Christ UMC Worship 9.24.2023

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

OPENING MUSIC

Dr. Johnathan Vest

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 146: 1-2, 5-7a

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long. Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry.

*OPENING HYMN

"All Who Hunger" Congregation and Worship Band

2126 (black hymnal)

1 All who hunger, gather gladly; Holy manna is our bread. Come from wilderness and wandering., Here, in truth, we will be fed. You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

2 All who hunger, never strangers; seeker be a welcome guest. Come from restlessness and roaming. Here, in joy, we keep the feast. We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good. 3 All who hunger, sing together; Jesus Christ is living bread. Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we have been led. Blest are those who from this table live their lives in gratitude. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

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OPENING PSALM

Psalm 146:7b-10

The LORD sets the prisoners free;
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.
The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
the LORD loves the righteous.
The LORD watches over the strangers;
he upholds the orphan and the widow,
but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.
The LORD will reign forever,
your God, O Zion, for all generations.
Praise the LORD!

ACT OF PRAISE

"This Morning When I Rose" Celebration Singers Reese|Parker

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GOD SPEAKS THE WORD TO US

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the scriptures are read and your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

SCRIPTURE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	Exodus 16:2-15	Jessica Mitchell Aimee Cox

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERING

"He's Been Faithful" Laurie Ross Cymbala

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Mark Price

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.

WE ARE SENT TO BE GOD'S PEOPLE IN THE WORLD

*CLOSING SONG "Feed Us, Lord " 3167 (green hymnal) Congregation and Worship Band

1 Feed us, Lord. Feed us, Lord. In the broken bread, be revealed again. Come and feed our hearts, O Lord.

2 Quench us, Lord. Quench us, Lord. On this thirsty ground, may your love flow down. Come and quench our hearts, O Lord.

3 Fill us, Lord. Fill us, Lord,

SERMON

with the bread and wine of the risen Christ. Come and fill our hearts, O Lord.

4 Lead us, Lord. Lead us, Lord. Nourished here by Christ, given strength for life. Come and lead our hearts, O Lord.

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SENDING FORTH

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BLESSING SONG "The Lord Bless and Keep You"

Strathdee

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The Lord bless and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine on you, and be gracious, gracious. The Lord bless and keep you, the Lord lift his countenance on you and give peace, give you peace. Shalom, shalom.

CLOSING MUSIC

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We encourage you to take your printed worship order with you or to place them in the recycle baskets at the sanctuary exits.

Prayer List

New Prayer Concerns

Friends and Family of Will Waynick following his death Alice Renfro Christina Mays Fran Tucker Garrett Warner Renee Ward Rex Williams Terri Wildman

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Flora Benker Judy Bowles Ken Burnette **Beverly Campbell** Friends and Family of Hank Cantrell Rev. Mary Cartwright Kendra Cates Hugh Charlton Harry Coleman Family of Antoine Crisp Micah and Brittany Davis Doug Davis Brent Greene Alan Hall Legal Undertakings Ted Henderson Mary Anne Hooper Kent McNish Gary Minor Jessica Mitchell Sue Mueller Chuck Neighbors Heather O'Dell Friends and Family of Tracey Parton Marne Price Judson Randolph Family and Friends of Melissa and Neal Rikal in the loss of their daughter Inmates and Administration of Riverbend Charles Rutledge Amy Saffell Parole Family of Charles Tallent Sterling Thomas and Family following the death of his mother, Margaret Jordan Ukraine Jose and Jersey Urmeneta Family of Walls Chris Warner John Wigant



Wednesday Night Supper begins September 27th at 5:30pm.

This week's meal is a Taco Bar from Moe's!

Registration is required to attend

Scan QR codes to register and pay. Additional info and payment link can be found in the newsletter.

Other Upcoming Events at Christ UMC

(more info can be found in the Newsletter)

- Prayerful Hands Knitting Group Meeting Sunday, September 24th after worship in the Library. Contact Cheryl Stanley.
- 9/27 Wednesday Night Supper Meal is a Taco Bar (provided by Moe's). Registration required! See links online and in Narhex.
- Holy Smoke BBQ is Saturday, September 30th Sign up online or in Narthex!
- Prison Ministry Meeting & Potluck Lunch Sunday, October 8th after worship in the Library. Bring a dish to share!
- All Church Retreat! November 3-5 at Beersheba Springs Assembly. <u>Register</u> online by October 20th, Link in newsletter.
- Letters from Home Contact Elizabeth Oliphant to sign up your college student or to become a pen pal to one of our church's college kids!