

**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.

**Theology on Brew** Join Pastor Jenny, Pastor Kirkland, and friends from CUMC on Thursday, November 9th at 507 (Pub)lic House at 304 1st Ave SW for a time of connecting and conversation over life, theology, and everything. Young and young-at-heart adults are welcome.

**Family Promise Concert & Silent Auction** Join us on Saturday, November 11th from 11:30am to 3pm. The concert will feature the band "A Sign Ahead" as well as a number of local groups, church choirs, and the Rochester Area Handbell choir. There will be a time for Family Promise to share about their mission and future plans in addition to a goodwill offering. The concert is free to attend, and all proceeds will go to Family Promise to help families experiencing homelessness.

**Christmas Poinsettia Orders** It's time to order Christmas poinsettias from Christ UMC! These flowers will be on display in worship through Christmas Eve. Flowers may also be dedicated in memory or honor of someone. You may pick up your flowers after the 10pm worship on Sunday, December 24 or you may donate them to homebound and bereaved members. Each plant is \$20. Paper order forms are available here in your bulletin, at the front desk, or click the link on the homepage of our website to order. **Last day to order is November 20th.**

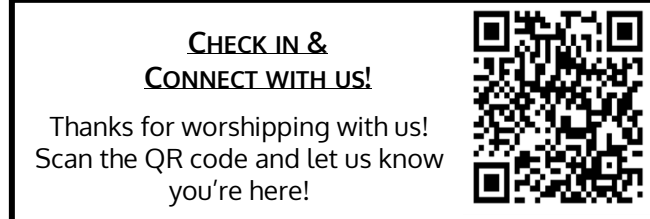
**Riverside Elementary Walking School Bus** Riverside Elementary is planning to start a Walking School Bus to help children from the nearby neighborhood have safe transportation to school each day. They are looking for adults who can commit to walking with a small group of students and staff, once or twice a week from 8:15-9:30 am. Contact Pastor Jenny if you're able to help.

**Faith in Your Home for the Holidays** Join us Sunday, November 12, 4:30-6:00pm in Wesley Hall for a special intergenerational workshop to help us all find ways to center faith in our home during the holidays. All ages from children to adults are encouraged to attend. Have you experienced awkward silence following a family meal prayer with guests? Is the commercial Christmas pushing into Thanksgiving and Advent in your life? Join us for conversation, practical tools (as well as a few crafts) to keep faith centered in our homes during the holidays.



**The Upper Room Disciplines 2024** The Upper Room Disciplines devotional book for 2024 is now available for purchase in the church office. Small print is \$13 and large print is \$16. You can also order it as an eBook for \$9.99 from Cokesbury or Upper Room, or \$8.49 on Amazon for the Kindle. Daily devotions, useful for individual or small group study with questions and suggestions for reflection.

**Community Thanksgiving Service November 21, 7pm** Join us for this annual event sharing gratitude and prayers for peace in our local community and the world. This year we'll gather in Wesley Hall for a shared time of music, prayers, conversation and fellowship. As part of our time together we'll enjoy pie and coffee and collect a special offering for Channel One. Please contact the church office if you are able to donate pies (pumpkin, apple, or pecan, please do not use lard as they must be kosher and halal) or can help provide hospitality for the evening.



**9:00am Traditions Worship**  
**November 5, 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** "Prelude on 'Sine nomine'" John Varona, Organ  
Phil Lehenbauer

**Welcome** Rev. Jenny Cannon, Rev. Kirkland Reynolds

**\*Opening Hymn** "For All the Saints" UMH 711

**+Morning Prayer**

**Special Music** "Grandeur" Progression Bells

**Children's Choir** "Hymn of Promise" Karla Sukov

**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

*You may make a pledge by using our online pledge card at [cumethodist.com/give](http://cumethodist.com/give) or the paper pledge cards located in the Commons. At the link above, you may also review additional financial information about CUMC. Thank you for sharing your gifts with CUMC!*

**Offertory Music** "One Day I'll Join You There" John Lage Jr.  
John Lage Jr.

**\*Doxology** UMH 94

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Hearing the Word** Matthew 5:1-12

**+Pastoral Prayer** Rev. Nancy Wheeler Handlon

**The Lord's Prayer** UMH 895

## 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** "Blessed" Rev. Jenny Cannon

**Roll Call of the Saints Departed**

**Invitation to Candlelighting**

**\*Closing Hymn** "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" FWS 2171

**Connections & Next Steps**

**Benediction**

**Postlude** Fantasy on 'Sine nomine' John Varona, Organ  
Michael Bedford

\*indicates please stand as you are able

+Morning Prayer by Fran Pratt, [www.franpratt.com](http://www.franpratt.com)

+Pastoral Prayer adapted from "The Abingdon Worship Annual," edited by Mary J. Scifres and B.J. Beu, Copyright © Abingdon Press. and Rev Abi's Long and Winding Road. <http://vicarofwadley.blogspot.ca/>

*Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by Joyce Sharp, in memory of Bob Dunn*

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

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### Congregational Prayers

- For saints who have nurtured our faith
- For the Lombardo Family with the passing of Therese Lombardo, Phil's mother
  - For those living with dementia, for their loved ones and caregivers
- For the witness of Indigenous People and for Native American Heritage Month
  - For an end to antisemitism, Islamophobia & racism
  - For peace and for wisdom for elected leaders
  - For those in need of medical care



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