

Christ UMC Worship
6.28.2026

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

GATHERING MUSIC

Dr. Johnathan Vest

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes

* CALL TO WORSHIP

We've come to worship,
to sing and pray and hear God's Word, because:

God's love lasts forever!

Even when God seems far away, we know:

God's love lasts forever!

Even when nothing is going right,
and we're ready to give up, we know:

God's love lasts forever!

When people treat us badly, we know:

God's love lasts forever!

When we're all alone,
and we feel like no one loves us, we know:

God's love lasts forever!

Let's worship God together!

* OPENING HYMN "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" 139 (Red)
Congregation

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;
join me in glad adoration!**

**Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigning
bears thee on eagle's wings, e're in his keeping maintaining.
God's care enfolds all, whose true good he upholds.
Hast though not known his sustaining?**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
who with his love doth befriend thee.**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy life and restore thee,
fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before thee.
Then to thy need God as a mother doth speed,
spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.**

**Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him.
Let the amen sound from his people again;
gladly forever adore him.**

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OPENING PRAYER

ACT OF PRAISE

"Blessings"
Worship Band

Story

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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 13/Psalm 23

Ella Thomas

O LORD, how long will you forget me? Forever?
How long will you look the other way?

**The LORD is my shepherd;
I have everything I need.
He lets me rest in green meadows;
he leads me beside peaceful streams.**

How long must I struggle with anguish in my soul,
with sorrow in my heart every day?

**He restores my soul.
He guides me along paths of righteousness
for the sake of his good name.**

How long will my enemy have the upper hand?
Turn and answer me, O LORD my God!
Restore the sight to my eyes, or I will die.

**Even when I walk through the dark valley of death,
I will not be afraid,
for you are close beside me.
Your rod and your staff protect and comfort me.**

Don't let my enemies gloat, saying, "We have defeated him!"
Don't let them rejoice at my downfall.

**You prepare a feast for me right in front of my enemies.
You welcome me as a guest, anointing my head with oil.
My cup overflows with blessings.**

But I trust in your unfailing love.
I will rejoice because you have rescued me.
I will sing to the LORD
because he has been so good to me.

**Surely your goodness and unfailing love will pursue me
all the days of my life,
and I will live in the house of the LORD forever.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Nella McCall

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 22:1-14

Bob Thomas

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

RESPONSE

"I Will Praise Him Still"
Worship Band

Ortega

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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! Alleluia!**

SILENT REFLECTION

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

*CLOSING SONG

"And Are We Yet Alive"
Congregation and Worship Band

553 (Red)

**And are we yet alive,
and see each other's face?
Glory and thanks to Jesus give
for his almighty grace!**

**Preserved by power divine
to full salvation here,
again in Jesus' praise we join,
and in his sight appear.**

**What troubles have we seen,
what mighty conflicts past,
fightings without, and fears within,
since we assembled last!**

**Yet out of all the Lord
hath brought us by his love;
and still he doth his help afford,
and hides our life above.**

**Then let us make our boast
of his redeeming power,
which saves us to the uttermost,
till we can sin no more.**

**Let us take up the cross
till we the crown obtain,
and gladly reckon all things loss
so we may Jesus gain.**

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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:

Family and friends of Laura Barnes following her death
Family and friends of Caleb Lillard following his death on June 22nd
Glenn Warner and family following the death of his son, Mac, on June 23rd
Deborah Dugger
Sally & Rogers Morrison

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

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| Rick Barr | Judson Randolph |
| Brooke Bonner | Karen Richardson and family |
| Glenn and Nancy Bowron | following the death of her father, |
| Suzanne Brandon | Glenn Wienke |
| Don Campbell | Families of those incarcerated at |
| Esther Cast | Riverbend |
| Doug Davis | Rachel Salmon-Parks |
| Micah Davis | Aaron Seay |
| Rachel Elizabeth | Sintayehu |
| Kendra Evans | Susan Smith |
| Sally Faith | Saul Solano |
| Margaret Fortney | Wilma Spivey |
| Michelle Fredenhagen and family | Lynda Szeglin |
| following the death of her | Carole Vietti |
| mother, Mary | John Wigant |
| Doug Fuqua and family following | Karen Yarbrough |
| the death of his mother, | |
| Madeline McCrary | |
| Edith Ann Gibb | |
| Jim Grimenstein | |
| Carolyn Hatchett | |
| Tommy Hatchett | |
| Kathy Holtz | |
| Dan Jones | |
| Joe Kennedy | |
| Donnie King | |
| Marvin Koontz | |
| Rees Mitchell | |
| Ed Mueller | |
| Family and friends of Jeff Newby | |
| following his death | |
| MaryLou Newton | |
| Jan Phelps | |
| David Pifer | |