Welcome to Christ UMC. We are glad you are here!

Children are always welcome in worship. Activity packs are available near the Sanctuary entrance.

A nursery play space with a live stream of the worship service is open throughout the morning and is adjacent to the church office.

RPS Referendum Info Session Today at 10:15 am in Wesley Hall. Superintendent Dr. Kent Pekel will join us for an information session on the upcoming RPS referendum and proposed technology levy. Dr. Pekel will take questions and share information about the purpose of the levy as well as the financial impact for Rochester homeowners and businesses.

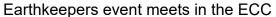
<u>Blessing of the Animals Service</u> Join us at Soldier's Field at 3pm today for our annual Blessing of the Animals service. All pets are welcome! We will also take time to give thanks for beloved companions who are no longer with us. Contact Pastor Jenny for more information.

MEA Day of Service On Thursday, October 19, a group from our church will work on projects with our Thrive and Thrift on 5th ministries and head up to the Cities for Feed My Starving Children. We have 10 remaining spots for kids 3rd grade and up. Parents are not required to attend, and drop off is flexible. We plan to be back around 5:00pm.To sign up email Pastor Amanda.

<u>Lay Visitors and Care Visitors Fall Gathering</u> There will be a Lay Visitors and Care Visitors Fall Gathering on October 14 from 10-11:15am in Mettam.

<u>Socktober</u> We're supporting the Rochester Community Warming Center this month with donations of new tube and winter socks, pump bottles, and travel size shampoo, conditioner and body wash. The orange pumpkin Socktober container will be in the Commons through October 29 to receive your donations.















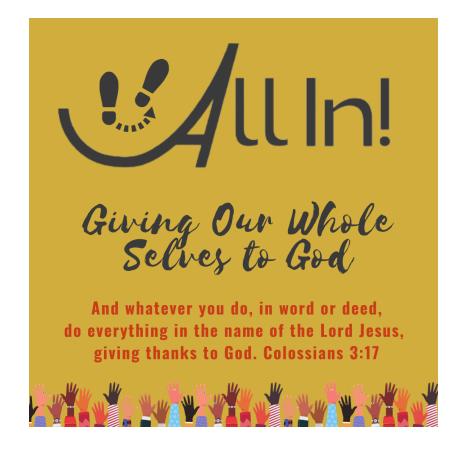
CHECK IN & CONNECT WITH US!

Thanks for worshipping with us! Scan the QR code and let us know you're here!





9:00am Traditions Worship October 8, 2023



We welcome you and name the sacred power of the Wahpeton people on whose land we stand

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Christ United Methodist Church

With open hearts, open minds and open doors, we welcome people of all races, nationalities, theologies and abilities. We welcome people of all sexual orientations and gender identities. We offer a safe and compassionate place to reconcile faith, identity, hope, understanding and mutual respect.

Prelude "Rêverie"

John Varona, Organ David Townsend, Clarinet

Welcome Rev. Jenny Cannon, Rev. Kirkland Reynolds

*Opening Hymn "All Creatures of Our God and King" UMH 62

+Morning Prayer

Children's Message Jody Peterson

Following the Children's Message, preschool aged children and children in elementary are invited to Sunday School in the Education Wing. Children may be picked up in their classrooms after worship.

Invitation to Give

Stewardship Witness Kathy Wallen

Offertory Music "Sonata in E Flat" John Varona, Organ Johann Sebastian Bach David Townsend, Clarinet

*Doxology UMH 94

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!

*Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Nancy Wheeler Handlon

Hearing the Word Colossians 3:15-17 Ted Davis

*Hymn "Open My Eyes, That I May See" UMH 454

Hearing the Word

Luke 18:18-30

Responding to the Word

One: For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us,

for the word of God within us.

All: Thanks be to God.

Message "You Put Your Whole Self In?!" Rev. Jenny Cannon

*Closing Hymn "Go Forth for God" UMH 670

Connections & Next Steps

Benediction

Postlude "Festive Clarinet Tune" John Varona, Organ
David German David Townsend, Clarinet

*indicates please stand as you are able

+Morning Prayer adapted from Lancelot Andrews

The flowers on the altar are given by the Williams family in honor of Aileen Williams' 90th birthday

In honor of Aileen Williams on her birthday, today's Radio Ministry is given by the Tuesday afternoon Covenant group members:

Linda Hyde, Mary Schmidt, Pam Lund, Pat Hrabe, Peggy Milbrandt, Terry Anderson

We invite you to join us for coffee and conversation after today's worship service You are welcome to remain seated or to depart during the postlude

Congregational Prayers

- Celebrating Thrive's 5th anniversary and gala this past Saturday
 - Celebrating Aileen Williams' 90th birthday
- Prayers of comfort for the family of Henry Bartel who died Oct. 1
- Comfort for those who have experienced pregnancy and infant loss



If you would like to sponsor this ministry, please send an email to our Director of Operations, Jack Jefferson at jack@cumethodist.com. The 9am service airs Sundays @11:30am on KOLM radio 1520 AM. (\$60)