

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.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner Our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner is February 13 from 5-7pm in Wesley Hall. Please join us for pancakes, community, and a chance to help our Appalachia Service Project team travel and serve in Kentucky in July 2024. The meal includes pancakes & toppings, sausage, milk and juice. A freewill offering of \$10 per person is suggested. For more info, please contact Pastor Amanda pastoramanda@cumethodist.com.

Lent Read We'll be using the book "Forgiveness: A Lenten Study" by Marjorie J. Thompson through the season of Lent. Discussion groups will be in-person in the Fireside Room Sundays from 10:15 am (between church services) or on [Zoom](#) (meeting id 879 5667 5126) Sundays from 4:30-5:30pm. Books are available for \$10 in the office.

Easter Flower Orders Easter flower order forms are available at the church office and online at <https://cumethodist.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/92/responses/new>. Lilies are \$15, mums and cyclamens are \$20. You will have the opportunity to dedicate the plant to a loved one or donate them to a homebound member. Please call the office (507-289-4019) with any questions. Last day to order is Sunday, March 10th!

CUMC New Members Class February 25 & March 3 12:00-2:00pm Would you like to know more about CUMC or explore what it means to be a member? Join Pastors Jenny & Kirkland for our next New Members Class. RSVP to the church office. Lunch & childcare provided.

Music at CUMC The next Rochester Music Guild Listen & Learn Series is Friday, February 16 from 12pm-1pm in the sanctuary. Brenda Sevcik from Savage, MN will be performing. Free and open to the public. For more info, visit rochestermusicguild.org.

Girl Scout Cookies Join us Sundays, February 25th and March 10th for a Girl Scout Cookie Sale! Cookies will be available in between morning services from 10am-11am.

Ash Wednesday February 14th

ABC'S OF LENT 8AM-11AM

Come by the church on Ash Wednesday for some ABC's (ashes, bagels and coffee) to start the season in a meaningful way. We'll have bagels, coffee and conversation in the Commons and the Sanctuary will be open for reflection, prayer, and the imposition of ashes.

ASHES DOWNTOWN 12PM-1PM

Look for Pastors Jenny & Kirkland on your lunch break in the Subway near Caribou and Brugger's Bagels. Receive a short prayer and the mark of ashes.

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP 7PM & LIVESTREAM

A traditional Ash Wednesday Worship service including music, prayers, scripture and the imposition of ashes.



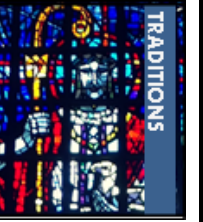
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CONNECT WITH US!**

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



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Creating committed Christ followers for the transformation of the world



9:00am Traditions Worship

February 11, 2024

**To TELL The
TRUTH**

**God Said It, I Believe It,
That Settles It?**

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

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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 "I'm Just a Poor Wayfaring Stranger" Tammy Waldrop
Celebration Bells

Welcome Rev. Jenny Cannon, Rev. Kirkland Reynolds

***Opening Hymn** "We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding" FWS 2103

Morning Prayer UMH 259

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

Offertory Music "Be Still My Soul" (Finlandia) Jean Sibelius
Celebration Bells arr Cathy Moglebust

***Doxology** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 94

*Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer

***Hymn** "Blessed Jesus at Thy Word" UMH 596

Hearing the Word 2 Timothy 3:16-17 Rebecca Harrington
Matthew 17:1-8

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 "To Tell the Truth: God Said It, I Believe It, That Settles It?"
Rev. Kirkland Reynolds

***Closing Hymn** "How Can We Name a Love" UMH 111

Connections and Next Steps

Benediction

Postlude Jan Matson, Piano

*indicates please stand as you are able

Guest Musician in Worship Join us in welcoming Jan Matson who is participating in worship today at the piano. Jan has a long history with music, including being the Music Director for many of the Rochester Civic Theatre productions.

You are welcome to remain seated or to depart during the postlude



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. (\$70)

Congregational Prayers

- For Wailana Barker on the death of her son David Barker on February 5th
 - Gratitude for leaders and volunteers in the church
 - For neighbors experiencing food or housing insecurity
- For leaders, officials, and public servants who serve the community
 - For the ongoing work of racial justice
- For peace and negotiations for peace in the Middle East