

Christ UMC Worship

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***Please stand in body or spirit**

Unless otherwise noted, all scripture readings are from
The New Revised Standard Version, Updated Edition

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

GATHERING MUSIC

Dr. Johnathan Vest

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes

MINISTRY MOMENT, Needs of Our Kids (NOOK)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

* OPENING HYMN "The Day of Resurrection"
Congregation

303 (Red)

**The day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
the passover of gladness,
the passover of God.
From death to life eternal,
from earth unto the sky,
our Christ hath brought us over,
with hymns of victory.**

**Our hearts be pure from evil,
that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal
of resurrection light;
and listening to his accents,
may hear, so calm and plain,
his own "All hail!" and, hearing,
may raise the victor strain.**

**Now let the heavens be joyful!
Let earth the song begin!
Let the round world keep triumph,
and all that is therein!
Let all things seen and unseen
their notes in gladness blend,**

**for Christ the Lord hath risen,
our joy that hath no end.**

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OPENING PRAYER

**On this day of rejoicing, O God of our ancestors,
as we gather to break the bread,
we remember that through the blood of the Lamb
you redeemed us
and made us pass over from death to new life.
Grant that, as we celebrate your mighty deeds,
we may be one with Jesus
in offering you this sacrifice of praise. Amen.**

ACT OF PRAISE	"O God, Beyond All Praising" <i>Celebration Singers</i>	arr. Forrest
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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	Exodus 12:1-14	Tracey DuBose
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE		Lanie Perkins
SCRIPTURE	Psalms 149	Patti Williams
SERMON		Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

RESPONSE	"Satisfy" <i>Worship Band</i>	Henderson
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Brennan Perkins

INVITATION

CONFESSION

8 (Red)

**Merciful God,
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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!**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

2257 (Black)

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
almighty God), creator of heaven and earth.
You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.

When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast.

You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God,
and spoke to us through your prophets, who looked for that day
when justice shall roll down like waters
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream,
when nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war anymore.
And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest,
hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in
the highest, hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.
Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor,
to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind,
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
and to announce that the time had come
when you would save your people.
He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.
By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection
you gave birth to your Church,
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.
At his ascension you exalted him
to sit and reign with you at your right hand.
On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread,
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again. Hosanna
in the highest, hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his
blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly
banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy
Church,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

**Amen, amen, amen. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the
highest, hosanna in the highest.**

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.**

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

SONG DURING COMMUNION "Sing Alleluia to the Lord"
Congregation

2258 (Black)

Sing alleluia to the Lord!
Sing alleluia to the Lord!
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia!
Sing alleluia to the Lord!

Lift up your hearts unto the Lord.
Lift up your hearts unto the Lord.
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia!
Lift up your hearts unto the Lord.

In Christ the world has been redeemed.
In Christ the world has been redeemed.
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia!
In Christ the world has been redeemed.

His resurrection sets us free.
His resurrection sets us free.
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia!
His resurrection sets us free.

Therefore we celebrate the feast.
Therefore we celebrate the feast.
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia!
Therefore we celebrate the feast.

Sing alleluia to the Lord!
Sing alleluia to the Lord!
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia!
Sing alleluia to the Lord!

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PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

11 (Red)

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world
in the strength of your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

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

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*Today's Communion Rail Offering benefits our September Outreach Ministry
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Prayer List

New Prayer Concerns:

Family and friends of Kent Bohanon following his death

Family and friends of Carol McAfee following her death

Tom Beadles

Ellie and the twins

Kent McNish

Kathy Skretch

Carley Watkins

Shirley Williams

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Velma Bradley

Suzanne Brandon

Don Campbell

Esther Cast

Jarrel Crocker

Doug Davis

Family and friends of Micah Davis
following his death

Family and friends of Deborah
Dugger following her death

Sally Faith

Margaret Fortney

Edith Ann Gibb

Alan Hall

Carolyn Hatchett

Tommy Hatchett

Kathy Holtz

Chris Johnson

Bob Johnston

Dan Jones

Joe Kennedy

Grey Kidwell

Donnie King

Marvin Koontz

Donald Lackey

Lisa Lancaster

Caroline Lantz and family

Family and friends of Eric Little
following his death

Rees Mitchell

Ed Mueller

Robert Nasca and family

Deb Partee

David Pifer

Judson Randolph

Rachel Salmon Parks

Aaron Seay

Wilma Spivey

Lynda Szeglin

Carole Vietti

John Wigant

Paul Woodside

Karen Yarbrough