

# Christ Church United Methodist

September 8, 2019

9:00 and 11:15 am

## 13th Sunday After Pentecost

### Order of Worship

*Please silence your cell phone and other electronic devices.*

PRELUDE *Allegro from Concerto for Oboe* Domenico Cimarosa  
Ben Williams, oboe

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Melissa Head

Pastor: When everything around us is dark and we can see no light at all,

**People: May the light from Your Word show us the way to go.**

Pastor: When the future is uncertain and we can't see what lies ahead,

**People: May the light from Your Word show us the way to go.**

Pastor: When we feel abandoned or betrayed and have no one to turn to,

**People: May the light from Your Word show us the way to go.**

Pastor: When we are tempted to do what we know is wrong,

**People: May the light from Your Word show us the way to go.**

Pastor: Let us worship God, whose Word is a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path.

**People: As we gather, open our eyes to see the wonderful truths in Your Word.**

**Give us understanding, that we may keep Your law and put it into practice in our lives.**

*Adapted from "Light for the Path" by Christine Longhurst*

\*HYMN OF PRAISE *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* Hymn 400

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified dead and buried;  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine* Hymn 166  
Let every tongue confess with one accord  
in heaven and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord;  
and God the Father be by all adored;  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

BAPTISMAL COVENANT (11:15)

Finley Dean Moneymaker (3/16/2019), son of Brittany and Cory Moneymaker  
Pastor: Members of the household of faith, I commend to your love and care  
Finley, whom we this day recognize as a member of the family of God.  
Will you endeavor so to live that he 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 Finley, 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!

CALL TO PRAYER *Spirit of the Living God* Hymn 393

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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 *(Please sign the attendance pad as it is passed down the pew.)*

9:00 *Be Not Afraid* Craig Courtney  
One Voice and Laudaté

11:15 *Those Who Wait on the Lord* Craig Courtney  
Chancel Choir  
David Catlett, trumpet

\*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

*Children Kindergarten through Second Grade may follow the banner out the  
side door of the Sanctuary for Children's Chapel in Room 132. Third Graders will follow  
Rev. Dr. Leanne Hadley for a special time of learning about worship.*

SCRIPTURE *Romans 12:1-2* Page 151 (NT) in the pew Bible  
9:00 Colleen Endres  
11:15 Bobby Schiavone

SERMON *Why Church? Renewing the Mind* Rev. Rebecca Curry

\*INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\*CLOSING HYMN *Be Thou My Vision* Hymn 451

\*SENDING FORTH

\*POSTLUDE *Trumpet Tune* Jason Payne

\*indicates standing as you are able.

### Announcements

In the face of disasters like Hurricane Dorian, The **United Methodist Committee on Relief** provides funds to partners who distribute food, hygiene supplies, shelter and other basic needs to ease human suffering. If you would like to donate to the relief effort you can visit [umcor.org](https://umcor.org) or make a check payable to Christ Church United Methodist with UMCOR on the memo line.

**Today is Sunday Fun Day** Join us in the parking lot at 12:15 pm for a family fun time of eating and playing together. Sponsored by our Scout Troop 317. No registration required.

**Connect with Christ Church** is a two-week series for those wanting to learn more about Christ Church. Join us September 11 and September 18, from 6:00 to 7:30 pm in room 158. Visit <https://ccum.net/connect> to register or contact Leigh Ray at [lray@ccum.net](mailto:lray@ccum.net) or 502-893-2201 x222.

### Two Ways to Support Portland Promise Center

September 11, join us for a Breakfast fundraiser catered by *Wild Eggs*, from 7 to 8:30 am at Christ Church in our Fellowship Hall. RSVP to Leigh Ray at [lray@ccum.net](mailto:lray@ccum.net) or call 893-2201 x222. September 15 we will be collecting a special offering for the Portland Promise Center. Please come prepared to give generously!

**Church Retreat at Camp Loucon** Begins Friday, October 11 at 6 pm CDT through lunch on Sunday, October 13. Come for 1 or 2 nights, or for the day on Saturday. For full details and registration, visit [www.ccum.net/calendar](http://www.ccum.net/calendar).

### This Morning

The flowers in the chancel area are given by **Colleen Endres** in memory of her husband Ed, who died September 8, 1997. The rose banner honors the birth of Beyer Christopher Covington, son of **Sarah and Chris Covington**, who was born August 29.

### Our Church Family (as of Wednesday, September 4)

Hospital: Mary Alice McAfee [Norton Brownsboro]; Sandra Boone [Baptist]

Christian sympathy is extended to **Agnes White** on the death of her sister, Helen Blevins, who died August 26; Dennis Dolan and family on the death of his wife, **Susan Dolan**, who died September 1.

### Presence and Gifts (as of Sunday, September 1)

Worship - 833 Sunday Prepare Groups - 424  
New Faith Communities - 120  
August Participants in Small Groups, Short-Term Classes and Studies: 417  
Contributions Received Week Ending September 1, 2019: \$ 41,338  
Budgeted Contributions through August 31, 2019: \$ 2,058,959  
Actual Contributions Received through August 31, 2019: \$ 2,049,766

*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  
 11:15 am: Sanctuary

**Hope and Healing Service** for caregivers, those with long-term illnesses and those grieving will be on Sunday, September 29, 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm in the Chapel.

### Prepare

**CareGiver to CareGiver Support Group** will meet Monday, September 9 from 3:00 to 4:30 pm in room 253.

**Class on United Methodism** Are you new to the Methodist Church or a long-time member that would like to learn more about what it means to United Methodist? Join Corey Miller in Room 388 for a 3 week series starting Sunday, September 15 (10:05-11 am). Drop-ins are welcome!!

**Study opportunities** Celebration of Discipline begins Sunday, September 15, 5 to 6:30 pm and Living Compassionately: Caring for the Poor starts Sunday, September 22, 5 to 7:30 pm.

**United Methodist Men's Breakfast** Saturday, September 15 at 8 am in Fellowship Hall. Interim Senior Pastor, Rev. Rebecca Curry, will be our guest speaker. All men are welcome to attend.

### Serve

**Refugee Ministry** Christ Church is sponsoring an Eretrian refugee from Ethiopia. If you have volunteered to provide the items that were on the bulletin board last week, you can place them in the collection box in the Gathering Hall. Thank you for your support!

Volunteers are needed September 17-21 to help make this Fall's **Pass It On Kids Sale** a success. Sign up to volunteer and for childcare at <http://ccum.net/ministries/children/pass-it-on-kids-sale> or visit the information table in the Gathering Hall this Sunday. For questions and more information contact Sarah Aten at [s.e.o.aten@gmail.com](mailto:s.e.o.aten@gmail.com).

# 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

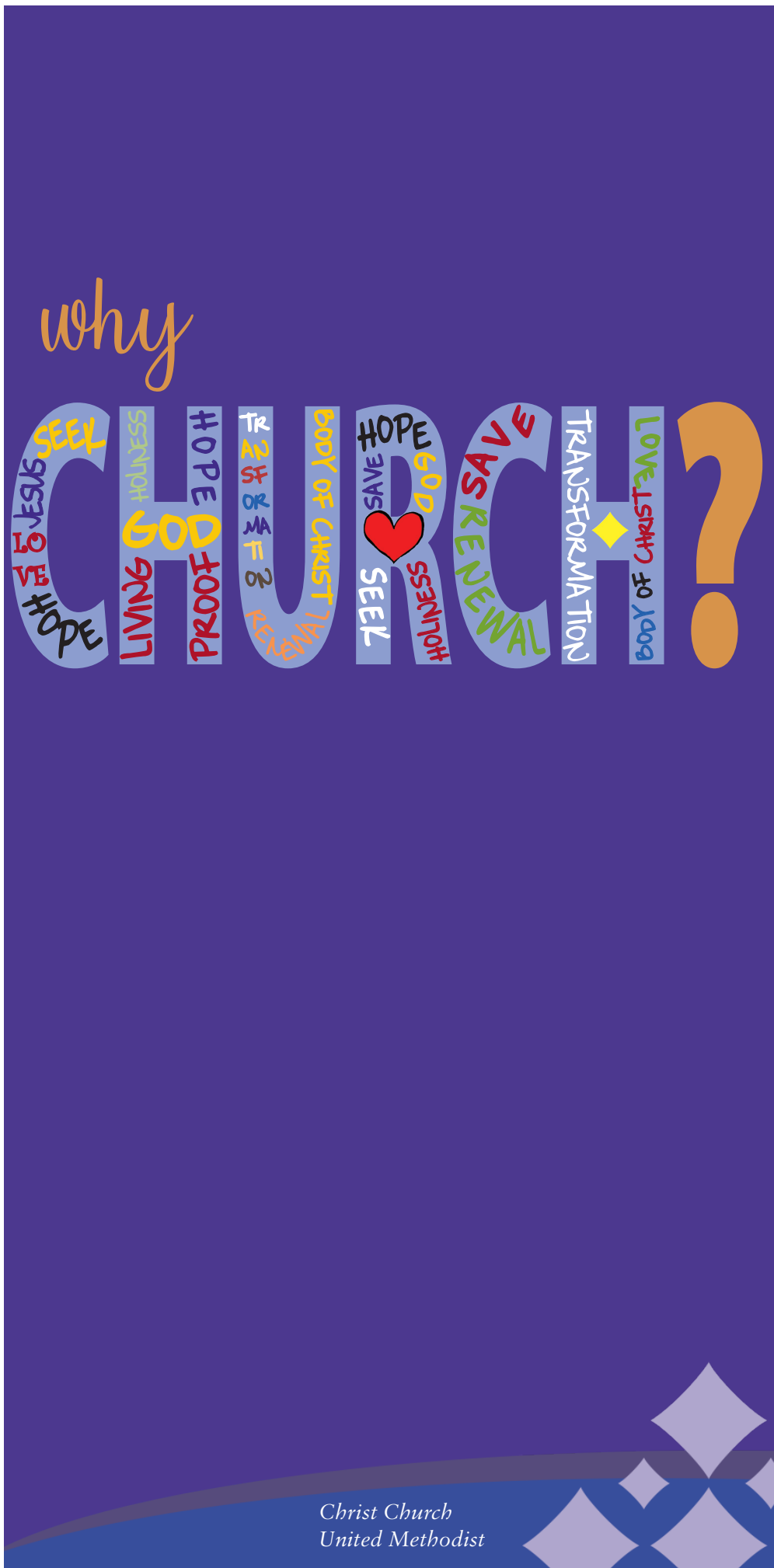
Meeting the basic needs of food, shelter, education, hope and love for Louisville's children and adolescents.

# 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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