

Christ UMC Worship
1.25.2026

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

OPENING MUSIC Dr. Johnathan Vest

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes

MINISTRY MOMENT, Building Lives Foundation

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*OPENING HYMN "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" 206 (Red)
Congregation and Worship Band

**I want to walk as a child of the light
I want to follow Jesus
God sent the stars to give light to the world
The star of my life is Jesus**

Refrain:

**In Him, there is no darkness at all
The night and the day are both alike
The Lamb is the light of the city of God
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus**

**I want to see the brightness of God
I want to look at Jesus
Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path
And show me the way to the Father *refrain***

**I'm looking for the coming of Christ
I want to be with Jesus
When we have run with patience the race
We shall know the joy of Jesus**

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*OPENING PRAYER

**O God,
you spoke your word
and revealed your good news in Jesus, the Christ.**

**Fill all creation with that word again,
so that by proclaiming your joyful promises to all nations
and singing of your glorious hope to all peoples,
we may become one living body,
your incarnate presence on the earth. Amen.**

ACT OF PRAISE

"Who At My Door is Standing"
Celebration Singers

Scott

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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

Matthew 4:12-23

Lisa Spencer

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Lanie Perkins

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Scott Heard

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

RESPONSE

"Let It Fall" Meinerding|Berquist|Detweiler
Bethany Graham

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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.**

OFFERTORY

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! alleluia!**

SILENT REFLECTION

*CLOSING SONG

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"
Congregation and Worship Band

2129 (Black)

**I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus -
no turning back, no turning back.**

**The world behind me, the cross before me,
the world behind me, the cross before me,
the world behind me, the cross before me -
no turning back, no turning back.**

**Though none go with me, still I will follow,
though none go with me, still I will follow,
though none go with me, still I will follow—
no turning back, no turning back.**

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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

Dr. Johnathan Vest

Prayer List

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

The Babu Family
 Krista Barre'
 Tom Beadles
 Suzanne Brandon
 Don Campbell
 Esther Cast
 Joy Cobb
 Janet Cothron and family following the
 death of her mother, Peggy Stafford
 Dennison Craddock
 Linda Daniel
 Micah Davis
 Brett Dean
 Laura Duff
 Angela Dugger
 Becky Duncan
 Nancy Edmunds
 Scott Farmer
 Margaret Fortney
 Karen Galloway and family following
 the death of her father
 Amanda Garner
 Edith Ann Gibb
 Amy Hargis
 Patti Sue Harper
 Carolyn Hatchett
 Tommy Hatchett

Kathy Holtz
 Gary Janke
 Dr. Saira Jay and family
 Donnie King
 Jerry Kirk
 Jason McArthur and family
 People of Minneapolis
 Ed & Sue Mueller
 Susan Murillo
 Judson Randolph
 Joan Ratcliff
 Pat Ring
 All those incarcerated at RMSI
 Staff and Leadership at RMSI
 Amy Roadman and family following
 the death of her mother,
 Nancy Schowalter
 Room in the Inn
 Aaron Seay
 Wilma Spivey
 Kelly Stanley
 Lynda Szeglin
 Carole Vietti
 Susan Ward
 John Wigant
 Jeff Williams
 Karen Yarbrough