Christ UMC Worship 8.24.2025

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

GATHERING MUSIC Dr. Johnathan Vest

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*OPENING HYMN "My Hope Is Built" 368 (Red)

Congregation and Worship Band

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness. I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain:

On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace. In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. (Refrain)

His oath, his covenant, his blood supports me in the whelming flood. When all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay. (Refrain)

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found! Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne! (Refrain)

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*OPENING PRAYER

O God of all goodness, you welcome us, forgive us and heal us. You seek us out from places where we have hidden from you. You crown us with steadfast love and mercy. Reveal yourself to us in this moment. Let us know your presence so that we may bless you: Bless you, O God! Bless your holy name! Amen.

ACT OF PRAISE

"Let Everything that Hath Breath" Celebration Singers

Ames

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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 Luke 13:10-17 Samantha Hassell

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Lanie Perkins

SCRIPTURE Hebrews 12:18-29 Matthew Hassell

SERMON Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

RESPONSE "Nothing to Fear" Assad | Zach | Wardell Heather O'Dell, soloist

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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.

OFFERING Dr. Johnathan Vest

*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!

SILENT REFLECTION

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

*CLOSING SONG "I Will Trust in the Lord"

Congregation and Worship Band

464 (Red)

I will trust in the Lord, I will trust in the Lord, I will trust in the Lord, I will trust in the Lord. I will trust in the Lord.

I will trust in the Lord, I will trust in the Lord, I will trust in the Lord, till I die.

Children, will you trust...till you die

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RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

*SENDING FORTH 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 Dr. Johnathan Vest

* indicates please stand in body or spirit

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Prayer List

New Prayer Concerns:

Cathy and Philip Chieng & extended family and friends of Edythe "Ede" Birkett, following her death on 8/15

Family and Friends of Barbara Barnett, following her death on 8/18

Donna Brown Mandy Jones

Margaret Beshears Monique Timms

Omar Seville and family

Tim Gregath

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Anthony & Family Donnie King
David & Velma Bradley Jerry Kirk

Jill Brady Ed & Sue Mueller

Suzanne Brandon Bob Munn Karen Brutton Susan Murillo

Don Campbell Jimmy Negley & all other deployed

Esther Cast military & their families

Sarah Partee Christianson Chuck Neighbors

Dawn D. Terry Paradise

Micah Davis Peace in the Middle East

Diana Dietz

Margaret Fortney

Mary Fredenhagen

Doug Fugua

Judson Randolph

Joan Ratcliff

Pat Ring

Aaron Seay

Genesis, the new baby born to one of Family & friends of Marty Stillings

our Nicaraguan families following his death

Gentry's Educational Foundation Students heading back to school this

Edith Ann Gibb year or starting school

George Grizzle Jennifer Sturgill
Michael Ham Sulaiman Tunkara

Kathy Holtz

Immigrant Community in Will. Co.

Family & Friends of Jim Ingram

Ukraine

Carole Vietti

John Wigant

following his death Terri Wildman