise ye,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## Scripture Reading: Genesis 2:15-20 (CEB)

The Lord God took the human and settled him in the garden of Eden to farm it and to take care of it. The Lord God commanded the human, “Eat your fill from all of the garden’s trees; but don’t eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, because on the day you eat from it, you will die!” Then the Lord God said, “It’s not good that the human is alone. I will make him a partner that is perfect for him.” So the Lord God formed from the fertile land all the wild animals and all the birds in the sky and brought them to the human to see what he would name them. The human gave each living being its name. The human named all the livestock, all the birds in the sky, and all the wild animals.

The Word of God for you, the people of God  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Worship in Song: "God of Wonders"

1. Lord of all creation  
Of water earth and sky  
The heavens are Your tabernacle  
Glory to the Lord on high

*God of wonders beyond our galaxy  
You are holy holy  
The universe declares Your majesty  
You are holy holy  
Lord of heaven and earth  
Lord of heaven and earth*

2. Early in the morning  
I will celebrate the light  
When I stumble in the darkness  
I will call Your name by night

*Hallelujah, to the Lord of heaven and earth  
Hallelujah, to the Lord of heaven and earth  
Hallelujah, to the Lord of heaven and earth*

## Prayers of the People

Response to each praise:

One: *We give thanks.*

Many: **Thank you, God.**

Response to each concern:

One: *Lord, have mercy.*

Many: **Christ, have mercy.**

*The Lord's Prayer*

**Message:**

“What Should We Name Them?” — Rev. Ric Shewell

The first creation narrative (Gen 1:1-2:3) emphasizes the inherent goodness of all created things.

The second creation narrative (Gen 2:4-3:24) emphasizes God’s

\_\_\_\_\_ with creation to make things right.

The first task of the human (adam) is to care for creation (Gen 2:15).

Creation was not complete until the human gave names to creation.

Naming declares a \_\_\_\_\_ and responsibility.

“I have called you by name; you are mine.” - Isaiah 43:1

“[The shepherd] calls his own sheep by name and leads them.” - John 10:3

Next steps:

- When we observe the world, we cooperate with the Creator.
- We have a responsibility to love and care for creation.
- God has declared love and responsibility to you. Rest in that relationship.

The Great Thanksgiving & Holy Communion

*The Lord be with you.*

**And also with you.**

*Lift up your hearts.*

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*It is right, and a good and joyful thing...*

*And so, with Your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of Your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the One**

**who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*On the night when Christ handed himself over for our sakes...*

*... as we proclaim the mystery of faith:*

**Christ has died. Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*Pour out your Holy Spirit on us...*

*Through Jesus Christ we pray.*

**Amen.**

*(You may receive the bread and cup you have prepared for this gathering, or at your table.)*

**Worship in Song:**     *“As the Deer”*

As the deer panteth for the water  
So my soul longeth after Thee  
You alone are my heart's desire  
And I long to worship Thee

*You alone are my strength my shield  
To You alone may my spirit yield  
You alone are my heart's desire  
And I long to worship Thee*

**Worship in Song:**     *“If I Were a Butterfly”*

1. If I were a butterfly  
I'd thank You Lord for giving me wings  
If I were a robin in a tree  
I'd thank You Lord that I could sing  
If I were a fish in the sea  
I'd wiggle my tail and I'd giggle with glee  
But I just thank You Father for making me me

3. If I were an elephant  
I'd thank You Lord by raising my trunk  
If I were a kangaroo  
You know I'd hop right up to You  
If I were an octopus  
I'd thank You Lord for my fine looks  
But I just thank You Father for making me me

*For You gave me a heart  
And You gave me a smile  
You gave me Jesus  
And You made me Your child  
And I just thank You Father  
For making me me*

3. If I were a wiggly worm  
I'd thank You Lord that I could squirm  
And if I were a fuzzy wuzzy bear  
I'd thank You Lord for my fuzzy wuzzy hair  
If I were a crocodile  
I'd thank You Lord for my great smile  
But I just thank You Father for making me me

**Benediction Song:**     *“My Friends May You Grow in Grace”*

My friends may you grow in grace,  
And in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior.  
My friends may You grow in grace  
And in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

I pray tonight if we learned from one another,  
May we glorify Him.  
And if the Lord should bring us back together,  
May we be in His arms till then.

*To God be the glory, now and forever  
Now and forever amen.  
To God be the glory, now and forever,  
Now and forever amen.*