

**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.

**ASP Caramel Roll Sales on Easter Sunday** Buy more and save! 1 for \$2, 4 for \$5, 10 for \$10. Sale begins at 9:45am Easter morning and continues until sold out! All proceeds benefit our ASP team.

**Still We Rise Exhibit's Last Day at CUMC** The Rochester Black Legacy exhibit is a traveling show-case of the key leaders and events that have shaped the local community and its history. It is the creation of Pastor Andre Crockett Sr. and CUMC member Nicole Asong Nfonoyim-Hara. Several CUMC families are also featured in the exhibit, including Joyce and George Gibbs and Lew and Sandra Means.

**CU Wednesday Resumes April 10** CU Wednesday activities for children, youth, and the disciple Bible study will take the next week off and resume April 10. Contact Pastor Amanda for more info.

**Children's Sunday School Resumes April 7** Sunday school classes for children will take Easter Sunday off and resume Sunday, April 7. Worship activity packs and a nursery space for young children (with a livestream of the worship service) are available. Contact Jody Peterson ([jody@cumethodist.com](mailto:jody@cumethodist.com)) or Pastor Amanda ([pastoramanda@cumethodist.com](mailto:pastoramanda@cumethodist.com)) for more information.

**Save the Date for Summer Church Events!**

**June 16-21** Camp Week at Northern Pines. With three camps to choose from this week, our 3rd-12th graders will be having some great adventures. Visit [www.campminnesota.org](http://www.campminnesota.org) for more info or talk to Pastor Amanda ([pastoramanda@cumethodist.com](mailto:pastoramanda@cumethodist.com)).

**July 31-August 4** Christ UMC in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness. This is a base camp, intergenerational, all ages experience with paddling in the BWCA, hiking to waterfalls, and time to connect with God and others. Talk to Pastor Amanda to reserve your spot.

**August 5-9** Just Like Me Vacation Bible School for potty-trained children through rising 5th graders. 6th grade and up are invited to be servant leaders. We are excited about our gardening themed VBS from the national Reconciling Ministries group.

**CUMC Foundation College Scholarship** The Barbara Griffith Peterson Memorial Scholarship supports students entering their second year or beyond of undergraduate studies. This scholarship provides \$1,000 for a member of the CUMC community who meets the eligibility requirements. Visit [cumethodist.com/foundation](http://cumethodist.com/foundation) for the application and to learn more. Deadline to apply is May 31, 2024.

**Connect with CUMC this Spring in Rochester** CUMC will have a presence at EarthFest (5/4), Rochester Pride (5/18), the NAACP Juneteenth Celebration (6/15), and Rochesterfest. We hope to connect with you at these events.

**Church Office Closed Monday, April 1st** Normal hours resume Tuesday, April 2nd.

**Contemporary Issues General Conference Discussion** On Sunday April 28th, The Contemporary Issues adult discussion class will meet at 10:10am in Wesley Hall and on [Zoom](https://zoom.us/j/81418448754) (Meeting ID 814 1844 8754) to discuss the General Conference, the top policy making body of The United Methodist Church, that will meet in Charlotte, North Carolina, April 23 - May 3.

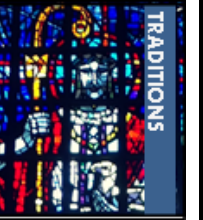


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Thanks for worshipping with us!  
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know you're here!



Christ United Methodist Church

Creating committed Christ followers for the transformation of the world



**9:00am Traditions Worship**

**March 31, 2024**



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

## 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** "Fanfare and Processional" by Lynn Trapp  
John Varona, Organ

### +Call to Worship

**\*Opening Hymn** "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" UMH 302  
vs.1-4

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

### Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism

*Elsie Sinclair Wilson daughter of Jackson and Haley Wilson*

**Children's Message** Jody Peterson, Rev. Amanda Larsen

### Invitation to Give

**Offertory Music** "Canzon Bergamasque" by Samuel Scheidt  
Brass Quintet arr. Philip Jones

**\*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

**The Lord's Prayer** UMH 895

**Easter Fanfare** John Varona

**Hearing the Word** John 20:1-18

### 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** "The Strife Is O'er" UMH 306

**Message** "The Eyes and The Impossible" Rev. Jenny Cannon

### Connections and Next Steps

**\*Closing Hymn** "Hallelujah Chorus"  
*All are welcome to join the choir in singing. Copies of the music are available up front.*

### Benediction

**Postlude** "Sing" by David Wilcox  
Chancel Choir  
"Toccata (Symphony No. 5)" by Charles-Marie Widor  
John Varona, Organ

\*indicates please stand as you are able

### Guest Musicians in Worship

**Organ:** John Varona

**Brass Quintet Members:** Micah Johnson, trumpet, Mark Hanson, trumpet, Amanda Kause, French horn, Myra Lee, trombone, Mitch Stevenson, tuba

**Timpani:** Scott Kovar, **Clarinet:** David Townsend

+Call to Worship written by Nancy C. Townley, and posted on the [Worship Connection](#) page of the Ministry Matters website.

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](mailto:jack@cumethodist.com). The 9am service airs Sundays @11:30am on KOLM radio 1520 AM. (\$70)

### In Our Prayers This Week

For the community of Baltimore

For the family of Ron Guderian on his death on March 23rd

For our unhoused neighbors

### Prayers for Our Connection & World

For peace in Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, and Haiti

For the United Methodist Church and the 2024 General Conference

For the Minnesota Annual Conference

For Christians around the world celebrating Easter