

Welcome to Christ UMC. We are glad you are here!

Children are always welcome in worship. Our nursery is adjacent to the church office. Activity packs are available near the Sanctuary entrance. There are always two adults in our nursery. You may stay with your child if you like.

Third Sunday Forum Today Join us at 10am in Wesley Hall or [Zoom](#) for our presentation on "Southeastern Minnesota Center for Independent Living." SEMCIL was created by people with disabilities, for people with disabilities to establish civil rights and individual control. It is a nonprofit organization providing services and supports to people of any age with all disabilities.

CU Summer Wednesday August 23rd Slip & Slide into the school year! Meet us on the church grounds from 6:30-7:30pm for an hour of slip and slide fun. Parents will have the opportunity to reconnect and learn more about our fall plans for church. We are putting the finishing touches on all Fall and Winter programming. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Amanda pastoramanda@cumethodist.com.

Children's Ministry Playground Meet-Up Come meet up with Ms. Jody and other children and families at CUMC at 10am on Sunday, August 27th on the church playground. No program or agenda, just a chance to let kids play and families get to know each other! Contact Ms. Jody at jody@cumethodist.com with any questions.

Thrift on Fifth Our end of summer sale has started! Join us now through August 30th. All items will be half price. We're getting ready for your donations of fall and winter items. And if you have any backpacks you're not using, either child or adult size, we'd be happy to find them a new home. Thanks for being such a generous congregation.

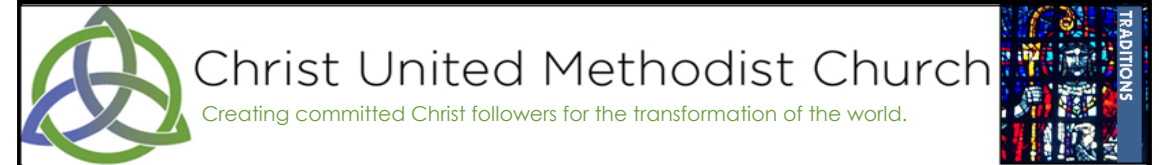
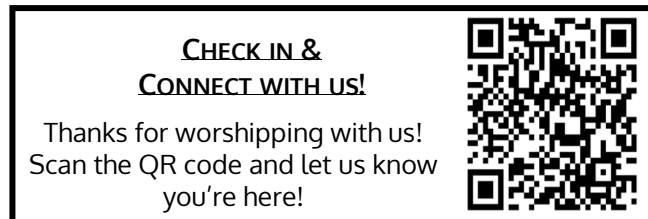
Concert on Sept. 10th Save the date for a concert with song writer, composer, artist and church musician Ken Medema, Sunday September 10th at 3pm. Tickets can be purchased using the QR code and at the church office for \$5. Learn more about Ken at kenmedema.com. Ken will also be our guest in both services.



Thrive Gala is in need of auction items! Thrive is turning five this Fall and will celebrate with a fundraising gala plus a silent, live and online auction on Oct. 7th. What we need: New items, individual items or basket of assorted/related items. Events such as sport or theater tickets, gourmet dinners, etc. Places to go: a weekend condo, cabin, hotel package. Gift cards to your favorite restaurants or entertainment venue. If you have items for the auction or questions, please contact Jennifer Hazelton 507-251-3177.

Golden Member Celebration On August 27th we'll celebrate long-term members of CUMC, especially those who have been members for 50 years or more. A reception will take place in the Commons between services. In worship we'll also highlight the gifts and ministries of older adults in the church.

Backpack Blessing Students of all ages are invited to bring their backpacks, messenger bags, or planners for a blessing of the backpacks in worship on August 27th. We'll offer a special prayer for the beginning of the school year & share backpack tags-God has your back!



9:00am Traditions Worship
August 20, 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.

Hymn Sing

Welcome

Rev. Jenny Cannon

*Opening Hymn

“God of the Ages”

UMH 698

+Prayer of Confession

Rev. Nancy Wheeler Handlon

Children’s Message

Jody Peterson

Invitation to Give

Offertory Music

Selections on “Breval Duo Number 1”

Emily Cole, violin
Matt Liston, cello

*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

Hearing the Word

Judges 4:1-22

Message

“High Stakes”

Rev. Jenny Cannon

Sung Response

“Dona Nobis”

UMH 376

*Closing Hymn

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

UMH 577

Connections & Next Steps

Benediction

Postlude

Selections on “Breval Duo Number 1”

Emily Cole, violin
Matt Liston, cello

*indicates please stand as you are able

+Prayer of Confession adapted from prayer by Dietrich Boenhoeffer

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



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. (\$60)

Congregational Prayers

- Prayers of comfort on the death of Eli Gunter, son of Jeff & Jenny who died August 14
 - For those who live with domestic violence
 - For Joyce Gibbs on her 90th birthday
- For Ben and Hilde DeWitt on their 66th Wedding Anniversary
- Continued prayers for those affected by the Maui wildfires