

Christ UMC Worship

5.3.2026

**WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

OPENING MUSIC

Dr. Johnathan Vest

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

\*OPENING HYMN

"The Church's One Foundation"  
*Congregation and Worship Band*

546 (Red)

**The church's one foundation  
is Jesus Christ our Lord;  
we are his new creation  
by water and the Word.  
From heaven he came and sought us  
that we might ever be  
his living servant people  
by his own death set free.**

**Called forth from every nation,  
yet one o'er all the earth;  
our charter of salvation,  
one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
one holy name professing,  
and at one table fed,  
to one hope always pressing,  
by Christ's own Spirit led.**

**Though with a scornful wonder  
the world sees us oppressed,  
by schisms rent asunder,  
by heresies distressed,  
yet saints their watch are keeping;  
their cry goes up, "How long?"  
And soon the night of weeping  
shall be the morn of song.**

**Mid toil and tribulation,  
and tumult of our war,**

**we wait the consummation  
of peace forevermore;  
till, with the vision glorious,  
our longing eyes are blest,  
and the great church victorious  
shall be the church at rest.**

**We now on earth have union  
with God the Three in One,  
and mystic sweet communion  
with those whose rest is won.  
Oh, happy ones and holy!  
Lord, give us grace that we  
like them, the meek and lowly,  
on high may dwell with thee.**

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**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** written by the 2026 Confirmation Class

**I believe in God, who shines through the people around us  
and through the beauty of creation.**

**I believe in Jesus, Son of God,  
who shows how to treat others by the way he lived.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, who lives in us to teach us wisdom,  
to move us to treat others with kindness, and to do God's will.**

**I believe in the Church: a joyful community  
that welcomes and accepts all God's children,  
and does lots of group stuff.**

**I believe in the communion of saints:  
believers who exist in all times and spaces  
to encourage one another and embody the grace of God.**

**I believe in forgiveness: by Jesus' death on the cross,  
he showed us what forgiveness looks like,  
so by his example, we forgive others  
and are forgiven when we make mistakes.**

**I believe in life everlasting: we will die from this life**

**and our spirit will live with God forever;  
no matter what happens, we are children of God—always.**

**Amen.**

ACT OF PRAISE      “Let Your Faith Be Stronger Than Your Fear”      Trenney  
*Celebration Singers; Nicole Cook, soloist*

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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 31:1-5, 15-16	Violet Carnes
CHILDREN’S MESSAGE		Lanie Perkins
SCRIPTURE	John 14:1-14	Laurel Carnes
SERMON		Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

RESPONSE	“There Was Jesus” <i>Worship Band</i>	Beathard Smith Williams
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	Rev. Mark Price
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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.**

OFFERTORY

Dr. Johnathan Vest

DOXOLOGY

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**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!**

CELEBRATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT AND CONFIRMATION

INTRODUCTION AND PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

I present for baptism.

Mirabella Opal Abram  
Cora Neal Scaduto

I present for confirmation.

Violet Marie Carnes  
Isabelle Caris Cook  
Sam Robert Humphrey  
Lucy Erin Roberts  
Samuel Coler Williams

RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

Pastor:

Do you, as Christ's body, the church,  
reaffirm both your rejection of sin  
and your commitment to Christ?

Congregation: **We do.**

Pastor: Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and  
include these friends now before you in your care?

Congregation: **With God's help, we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround these friends with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.**

Pastor: Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments: Do you believe in God?

**I believe in God Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of God, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Pastor: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

RECEPTION INTO THE CHURCH AND COMMENDATION

Pastor:

Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

*Congregation:*

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you, and we welcome you in Christian love.**

**As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

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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## Prayer List

### New Prayer Concerns:

Samantha & Leslie

Gary High

Felicia & David

Jonathan Davis & family

Debbie Johnston & family following the death of her son, Robbie, on April 28<sup>th</sup>

### Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Suzanne Brandon

Don Campbell

Sharon Carolan and family

following the death of her father,

Richard Suppiger

Esther Cast

Doug Davis

Micah Davis

Kendra Evans

Sally Faith

Scott Farmer

Eric & Elizabeth Fellows and

family following the death of

his father, Dan

Margaret Fortney

Mary Fredenhagen

Amanda Garner

Edith Ann Gibb

Carolyn Hatchett

Tommy Hatchett

Kathy Holtz

Dan Jones

Donnie King

Rees Mitchell

Ed Mueller

Bhavani Muvvala

Robert & MaryLou Newton

Judson Randolph

Kurt & Stacy Ring and family

following the death of his mother,

Patricia

Aaron Seay

Omar & Claudia Seville

Dee Slack

Wilma Spivey

Lynda Szeglin

Ella Thomas

Carole Vietti

John Wigant

Jeff Williams

Karen Yarbrough