



Christ United Methodist Church

Love Is the Way

October 17, 2021
9:00am Traditions Worship

Prelude *The Church's One Foundation* Kevin McChesney
Chancel Choir

Welcome Rev. Jenny Cannon

Call to Worship

One: The love of Jesus Christ calls us together.
Many: **The love of Jesus Christ shines in our lives.**
One: Proclaim the good news with boldness.
Many: **The love of Jesus Christ is at work in the world!**

Hymn *Love Divine All Loves Excelling* UMH 384

Children's Lesson Jody Peterson
Children and families are invited to use our weekly Children's Bulletin for special activities that connect with worship and the children's message

Commissioning Lay Caregivers

One: Dear Friends, you have been called by God and chosen by the people of God for leadership as a caregiver in the church. This ministry is a blessing and a responsibility. It recognizes your gifts and calls you to work among and for God's people.
Many: **In love we thank you for responding to this call and challenge you to offer your best to the Lord, the people, and our ministry in the world. Live a life in Christ and make Christ known in your witness and work.**

Morning Prayer Rev. Nancy Wheeler Handlon

One: (...)as we pray together the prayer which Jesus taught saying:
Many: **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.**

Hearing the Word Mark 12:28-31 Jacob Holman
First Nations Version

Call to Offering Rev. Kirkland Reynolds

Musical Offering *Alleluia from Exsultate Jubilate*
Mozart, arr. M.L. Thompson
Celebration Bells

Hearing the Word 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 Mary Johnson
First Nations Version

Anthem *The Gift of Love*
Chancel Choir

Message "Love is the Way" Rev. Jenny Cannon

Litany of Commitment (responsive, words on screen)
adapted from *Litany: A Meditation on Love* by Fran Pratt <http://www.franpratt.com/litanies/2016/3/22/3sxzn1pnu6mtfpdfzj56b2zwoxbrb>

Hymn *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* UMH 140

Benediction

Postlude *Fanfare* Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens
John Varona, Organ

Thank you for worshipping with us!

SCAN TO GIVE ONLINE:



Give in-person in the Narthex after the service
or online at cumethodist.com/give

Congregational Prayers:

Prayers of healing for Debbie Matzke diagnosed with cancer
For those who struggle to make ends meet
Gratitude for the Caring Ministry Visitors of CUMC
For those feeling called to serve with the Appalachian Service Project (ASP)

CUMC Caring Ministry Lay Caregivers:

Parish Ministers:

Jeff Ward, Deedee Odell, Terry Anderson, Noralyn Carpenter

Lay Visitors:

Elaine Bauman, Glenn and Linda Roberts, Deb Jensen, Diane Houdek,
Gwen Scilley, Ann McGuire

Van Ministry:

Glenn Roberts, Del Lawson, Patrick Hokanson, Randy Peterson, Jenna
Benson, Kathy Stettler

Callers:

Elaine Bauman, Chuck Handlon

Ministry Updates:

- **Third Sunday Forum today at 10:00am.** Join us after the service for this month's Third Sunday Forum, "Instruments of Grace." Join in person in the ECC (across the commons), or on [Zoom](#). Member of Christ Church, and leader of the Community Healers team, Dr. Daphne Soleil will lead a discussion of faith and caregiving.
- **ASP Information Meeting - today at 4:30pm,** we will have an informational session in the ECC. Please come, please invite friends to come and come even if you can't go on ASP this year but want to be part of supporting the teams. Due to the pandemic, we have lost two years of enthusiastic storytellers recruiting new people to our ASP mission teams.
- **Handbells: Try Before You Buy! Starts today at 10:15am!** We'll practice for four weeks, then play at the 9:00am service on Nov 14 - then we're done! **No experience required.**



Bring your dogs, cats, lizards, hamsters or any other beloved animals that can be safely transported to our Blessing of the Animals service at Soldiers Field Park. You are also welcome to bring a photo of your pet or join us without an animal and be part of the fun.

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Sunday October 17, 2021

- 9:00am ~ Traditions Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 10:00am ~ Third Sunday Forum (ECC)
- 11:00am ~ Arise Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 3:00pm ~ Blessing of the Animals Service (Soldier's Field Park)
- 4:30pm ~ ASP Information Session

Monday October 18, 2021

- 10:00am ~ Women's Connect Group (Zoom)
- 11:15am ~ Monday Men's Discussion Group (Zoom)
- 5:30pm ~ All Church Read Discussion Group (Zoom)

Tuesday October 19, 2021

- 1:00pm ~ Covenant Group (Zoom)
- 4:30pm ~ Hopeful EarthKeepers Monthly Meeting (Zoom)
- 7:00pm ~ All Church Read Discussion Group (Zoom)
- 8:00pm ~ Pastoral Devotional (Church Facebook)

Wednesday October 20, 2021

No CU Wednesday children or youth activities

- 10:00am ~ Online Knitting Group (WebEx)
- 6:00pm ~ Celebration Bells Rehearsal (Bell Room)
- 7:00pm ~ Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
- ~ Genesis Conversation (Zoom)
- 8:00pm ~ Pastoral Devotional (Church Facebook)

Thursday October 21, 2021

- 8:00am ~ Men's Coffee Group (Room 145)
- 8:30am ~ Gardening Team Work (Meet in East Lot)
- ~ Covenant Group (Zoom)
- ~ UMW Circle 2 (Fireside)
- 10:30am ~ UMW Circle 8 (Fireside)
- 1:30pm ~ Ruth Circle (Fireside)
- 4:00pm ~ Women's Connect Group (Zoom)
- 7:00pm ~ UMW Circle 4 (WebEx)
- 8:00pm ~ Pastoral Devotional (Church Facebook)

Friday October 22, 2021

- 10:00am ~ Rug Hooking Group (Room 145)
- ~ Women & the Sacred (Fireside)

Saturday October 23, 2021

- 7:30am ~ Saturday Noon Meals (Prep at CUMC, serve at the Landing)

Sunday October 24, 2021

- 9:00am ~ Traditions Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 10:00am ~ Contemporary Issues (Room 146)
- 10:15am ~ Inquiring Spirits (Room 145)
- 11:00am ~ Arise Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 1:30pm ~ Youth Haunted Hallway Trunk or Treat Setup
- 3:00pm ~ Trunk or Treat Setup & Car decoration
- 3:30pm ~ Trunk or Treat (East Lot and Labyrinth)



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 Sunday @11:30AM on KOLM radio. 1520 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

- **All Saints Sunday** You are invited to attend our special in-person or online All Saints Sunday service on Sunday, November 7th 2021 at 9:00 or 11:00 am. We will name, remember, and celebrate our saints who have gone before us.
- **We're looking for writers and creators of all ages for our Advent Devotional** as we reflect on the theme of Thresholds: Entering the Christmas Story. Written reflections (200 words or less) drawings, photos or poetry are all ways you can participate and we'll offer a scripture to help inspire your work. Contact the church office to sign up. Submissions are due by Nov. 1.
- **There will be no CU Wednesdays children or youth activities this week in observance of MEA weekend**
- **We're Hiring! Apply Today to Join Our Team.** Christ UMC is hiring for our Director of Youth Ministries position, which is 30 hours per week. The Director of Youth Ministries supports CUMC's mission by fostering an engaging, fun, safe and inclusive environment for youth faith formation. Head to cumethodist.com/career-opportunities to view the full position description. Contact Pastor Kirkland to apply or for more info.



- **Thrift on Fifth Sidewalk Sales are coming!** Join us for Thrift on Fifth Sidewalk sales on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of November from 9am-Noon. We are appreciative of all the amazing donations we have been getting. We are especially looking for warm coats and jackets for all ages and for cold weather clothing in child and teen sizes. We will move inside during inclement weather.



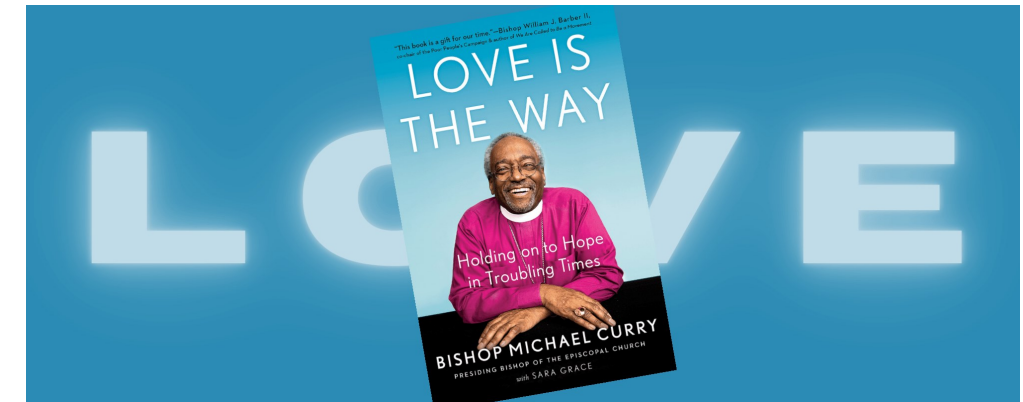
- **Green Tip of the Week from EarthKeepers:** "We must protect the forests for our children, grandchildren and children yet to be born. We must protect the forests for those who can't speak for themselves such as the birds, animals fish, and trees."
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Creating committed Christ Followers for the transformation of the world.

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So don't give up on love.

Listen to it.

Trust it.

Give into it.

Obeys it.

Love can help and heal when nothing else can. Love can lift up and liberate when nothing else will. May God love you and bless you. And may God hold us all in those almighty hands of love.

~ Bishop Michael Curry

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.

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