

Christ Church United Methodist

September 11, 2022

(in-person) 9 am
(live-streamed & in-person) 11:15 am

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost Order of Worship

WELCOME

Rev. Melissa Head

PRELUDE

The Mission/How Great Thou Art
Eva Rouse, cello
Dr. Shawn Dawson, piano

arr. Jon Schmidt, Al van der Beek
and Steven Sharp Nelson

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus we worship you, and we know all authority is yours.

People: You call us to live in faith – wherever we walk, whatever we say and however we act.

Leader: You call us to create peace, build bridges and be united as your faithful followers.

All: Let us worship you this day in faith for you are with us always, day after day, to the very end of the age.
Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Hymn 715

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore;
mortals, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of earth and hell are to our Jesus given.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

Rejoice in glorious hope! Jesus the Judge shall come,
and take his servants up to their eternal home.
We soon shall hear th'archangel's voice; the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We are not alone,
we live in God's world.
We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Hymn 160

Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore,
the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God forevermore.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing.

BAPTISMAL COVENANT

(9:00) Shepherd James King (4/28/2021) son of Cammie and Rob King
(11:15) Alexander Clark Patterson (4/12/2019) and Quentin Thomas Patterson (7/13/2021)
sons of Marilyn and Adam Patterson

Pastor: Members of the household of faith, I commend to your love and care (9:00) Shepherd (11:15) Alexander and Quentin, whom we this day recognize as (a) member(s) of the family of God. Will you endeavor so to live that they may grow in the knowledge and love of God, through our Savior Jesus Christ?

People: With God's help, we will so order our lives after the example of Christ that (9:00) Shepherd (11:15) Alexander and Quentin, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

BAPTISMAL RESPONSE

Hymn 609

You have put on Christ, in Christ you have been baptized.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO PRAYER

In the Lord

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In the Lord I'll ever be thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God, do not be afraid. Lift up your voices, the Lord is near,
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.

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PASTORAL 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.

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC

‡ 9:00

Arise, My Soul, Arise
Chancel Choir Sopranos and Altos
Ray Weaver, violin

Dan Forrest

◇ 11:15

Rise Up, O Church of God
Chancel Choir Tenors and Basses

Kenneth Jennings

*During the Doxology, K-2nd grade are invited to attend Children's Worship.
Children will be returned to the Sanctuary during the closing hymn.*

*DOXOLOGY

Hymn 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.

*SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 4:1-6

(9:00) Ronnie Aten
(11:15) Ricki Ashkettle

SERMON

Everyday Faith

Rev. Dr. Eric Bryant

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*CLOSING HYMN

God Will Take Care of You

Hymn 130

Be not dismayed whate'er betide, God will take care of you;
beneath his wings of love abide, God will take care of you.

Refrain:

God will take care of you, through every day, o'er all the way;
he will take care of you, God will take care of you.

Through days of toil when heart doth fail, God will take care of you;
when dangers fierce your path assail, God will take care of you. [Refrain]

All you may need he will provide, God will take care of you;
nothing you ask will be denied, God will take care of you. [Refrain]

No matter what may be the test, God will take care of you;
lean, weary one, upon his breast, God will take care of you. [Refrain]

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

Fugue in E-flat, BWV 552/2
Dr. Shawn Dawson, organ

J. S. Bach

‡ Dr. Daniel Blosser, conductor; Daniel Light, piano

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***Announcements are located on the following pages*

THIS MORNING

The flowers in the Chancel area are given by Colleen Endres in memory of her husband, Ed, who died 25 years ago on September 8, 1997.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Reception

Join us **today, September 11** as we **welcome** our new Associate Pastor of Bridge Ministries, **Rev. Leigh Ann Maynard**, and her family. Light refreshments will be served **immediately following the 9 and 11:15 am worship services** in Fellowship Hall.

Christ Church is hosting a **Red Cross Blood Drive** on **Tuesday, September 20 from 2 – 6 pm in Fellowship Hall**. Please schedule an appointment by contacting Kim Brice at (502) 727-2581. Walk-ins are also welcome.

Kids and teens, grades 6 - 12 | Join us weekly in the Youth Center!

Sunday evenings at 6 pm for Youth Group

Wednesday evenings at 6 pm for Open Youth Center

Gaming, doing homework, or just hanging out!

Hope to see you there! Contact Rev. Mike Porter at mike@ccum.net, for more information.

Wonder, Love and Praise | Sunday, September 18 | 7 pm | Sanctuary

Sanctuary Series opens its 2022-2023 season celebrating all of the musical ensembles at Christ Church. Come and **hear our choirs, handbell ringers, and instrumentalists** of all ages. Congregational singing and solo organ music will round out this inspirational evening of praise and worship to our God!

Charge Conference Meeting | September 25, 2022 | 12:30 pm | Room 158

All Administrative Council members are asked to attend and all church members are invited to attend this church business meeting.

Thomas Merton wisely said, “If you want a life of prayer, the way to get it is by praying.” So, Christ Church, **let’s pray!** Our **Prayer Room** (150B, behind the Parlor) is being transformed into a warm and welcoming place to meet with God. Come see for yourself at our **Open House** on **Sunday, September 11, anytime from 8:30 am-12:30 pm**. Weekly prayer gatherings—in person, on Zoom, and on Facebook LIVE—are coming soon. God promises us, “When you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you.” (*Jeremiah 29:12*) What a privilege it is to pray!

SAM Outing | Wednesday, September 28

Join us for our September SAM outing as we visit the **Falls of the Ohio!** Meet at church at 9:30 am and return by 2:30 pm. We’ll tour the Interpretive Center, visit the falls and then have **lunch** at Cluckers Restaurant. Register at ccum.net/sam.

Just Reads Book Club: *One Person, No Vote* by Carol Anderson

Wednesdays, 6:30 pm | Zoom | Beginning September 21

Join Debbie Watt as she facilitates this **4-week online gathering**. You’ll be reading and discussing **one of the Best Books of the Year** by the Washington Post, the Boston Globe and NPR. Register at ccum.net/classes.

Pass It On Kids Sale | Fellowship Hall | September 16, 9 am - 2 pm & 5:30 - 7:30 pm | September 17, 9 am - 12 pm

The semi-annual Pass it On Kids Sale is **this week!** Come shop **hundreds of items**, including clothing, toys, books, shoes, furniture, equipment, maternity clothes and more! **We need volunteers, especially for the Friday night and Saturday lunch shifts!** Visit ccum.net/passiton to sign up to volunteer or consign. For questions and more information contact Whitney Fontaine at whitney.fontaine@gmail.com.

Women's Bible Study: *God of Freedom* by Jen Wilkin | Led by Michele Moody

Tuesdays 10:00am-11:30am | September 13 – November 15 | Room 260

In this **10-session video study of Exodus**, you'll explore familiar scenes, like the giving of the Ten Commandments and the idolatrous worship of a golden calf, and discover what these ancient stories **teach us about how to live as people who've been set free**. No registration needed. To order the workbook: <https://amzn.to/3pJsaSk>

All Things New | Sundays at 10:05 am | Room 002 | Beginning August 21

Finally, a **Sunday morning class** just for parents of littles! Led by couples from the **First Things First** class, **All Things New** will offer relational, spiritual and practical encouragement for moms and dads with **children from newborn through age five**. Join your peers for coffee and conversation, for the joy of laughing together and praying together, for the chance to let go of parenting guilt and celebrate the good stuff.

Children's Ministry fall Sunday morning schedule begins today!

- **During the 9 and 11:15 am worship services**, K - 2nd grades will begin in worship with their families and leave for Children's Worship. They will return to the Sanctuary during the closing hymn. Please note they will remain in worship on Communion Sundays.
- **Faith Formation resumes at 10:05 am!** We are excited to spend time praying, playing and learning Bible Stories with your children. Plus, we are focusing on building friendships this year so we have added extra playtime to each session!

Grief Support Group | Wednesdays at 11:30 am | Room 154

Experiencing the death of a loved one is something you do not have to walk through alone. As you are grieving, transitioning and coping there are ways to get support and encouragement. We invite you to attend our **weekly Grief Support Group** for a time of sharing, learning about the tasks of grief and holding one another up with care. **Even if you cannot be there every week, come as often as possible**. No registration is needed. Contact Rev. Melissa Head (melissa@ccum.net) with any questions.

Bible Land Exploration | Trip dates: January 16 - 25, 2023

It's not too late to **join Pastor Eric Bryant and Liz Curtis Higgs on this once-in-a-lifetime adventure!** We'll be following the footsteps of Jesus as we experience all that Israel has to offer—from Bethlehem to Bethsaida, from Jericho to Jerusalem, from the Dead Sea to the Sea of Galilee. **You will never read the Bible the same way again!** If you are interested in the trip, you can pick up a brochure at the front desk or visit ccum.net/adults for more information.

Men's Ministry: Just for Men | Wednesdays at 7:30 am via Zoom

Join Rev. Mike Porter, Director of Men's Ministries and Discipleship, as he shares scripture and discussion for men during these trying times. Drop-in to our weekly gathering. If interested, please email katie@ccum.net to be sent the Zoom link.



Thomas Merton wisely said, “If you want **a life of prayer**, the way to get it is by praying.” At Christ Church, our **Prayer Room** has become a sacred space, ready and waiting for us to gather and pray—as individuals, with friends, as families, with small groups. **Everyone is welcome, anytime the church is open.**

This morning, September 11, you’re invited to stop by our **Prayer Room** (150B, *behind the Parlor*) for our official **Open House** between **8:30 am-12:30 pm**. Come and see for yourself how this small room has been transformed into a warm and welcoming place to meet with God. Liz Curtis Higgs and other volunteers will be on hand to greet you.

Prayer Requests

You’ll find a **board** for posting **public prayer requests**, so our church community can pray for one another, and a **box** for placing your **private prayer needs**, so our pastoral staff can pray for you and those you care about.

Prayer Gatherings

Every **Sunday morning** from **8:30 - 9 am**, Rev. Melissa Head, Liz Curtis Higgs, or another staff member will lead a time of prayer, including a brief teaching at the start, since we all have much to learn about prayer. Praying for our church and each other is the perfect way to begin the Lord’s Day!

Prayer Prompts

Every **Tuesday morning**, you can receive a short prompt by text or email, encouraging you to pray for a specific need. To register: ccum.net/prayerprompt

Let’s Pray on Zoom

Every Wednesday at **12 pm**, join **Rev. Dr. Leanne Hadley** on **Zoom** for **30 minutes** of interactive prayer, **beginning September 14**.

Link: ccum.net/lunchprayer

Let’s Pray on Facebook LIVE

Every Thursday at **12 pm**, join **Liz Curtis Higgs** on **Facebook LIVE** for **15 minutes**, as she shares a short teaching on prayer, then prays, inviting viewers to share prayer requests in the comments. Catch Liz live or later, **beginning September 15**, at <http://www.facebook.com/christchurchlouisville>.

**We are eager to make prayer a priority at Christ Church,
grateful for God’s promise,
“When you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you.”
Jeremiah 29:12**