

Christ Church United Methodist

October 6, 2019

9:00 and 11:15 am

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Order of Worship

Please silence your cell phone and other electronic devices.

PRELUDE *Blessed Assurance* arr. William Bay
David Catlett, trumpet Deanna Catlett, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP Maria Aren - Ukranian
Maria: God calls us to the feast! Abraham Chol - Dinka
People: **We come to eat the bread of life and drink the cup of salvation, to taste and see that the Lord is good.**
Abraham: God calls us to the feast!
People: **We gather with sisters and brothers around the world to partake in the gospel feast, to celebrate our unity in Christ.**
Maria: God calls us to the feast!
People: **Let us join the celebration. Let us make room at the table.**
All: **Let us worship God!**

*HYMN OF PRAISE *O Church of God, United* Hymn 547

*INVITATION Rev. Brandon Dirks
Pastor: Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore let us confess our sin before God and one another.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON
People: **Jesus prayed that we might be One. One in spirit, One in mission, in union and communion with each other and with You.**
Today, God, we confess fumbings and failures in accomplishing unity, as we set aside yet another day to remind ourselves of the task.
On this World Communion Sunday, give us eyes to recognize your reflection in the eyes of Christians everywhere.
Give us a mind to accept and celebrate our differences.
Give us a heart big enough to love your children everywhere.
We thank you for setting a table with space enough for us all!
(All pray in silence)

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE
Pastor: Hear the Good News. Jesus has indeed come to save us and show us the way to experience God's love. Jesus will strengthen us to the end so that we may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**
All: **Glory to God. Amen.**

OFFERING *(Please sign the attendance pad as it is passed down the pew.)*
9:00 *I Can Tell The World* Moses Hogan
Chancel Choir
11:15 *Prayer of the Children* Andrea S. Klouse
Tenor Leaven
Nicholas Harward, cello

*DOXOLOGY
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

SCRIPTURE *1 Corinthians 10:14-17* Page 161 (NT) in the pew Bible
9:00 Ogedi Omenyinma/Joyce St. Clair
11:15 Abraham Chol/Mark Berlin

SERMON *Living Proof: Room at the Table* Rev. Rebecca Curry

*SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION (See page 24 in the hymnal)

THE LORD'S PRAYER Albert Hay Malotte
Daniel Blosser, soloist
(as sung in French)
Our Father which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP Communion will be served at stations by intinction, the way most Christians around the world receive communion. Receive the bread with open hands, then dip the bread into the juice. We do not drink from a common cup in our tradition. Gluten free elements are available at the altar table. If you are not able to kneel at the rails, please stand or remain in your seat and we will bring the elements to you.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION
O Lord, Hear My Prayer Taizé
O Lord hear my prayer. O Lord hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.
O Lord hear my prayer. O Lord hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.
Benjamin Blosser, soloist
Logan Boyd, piano
Nick Peak, soloist
9:00 Deanna Catlett, piano
11:15 Nicholas Harward, cello

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING COMMUNION
People: **Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*CLOSING HYMN *I Come With Joy* Hymn 617
Stanzas 1, 2, 3 and 5

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Postlude on O Church of God United* ELLECOMBE

*indicates standing as you are able.

Announcements

Thank you to our Signers today: Amy Bagley, Kellyn Boyd, Jane Fishback, Caroline Frederick, Lucy Frederick, Amy Johnson, Julie Johnson, Lauren Jones, Amie Ladd, Samantha Luber, Laura Worth and their instructor, Shannon Seidt.

Special Offering Today's special collection will provide scholarships for U.S. racial and ethnic minority and international students on both undergraduate and graduate levels. Make checks payable to Christ Church indicating "World Communion".

Blessing of the Animals Join us tonight at 6:30 pm for a Service of Blessing of all the special animals in our lives. Bring your pets to the steps in front of the Chapel as we celebrate the blessings that our animals are to us.

Wesley Manor Fall Fundraiser to benefit their Charitable Care Ministry will be held Thursday, October 10 at 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. No charge for dinner, but please come prepared to give generously. Reservations are required by contacting Anita Kuvin at 964-3959 or akuwin@wesman.org.

If you want to learn more about Christ Church, you are invited to **Connect with Christ Church!** This is a two-week series which takes place as part of our Recharge Wednesdays. The next session will be held on October 9 and October 16, from 6:00 to 7:30 pm in room 158. You will learn about how to get connected to the mission and ministries of the church. Visit ccum.net/connect to register or contact Mark Coile at 893-2201 x277 or mark@ccum.net.

Stewart Home & School in Concert at Christ Church Sunday October 13 at 7 pm in Fellowship Hall. Please join us as the students sing a variety of beautiful hymns and play the handbells. The Stewart Home & School is a community of people with intellectual disabilities located in Frankfort, Kentucky.

This Morning The flowers at the altar this morning are given in loving memory of Frances Lee in celebration of her birthday, October 5th by her children, David Lee, Cyndy Burgess, and Karen Vidal and their families.

Our Church Family (as of Wednesday, October 2)

Hospital and Rehab: Terri Lusk [Norton Pavillion]; Don Lancaster [Norton Brownsboro]

Christian Sympathy is extended to: Paul Wedge and family on the death of his mother, Carol Wedge, who died September 24; Jimm Cox on the death of his wife, Sudy Cox, who died September 27; Jean Gaum on the death of her sister, Dottie Lanz, who died September 29.

Presence and Gifts (as of Sunday, September 29)

Worship - 883 Sunday Prepare Groups - 496
New Faith Communities - 118
September Small Group Participants - 488
Contributions Received Week Ending September 29, 2019: \$ 41,636
Budgeted Contributions through September 30, 2019: \$2,308,378
Actual Contributions Received through September 30, 2019: \$2,334,182

Large-print hymnals and bulletins, weighted bulletins and hearing devices and loops are available. Please ask an usher if you need assistance.



Becoming living proof of God's love, one person at a time.

Welcome Guests!

We are honored to worship with you today. No matter where you are in your faith journey, you are welcome here.



We are pursuing a mission of *becoming living proof of God's love, one person at a time*. We walk together on this journey of discovering a different kind of life – the life we were created for – life in God's love.

All are invited to participate in Communion here. We welcome children of all ages into the service and to participate; later in the service children are dismissed for their own time of worship and community.*

Connect With Us

- Fill out the Connect Card and drop it in the offering plate during the service.
- Take home the Guest Information Card in the pew.
- Stop by the Guest Information Area in the Gathering Hall.

*Children's Activities are provided during all services 8 am to 12:15 pm in the Education Wing. See the Guest Services Desks for more information.

-  **Worship** 8:30 am Communion: Prayer Room
9 am: Sanctuary
10:05 am: Chapel
-  **Prepare** 11:15 am: Sanctuary

CareGiver to CareGiver Support Group will meet Monday, October 7 from 3:00 to 4:30 pm in room 253. This is a lay-led group for anyone who cares for a loved one with unique needs: parent, spouse, adult child, sibling, extended family member or friend. Contact Melissa Head at 893-2201 x263 or melissa@ccum.net.

Are you interested in learning more about your gifts? If so, you are invited to join us for **Living Your Strengths**, a three week journey into discovering your unique strengths using the Clifton Strengths Finder assessment. The class will meet on Wednesdays from 6-7:30 pm, October 23-November 6, in room 252. To register, ccum.elexio.church/forms/2019-fall-adult-groupsclasses, or call Mark Coile.

"Writing Your Life Story" is the topic for our October SAM program on Monday October 14. Author Mary Popham will share tips and examples for jogging the memory. Our program begins at 11:30 in Fellowship Hall and lunch follows. Lunch is \$10 and reservations can be made by calling 893-2201 ex 328, or online at www.ccum.net/sam. SAM programs and events are open to all who are interested!

SAM Outing Join SAM in a visit to "The Thrive Center" on October 23. This jewel, located on Market Street, is full of resources and gadgets for living well. After the tour, join us for lunch at Saffron. Be at Christ Church at 9:30. Reservations by 10/17. No charge for the tour, and lunch is on your own.

Grief Support Group led by Rev. Melissa Head: As we grieve the loss of loved ones, we recognize the need for support. Please join us in the Prayer Room on Tuesdays at noon beginning October 15 and ending November 19. Call Alicia Lewis at 882-9967 or email alicia@ccum.net. Childcare is not provided.

Serve

The Mysterious Church Trick or Treat will be on Saturday, October 26, 6-7:30. We need candy (peanut free) and/or small toys, trinkets or notes of affirmation! Please bring them to the baskets at the main receptionist desk or drop them off in the baskets at Youth and Children's Ministry.

OUR MISSION

Becoming living proof of God's love, one person at a time.

OUR VISION

Healing Divides as we:

ENGAGE IN SMALL GROUPS

Becoming who God is calling you to be by experiencing the power and presence of Christ in a spiritually authentic small group.

PLANT NEW FAITH COMMUNITIES

Supporting fresh ways to bring the light of God to new communities of people.

BLESS CHILDREN

Meeting the basic needs of food, shelter, education, hope and love for Louisville's children and adolescents.

OUR STRATEGY



THE FOUR QUESTIONS

WHERE have you seen God's love at work this week?

HOW are you growing in God's love this week?

WHO has God placed in your path that needs to experience God's love this week?

HOW have you demonstrated God's love this week?



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