



Christ United Methodist Church

Labor Day Sunday

September 5, 2021

Prelude *Thy Table I Approach* Jan Bender
John Varona, Organ

Words of Welcome & Grace Rev. Jenny Cannon

Hymn *God of Grace and God of Glory*

Morning Prayer (unison) Rev. Kirkland Reynolds

O Lord, we come before you this morning with praise and thanksgiving.
Open our minds to what you have to teach us.
Open our hearts to your love,
and enable us to love you in a new and more profound way.
Open our souls to the joy that can only be found in you.
In Christ's holy name we pray. Amen.

Children's Lesson Jody Peterson

Hearing the Word Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23
Rev. Nancy Wheeler Handlon

Pastoral Prayer

Call to Offering

Musical Offering *Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service*
John Varona, Piano

Hearing the Word James 2:1-17

Message "A Tale of Two Worshippers" Rev. Jenny Cannon

The Great Thanksgiving

adapted from A Eucharistic Prayer for the Global Pandemic By Rev. Lane Cotton Winn and Rev. Juan Huertas

One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.
One: Lift up your hearts
All: We lift them up to the Lord.
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: We thank you, creator God, (...) And so with your people on earth, and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and Earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the Highest!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God.**

One: Blessed is your child, Jesus Christ (...) as we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

All: Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.

One: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and vine wherever we receive them. (...) As children of God, let us pray together the prayer that Jesus taught saying:

All: (The Lord's Prayer, words on screen)

One: As we receive our musical offering, we invite you to a time of prayer and reflection. (...) May this gift of grace continue to nourish, transform and sustain us.

All: Amen.

Musical Response *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart*
(refrain, verse 5, refrain)

Communion Prayer

Hymn *We Are Called*

Benediction

Postlude *Herr, Ich Habe Missgehandelt* Johann Crüger
John Varona, Organ

*Thank you for worshipping with us!
Please join us again.*

*Indicates to stand as you are able.

*Radio Ministry sponsored this Sunday
by Lu Gerads in memory of her husband, Ed*

Ministry Updates:

- **What's the Scoop with Children & Youth Ministry? September 8, 6-7pm in the Labyrinth.** Join our Children and Youth Ministry leaders for ice cream and conversation about the upcoming program year. You'll be able to ask questions, share ideas, and sign up for all sorts of good goings on!
- **Rally Sunday is happening - NEXT SUNDAY!** We will enjoy many outdoor festivities, games, ministry tables, and snacks. This marks the beginning of the new program year, **and the return of the 11am Arise Service!** We cannot wait for you to join us.
- **CU Wednesdays Returns September 15** (schedule and details on the back of the bulletin)
- **Thrift on Fifth Sidewalk Sale September 11 & 18 from 9:00am-Noon** Thrift on Fifth will be set up at the west entrance of the building, or in the commons in case of rain. Donations are accepted any time the church is open. Thank you for supporting this ministry and Thrive Child Care and Family Resource Center!

Congregational Prayers:

- For those whose work supports the common good
- For those suffering from natural and human disasters
- Thanksgiving for sabbath rest and renewal
- Gratitude for newcomers to our faith and our community



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STAFF DIRECTORY

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 Adult Choir: Rev. Beth Joyner*
 Arise! Music Director: Oliver Books*
 Principal Organist: John Varona*
 Handbell Ensemble Directors: Paul Kingsbury (adults)*
 & Kari Hanson (children)*

Children's Choir Director: Karla Sukov
 Sunday Morning Tech: Brent Sorgenfrie, Martin Gardner, Joel Ott

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Sunday September 5, 2021

- 9:00am ~ Sanctuary Worship
- 10:00am ~ Contemporary Issues (Room 146)
- ~ Inquiring Spirits (Room 145)

Monday September 6, 2021

Church building closed for Labor Day

Tuesday September 7, 2021

- 1:00pm ~ Covenant Group (Zoom)
- 8:00pm ~ Pastoral Devotional (Church Facebook)

Wednesday September 8, 2021

- 8:30am ~ Breakfast Fellowship (offsite)
- 10:00am ~ Executive Committee Meeting (Mettam)
- ~ Online Knitting Group (WebEx)
- 6:00pm ~ Celebration Bells Rehearsal (Bell Room)
- ~ What's the Scoop with Children & Youth Ministry (Labyrinth)
- 8:00pm ~ Pastoral Devotional (Church Facebook)

Thursday September 9, 2021

- 8:00am ~ Men's Coffee Group (Room 145)
- 8:30am ~ Gardening Team Work (Meet in East Lot)
- ~ Covenant Group (Zoom)
- 4:00pm ~ Women's Connect Group (Zoom)
- 7:00pm ~ Circle 4 Meeting (WebEx)
- 8:00pm ~ Pastoral Devotional (Church Facebook)

Friday September 10, 2021

- 10:00am ~ Rug Hooking Group (146)
- ~ Women & the Sacred (Fireside)

Saturday September 11, 2021

- 7:30am ~ Saturday Noon Meals (Prep at CUMC, serve at the Landing)
- 9:00am ~ Thrift on Fifth Sidewalk Sale (West Entrance)
- 7:00pm ~ Robert Ragoonanan Piano/Organ Recital (Sanctuary)

Sunday September 12, 2021 - Rally Sunday!

- 9:00am ~ Traditions Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 10:00am ~ Rally Sunday Activities (West Parking Lot)
- 11:00am ~ Arise Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 4:30pm ~ Youth Group (Youth Room)

Give online: CCB, our church database lets you manage your giving and see your statements in real time at <https://cumethodist.ccbchurch.com>



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 Sunday @11:30AM on KOLM radio. 1520 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

- **Robert Ragoonanan Organ & Piano Recital - September 11, 2021 ~ 7pm** Robert has found success as a conductor across the United States and Europe, conducting orchestras, choirs, new music groups, and wind ensembles.
- **CU Wednesdays returns September 15!** This fall we're meeting inside and outside We invite you to join us for CU Wednesdays: Inside Out. **CU Wednesday Schedule:**
 - **5:00pm - 5:30pm**
 - **Jubilee Bells** - A handbell choir for first through fifth graders led by Kari Hanson
 - **5:30 - 6:00pm**
 - **Outdoor Activities and Snacks** - prepackaged snacks will be provided. Children are invited to play, praise, and pray outdoors. Led by Jody Peterson, Kari Hanson, and Karla Webb
 - **6:00pm - 7:00pm**
 - **Confirmation** - A journey of faith for 8th and 9th grade students led by Pastor Jenny and Pastor Kirkland
 - **Club 6-7** - A faith and fellowship group for 6th and 7th graders led by Pastor Amanda
 - **CU Stay and Play** - a time for children and siblings of youth to play, hang out, and even catch up on homework. More information will be announced soon.
 - **6:00pm - 7:00pm**
 - **Celebration Bells** - A handbell choir for adults and youth led by Paul Kingsbury
 - **7:00pm - 8:00 pm**
 - **Chancel Choir** - A singing choir for adults and youth led by Rev. Beth Joyner
- **The 50 Year Membership Event will take place on September 23 at 2:00pm** We will be hosting our annual event honoring 50 year members in our Sanctuary this year. We will hold a program and offer a treat to-go afterwards. Please contact the church with any questions, or if you are in need of a ride. (507) 289-4019
- **The Annual Conference has returned to the "Yellow" phase. This means:**
 - **Masks are currently required in the building if you are vaccinated or unvaccinated.** Face masks are located at church building entrances. Hand sanitizer is available throughout our building
 - **Maintain physical distancing** of at least 6 feet
 - **There will be no congregational singing**
 - **Please fill out the friendship pads for contact tracing purposes**



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for the transformation of the world.



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"The apostles remembered what many modern Christians tend to forget—that what makes the gospel offensive isn't who it keeps out but who it lets in."

~ Rachel Held Evans

RALLY SUNDAY: Inside Out

9am-12pm • September 12

- Traditions Worship • 9am -
- Rally Sunday: Inside Out • 10am -
- Arise Worship • 11am -

Ministry Fair | Snacks | Coffee | Party!

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.

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