

Christ UMC Worship
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WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

GATHERING MUSIC

Dr. Johnathan Vest

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Aimee Cox

MINISTRY MOMENT, Center for Living & Learning

* CALL TO WORSHIP

* OPENING HYMN

"Christ Has Risen"
Congregation and Worship Band

2115 (Black)

**1 Christ has risen while earth slumbers,
Christ has risen where hope died,
as he said and as he promised,
as we doubted and denied.
Let the moon embrace the blessing;
let the sun sustain the cheer;
let the world confirm the rumor.
Christ is risen, God is here!**

**2. Christ has risen for the people
whom he loved and died to save;
Christ has risen for the women
bringing flowers to grace his grave
Christ has risen for disciples
huddled in an upstairs room.
He whose word inspired creation
is not silenced by the tomb.**

**3. Christ has risen to companion
former friends who fear the night,
sensing loss and limitation
where their faith had once burned bright.
They bemoan what is no longer,
they expect no hopeful sign
till Christ ends their conversation,
breaking bread and sharing wine.**

**4.Christ has risen and forever
lives to challenge and to change
all whose lives are messed or mangled,
all who find religion strange.
Christ is risen. Christ is present
making us what he has been –
evidence of transformation
in which God is known and seen.**

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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.**

ACT OF PRAISE	"The Lord's Peace" <i>Worship Band</i>	Zinter
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SCRIPTURE	John 20:19-31	Clara Wanczak
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE		Aimee Cox
SCRIPTURE	Acts 5:27-32	Gary Coulter
SERMON		Aimee Cox

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

RESPONSE	"The Risen Christ" <i>Worship band</i>	Getty Medeira
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	Rev. Paul Bonner
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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

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DOXOLOGY

94 (Red)

**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!**

SILENT REFLECTION

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

*CLOSING SONG

"O Living God"
Congregation

3089 (Green)

**O Living God,
I long to see You
Lifted up in all Your glory;
To see You there in holy beauty.
O Lord, Almighty God,
Living Christ, I love You.**

**O Living God,
I long to praise You
Heart and voice, with all creation;
To worship You for tender mercy.**

**O Lord, Almighty God,
Living Christ, I love You.**

**O Living God,
I soon will see You
Face to face, in all Your glory.
I'll worship You in endless wonder.
O Lord, Almighty God,
Living Christ, I love You.**

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SENDING FORTH

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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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Prayer List

New Prayer Concerns

Mia Saliba

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

David and Velma Bradley
Karen Brutton
Ken Burnette
Don Campbell
Family and friends of Lonnie Castle
following his death
Tami D'Angelo and Family following
the death of her father,
George Wintrode
Micah Davis
David, Stewart, and Christian
Nancy Edmunds and Family
following the death of her
husband, Dave
Families of inmates at RMSI
Margaret Fortney
Mary Fredenhagen
Olivia Haight
The Harless-Wainscott Family
Peggy Holmes, mother of
Hope Fazenbaker
Kathy Holtz
Tammy Hollis and Family
Robin Kennedy
Donnie King
Jerry Kirk and Family following
the death of his wife, Jane
Caleb Lillard

Fred Mann
Denver McM
Susan Minor and Family following
the death of her mother,
Beverly Wallis
Ed & Sue Mueller
Bob Munn
Susan Murillo and Family following
the death of her husband, Sam
Beth Negley
Chuck Neighbors
Don (Duck) Niehoff
Terry Paradise
Peace in the Middle East
Charles Perry
Judson Randolph
Shanelle Rauh and twins
Aaron Seay
Local storms, tornados, & flooding
Jennifer Sturgill
Ukraine
Unit 5 at RMSI on continuous
lockdown
Glenn Wienke
John Wigant
Terri Wildman
Cliff Wright