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.

Annual Meeting Today We invite you to our annual church conference meeting, which is today following our two worship services. The theme this year is "All You Need Is Love." The meeting begins with a community potluck meal and we will begin our annual meeting work at 12:30pm in person and on Zoom (https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82509570787#success). Childcare provided.

<u>2023 Giving Statements</u> We will be mailing out 2023 Giving Statements next week. If you have an immediate need or question, <u>contact</u> Jack Jefferson at the church office at 507-289-4019.

How Civil Wars Start and How to Stop Them Join Reverend Gary Lueck in searching for answers on how to stop civil wars with the book, "How Civil Wars Start: And How to Stop Them" by Barbara F. Walter. Join us today from 4:30 – 6:00pm, in-person in Room 145 and on Zoom (https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89588011310?pwd=b3JiSVNtUCthQzV4aWZ1dmdqOGIUdz09. Meeting ID 895 8801 1310 Passcode: stopwars.) The book can be purchased from any major bookseller.

<u>Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner</u> Please join us for pancakes, community, and a chance to help our Appalachia Service Project team travel and serve in Kentucky in July 2024. Our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner is February 13 from 5-7pm in Wesley Hall. 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.

<u>Lent Read</u> Lent begins on Feb. 14th. We'll be using the book "Forgiveness: A Lenten Study" by Marjorie J. Thompson as our guide for the season. Study will be in-person in the Fireside Room Sundays at 10:15 am (between church services) and on Zoom (https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87956675126?
pwd=dXdsZzNXVFg0Z3B4WEl2SnN3UWsyUT09#success) Sundays at 4:30-5:30pm. Books are available for \$10 in the office.

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.
Their featured guest this month is
John Varona! Free and open to the
public. For more info, visit
rochestermusicguild.org.

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



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.









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 February 4, 2024

ToTELLThe TRUTH

Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin?

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 "Holy, Holy, Holy" Michael Burkhardt Kristy Giere, Organ

Welcome Rev. Jenny Cannon, Rev. Kirkland Reynolds

*Opening Hymn "Morning Has Broken" UMH 145

Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism

Wesley August He Gregg & Maisie Mei Gregg Children of Amy He and Nicholas Gregg

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

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

Chancel Choir

Jackie Robie, Flute

Paul Sjolund

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

*Prayer of Dedication

+Prayer of Confession

Hearing the Word

Luke 18:9-14

Matthew 7:1-5

Brian Webb

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.**

*Hymn "Be Thou My Vision" UMH 451

Message

"To Tell the Truth: Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin?" Rev. Jenny Cannon

Holy Communion

All are welcome to receive communion, which is served with bread and nonalcoholic grape juice. Gluten free also available.

Music During Communion "In Remembrance of Me" Buryl Red

Jackie Robie, Flute

"Let Us Break Bread Together" UMH 618

Chancel Choir

*Closing Hymn "This Little Light of Mine" UMH 585 (alternate tune)

Connections and Next Steps

Benediction

Postlude "Festive Gloria" Aaron David Miller Kristy Giere, Organ

*indicates please stand as you are able

+Prayer of Confession adapted from John van de Laar, and posted on Sacredise.com

Guest Musician in Worship Join us in welcoming Kristy Giere who is participating in worship today at the organ. Kristy is an accomplished musician and is recently retired from Zumbro Lutheran Church.

Our hymns today were selected by the Matulis and King family who won the chance to select music for worship through our Thrive Auction Gala

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

Congregational Prayers

- Gratitude for Peggy Johnson, our new Minister of Congregational Care
 - Peace in the Middle East
 - Healing and hope for those who have been hurt by the church
- For the celebration of Black History Month and the ongoing work of racial justice
 - For the family of Helen Olsen on her death January 10th
 - For the family of Darlene Miller on her death January 10th
- For Judy Plank and Angela White on the death of Judy's mother and Angela's grandmother Trudy Jewell on January 28th