

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE In dir ist freude (Afro-Cuban Rhythms) Johann Michel Mathias

*Thank you for being with us in worship this morning.
Please join us for worship again next week.*

Ministers: The congregation of Christ United Methodist Church
Pastors: Michael Wuehler, Amanda Larsen, David Lieder, Nancy Wheeler Handlon
Children and Family Ministries Coordinator: Jenny Gunter
Director of Music/Organist: Richard D. Owen
Coordinator of Handbell Choirs: Deedee Odell
Parish Nurses: Patricia Hrabe and Ann Loth
Director of Operations: Kris Olson
Children's worship bags and bulletins are in the narthex.
Welcome Center: Ann Loth and Betty Christensen
Greeters: Amy and Dick Humphrey, Janet and Russ Hird
Fellowship Coffee: Dean Swanson, Dan and Cheryl Hamm, Mary Schmidt
Sound Booth: 9:00 Lad Roering and Sandy Shirk Heath
11:00 Matt Fiscus, Chris J. Popp
Front desk reception: Mary Petersson

Nursery care for under age five is available in Rooms 135 and 137 in the upper east hallway

Next Week's Lectionary: Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Psalm 104: 1-9, 24, 35c; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45

Today's **radio broadcast** today is given by **Ken and Elaine Bauman in honor of Elaine's parents, Kenneth and Olga Good, 75th Wedding Anniversary.** The 9:00 a.m. service airs Sundays at 11:30 am on KOLM radio, 1520AM. Please use the chart in the Commons by the Sanctuary doors to sign up for a radio broadcast, or you can sign up in the church office.



Worship Hours:
8:00am – Worship and Communion in the Chapel
9:00am – Worship in the Sanctuary
11:00am – Emergent Worship in the Education Conference Center
Wednesday Worship
6:15 pm – Wednesday Worship Celebration in the Education Conference Center

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An inclusive church where all are welcome!

October 4, 2009 World Communion Sunday 9:00 am

* Congregation is invited to stand as you are able.

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS IN PRAISE AND PRAYER

GATHERING MUSIC

Holy Manna

arr. M. L. Thompson

Christ Chimers

Is This a Day of New Beginnings?

Carl Johengen

Voices in Praise

Is this a day of new beginnings, time to remember and move on, time to believe what love is bringing, laying to rest the pain that's gone. How can the seasons of a planet mindlessly spinning round its sun with just a human name and number say that some new thing has begin? Yet through the life and death of Jesus, love's mighty Spirit, now as then, can make for us a world of difference, as faith and hope are born again.

Then let us, with the Spirit's daring, step from the past and leave behind its disappointment, guilt, and grieving, seeking new paths, and sure to find.

So let us gather around the table to taste and share what love can do.

This is a day of new beginnings; our God is making all things new.

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*HYMN OF GATHERING

(UMH) No. 568

Christ for the World We Sing

ITALIAN HYMN

***OPENING PRAYER**

We welcome everyone this morning in the name of Christ.

People of all ages, nations, races and languages are welcome to this church.

Welcome in the name of Jesus our Christ.

Help us to open our hearts, O God, so that your love may flow through us. Give us the courage to welcome strangers so that they can become friends. Let our acts of kindness and hospitality become signs of your love and grace to all who enter our doors.

Jesus showed us the way to welcome people as he invited little children to come to him. May we become as little children as we try to live out our lives through faith. For the kingdom of God belongs to little children.

Let the children come to us, for it is to such that the kingdom of God belongs.

***ACT OF PRAISE**

(FWS) No. 2026

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

HALLE, HALLE

TIME WITH CHILDREN

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.**

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

SHARING OUR GIFTS, TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Hymn to Joy
Christ Chimers

Michael Keller

***DOXOLOGY**

**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!**

UMH No. 94

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TO HEAR AND CELEBRATE GOD'S WORD

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 10:2-16

GOOD NEWS FOR TODAY

Pastor Michael Wuehler

"Let the Children"

TO CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION

*(This is the Lord's Table. All who respond to the invitation are welcome.
It is our tradition to serve grape juice so that all may partake freely.
Gluten free bread is also available.)*

The Invitation

The Prayer of Consecration

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Music during Communion

Siciliano

Mary Ellen Malkasian, piano

J. S. Bach

We Come to Your Feast

Voices in Praise

David Haas

AND TO BE SENT FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

***HYMN OF SENDING FORTH**

(UMH) No. 548

In Christ There Is No East or West

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Calendar of Events
October 4 – October 11

Sunday, October 4

7:45 am Nursery – Room 135
8:00 Worship and Communion – Chapel
9:00 Adult Bible Study – Adult Library
9:00 Traditional Worship – Sanctuary
9:00 KinderWorship – Room 133
9:30 Mennonite Worship Service – Chapel
10:00 Parish Nurse – Family Room
10:10 Membership Inquiry Brunch
10:10 Age 3 – Pre K Sunday school – Room 133
10:10 K – 5th Grade Rotational Sunday school – Lower East Hall
10:10 Mid-High Sunday school – Room 38
10:10 Sr. High Sunday school – Youth Room
10:10 Young Adults “20’s 30’s 40’s” – Room 145
10:10 Contemporary Issues – Room 146
10:10 Inquiring Spirits – Sanctuary
10:10 Volunteer Simplicity – Mettam
10:10 Adult Forum – Val Webb - Sanctuary
10:15 Voices in Praise - ECC
11:00 Emergent Worship – ECC
12:00 pm First Lego League – ECC, Rooms 36 & 37
5:00 Youth Band – ECC
7:00 ASP Leaders Meeting - Fireside

Monday, October 5

5:30 pm Communications – Room 145
5:30 pm Covenant Disciple Group – Homes
5:30 Men’s Covenant Disciple Group – Adult Library
6:00 Youth Ministry Team – Youth Room
6:00 Social Concerns - Mettam
7:00 Boy Scouts – Wesley Hall

Tuesday, October 6

5:15 pm Covenant Disciple Group – Family Room
5:30 Community Bible Study Leaders – Room 145
7:00 Community Bible Study – Church-wide
7:00 Sr. High Youth Guitar Group – Room 38
7:00 Celebration Bells – Bell Room

Wednesday, October 7

10:30 Sr. Adult Choir – Choir Room
11:15 Sr. Bell Ringers – Bell Room
1:00 pm Covenant Disciple Group – Family Room
4:30 Little Angels – Rooms
4:30 Stepping Stones – Choir Room
4:30 Child Care for under Age 3 – Room 137
4:45 Wednesday Fellowship Dinner – Wesley Hall

5:15 Pathway Singers – Choir Room
5:30 Youth Band – ECC
6:00 Christmas Anonymous Board – Room 146
6:00 Voices in Praise – Choir Room
6:00 Jubilee Bells – Bell Room
6:15 Wednesday Worship Celebration – ECC
7:00 Carillon Ringers – Bell Room
7:00 Exploration – ECC
8:00 Christ Chimers – Bell Room

Thursday, October 8

7:00 am Men’s Discussion Group – Room 145
8:00 Covenant Disciple Group – Family Room
5:30 pm First Lego League –ECC, Rooms 36 & 37
5:30 Mid-High Power & Light – Room 38
6:30 Outreach - Mettam

Friday, October 9

10:00 am Rug Hooking Group – Room 146
5:00 pm Exploration Retreat – Off Campus
7:00 Taizé Service - Chapel

Saturday, October 10

8:00 am United Theological Seminary Education – ECC
11:00 am Saturday Noon Meals Social and Snack Time – Wesley Hall
12:00 pm Saturday Noon Meals Family Style Dinner – Wesley Hall

Sunday, October 11 (See October 4)

6:30 pm Empty Nester’s Potluck – Dave and Jan Lieder’s Home

Adult Forum – Today, 10:10 – 10:50 am– Sanctuary Val Webb will talk about “Book Burnings and Crucifixions: the fate of new ideas in religion.”



Friday, October 9 – 7:00 pm – In the Chapel
Experience God in a new way!
TAIZÉ (pronounced the-záy)
Prayer • Singing • Meditation
Candlelight
Everyone Welcome!

The newly formed Social Concerns Committee will meet Tuesday, October 6 at 6:00 pm in the Mettam Conference Room. If you are passionate about social justice issues, please plan to attend. The group will determine the various emphasis for the group to address.

Menu for October 7 Wednesday Fellowship Dinner

Entrées:	Stuffed Chicken Breasts	\$3.00
	Meatloaf	3.00
	Chicken Alfredo	3.00
	Fried Cod	4.00
	Swedish Meatballs	3.00
	Pizza Boats	3.00
Side Dishes:	Au gratin Potatoes with Onions and Sour Cream	\$1.00
	Steamed Vegetables	1.00
	Whole Kernel Corn	1.00
	Fruit Cobbler	1.00
	Cole Slaw	1.00
	Cut Fresh Fruit	1.00
	Chocolate Covered Rice Krispy Square	.50

The North Dakota Volunteer In Mission trip to the Spirit Lake Sioux Reservation is rapidly approaching. We leave on Wednesday, October 14, and return Sunday October 18th. We will be staying at the Mission Center we have helped renovate and will be building a couple of wheelchair ramps and decks for tribe member's homes. This year the Ministry Center especially needs disposable diapers and school supplies. Coats, hats and mittens are also needed. Any families or individuals interested in participating in or donating to this whirlwind, but important service trip, please contact dave@cumethodist.com or call 289-4019 x114.

On Sunday, October 11, 6:30-8:30 the Empty-Nester's potluck will meet at Jan and Dave Lieder's home. We'll have a pot of chili cooking and feel free to bring anything else you like. For more information, contact dave@cumethodist.com, 289-4019 x114, or 533-6719. Hope to see you there

Membership Inquiry Brunch - Have you been visiting Christ Church and have questions about membership? Do you have questions about Christ Church in general? We'd love to get to know you over brunch and answer any questions you may have. Please join us for brunch today at 10:15 in the Fireside Room. New members will be joining on October 11. If you would like to join, but are unable to attend the brunch, please contact Pastor Amanda at 289-4019x111 or Amanda@cumethodist.com.

UMW Quilters will begin meeting the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month at 1:00 pm in the Hamline Room on October 13

Transportation Ministry Update!

Christ Church has purchased a new (to us) van. Seat belts have been installed, but we need drivers. Class D license required and current insurance information. We need volunteers to serve on the new Transportation Ministry Team. We're also needing van housing for winter if you know of a space. And we also need continuing and growing financial support (cans, memorials, etc). Please see the table in the Commons if you can answer this ministry calling.

What Does the Bible Have to do With Life Today? Find out on Saturdays, October 10 and November 7, 9:30 – 3:30 pm here at Christ United Methodist Church. Questions? Call Renee Flesner at 651-255-6138F or rflesner@unitedseminary.edu. For more information or to register go to www.unitedseminary.edu/or

Electronic Funds Transfer. Members of the finance team are in the commons to help you set up electronic transfers for your monthly offerings. For more information please stop by and talk to a finance team member.

Parish Nurse Notes

Fire Prevention Week - October 4-10, 2009



Most fire ignitions were estimated to have occurred in the first 15 minutes of cooking and in six of seven fires the cook was outside of the kitchen. Some of the most common reasons people give for kitchen fires in their house are that they forgot that something was cooking, was distracted by children, distracted by the television, or distracted by phone calls.

Some ways to reduce the risk of a fire at your house associated with cooking are:

- ✓ Regular cleaning of cooking equipment so that there are no cooking materials, food items, or grease on or around cooking equipment.
- ✓ Making sure not to overfill pots so as to reduce the risk of boil-over.
- ✓ Heating materials at the indicated temperature settings rather than at high settings, which may cook faster but may add to the risk if cooking is left unattended.
- ✓ Making sure combustibles of all kinds-rags and pot holders, curtains, bags, etc. - are kept well away from cooking surfaces.

Source: National Fire Protection Association
provided by Olmsted County Public Health Service