

Christ UMC Worship
9.1.2024

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

OPENING MUSIC

Dr. Johnathan Vest

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*OPENING HYMN "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" 57 (Red hymnal)
Congregation and Worship Band

**1. O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!**

**2. My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honors of thy name.**

**3. Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life, and health, and peace.**

**4. He breaks the power of canceled sin,
he sets the prisoner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean;
his blood availed for me.**

**5. He speaks, and listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive;
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.**

**6. Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,
your loosened tongues employ;**

**ye blind, behold your Savior come,
and leap, ye lame, for joy.**

**7. In Christ, your head, you then shall know,
shall feel your sins forgiven;
anticipate your heaven below,
and own that love is heaven.**

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*OPENING PRAYER

ACT OF PRAISE

"All My Days"
Worship Band

Zelman | Miller

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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

Psalm 15

Jeff Williams

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Nella McCall

SCRIPTURE

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15

Patti Williams

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes

(Parents of small children are asked to bring them back to their seats at this time.)

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Mark Price

INVITATION

CONFESSION AND PARDON

**Merciful God,
 we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
 We have failed to be an obedient church.
 We have not done your will,
 we have broken your law,
 we have rebelled against your love,
 we have not loved our neighbors,
 and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
 Forgive us, we pray.
 Free us for joyful obedience,
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

All may offer silent prayers of confession.

Hear the good news:
 Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
 that proves God's love toward us.
 In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
 Glory to God. Amen.**

OFFERING

"You Speak"
Worship Band

Assad

Composer: Audrey Assad. © Audrey Assad. CCLI #11460403.

DOXOLOGY

94 (red hymnal)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 praise God, all creatures here below;
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Praise God, the source of all our gifts;
 praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts.
 Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit
 Alleluia! alleluia! alleluia!**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

2257, a, b, c, d (Black hymnal)

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,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.
You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.
When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained
steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our
sovereign God, brought us to a land flowing with milk and honey,
and set before us the way of life.
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,
hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in
the highest, hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.
By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection
you gave birth to your Church,
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.
By your great mercy we have been born anew
to a living hope through the resurrection of your Son from the dead
and to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading.
Once we were no people, but now we are your people,
declaring your wonderful deeds in Christ,
who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.
When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always,
in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread,
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,

poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

On the day you raised him from the dead
he was recognized by his disciples in the breaking of the bread,
and in the power of your Holy Spirit your Church has continued
in the breaking of the bread and the sharing of the cup.
And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again. Hosanna
in the highest, hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his
blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly
banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your
holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and
forever.

**Amen, amen, amen. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the
highest, hosanna in the highest.**

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.**

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

**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.**

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

DISMISSAL

Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes

BLESSING SONG

"The Lord Bless and Keep You"

Strathdee

**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.**

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CLOSING MUSIC

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*Today's Communion rail benefits our September Outreach Ministry partner,
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Prayer List

New Prayer Concerns

Shannon Mitchell
 Savannah Seifferth
 Kyle McComb
 Fred Mann
 Joy Noble
 Roland Reeves
 Tom Beadles
 Mike Seay

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Matt Barr and family following
 the death of his mother, Carol
 Velma Bradley
 Dave Bradley
 Ken Burnette
 Don Campbell
 Emma Carbone
 Karen Chin
 Dave Edmunds
 Mary Fredenhagen
 Daniel and Maggie Gilliam
 Casei Green
 Tim Gregath
 Carolyn Hatchett
 Mary Anne Hooper
 Chris Johnson
 Jerry Kirk
 Caroline Lontz
 Tom Livesay
 Linda Mallory
 Nancy Martin
 Jessica Mitchell and Family

following the death of her
 mother, Myra Daw
 Michelle and Leonard Morton and
 family following the death of his
 mother
 Sue Mueller
 Bob Munn
 Chuck Neighbors
 Terry Paradise
 Peace in the Middle East
 Family and Friends of Mark Pewitt
 following his death
 Marshall Price
 John Purdue
 Judson Randolph
 Amy Saffell
 Matt Spencer
 Rebecca Thomas
 Ukraine
 Ralph Walker
 John Wigant
 Terri Wildman