

# CHRIST

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Trinity Sunday

June 8, 2025

Father's Day

\*Please stand in body or in spirit.

10:30am Worship Service

### THE GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Phil Jennings

PRELUDE

*Surely the Presence*

Karen Murphy, Connie Van Kuren, and LaRue Wilson

INTROIT

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

UMH 61 v. 4

CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup>

Leader: God, how majestic is your name! You create, and through creation, we encounter your wisdom and power.

**People: How majestic is the name of God, our Creator!**

Leader: You redeem, and through Jesus Christ, we encounter your saving love and grace.

**People: How majestic is the name of God, our Redeemer!**

Leader: You sustains us, and through your Spirit, we encounter your renewing presence.

**People: How majestic is the name of God, our Sustainer!**

Leader: Come, let us worship the Triune God!

**People: We gather to worship God, Three-in-One and One-in-Three!**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

UMH 64

PRAYER OF INVOCATION<sup>2</sup>

**O God, we honor this day the majesty and the mystery of your name. You are both infinite and intimate, known and unknowable, transcendent and transparent. In love, you have made us your own, and invite us to join in your**

---

<sup>1</sup> Lisa Hancock, <https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/worship-planning/all-access/trinity-sunday-year-c-lectionary-planning-notes/trinity-sunday-year-c-liturgical-resources>

<sup>2</sup> Reprinted by permission of Westminster John Knox Press from Feasting on the Word® Worship Companion. Copyright 2013.

divine dance. We will never rest until we rest in you, Blessed Trinity, one God forever and ever. Amen.

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### CHILDREN'S HAPPENING

SCRIPTURE READINGS	Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31	Pew Bible 515
	Romans 5:1-5	Pew Bible 917
	*John 16:12-15	Pew Bible 879

God is still speaking. **And we are still listening. Thanks be to God!**

*GLORIA PATRI	<i>Glory Be to the Father</i>	UMH 71
SERMON	<i>The Character of the Holy Spirit</i>	Mr. Eric C. Lewis

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

HYMN OF REFLECTION	<i>Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart</i>	UMH 500
--------------------	---	---------

### CALL TO THE OFFERING<sup>3</sup>

OFFERTORY	<i>In the Garden</i>
-----------	----------------------

Karen Murphy, Connie Van Kuren, and LaRue Wilson

*DOXOLOGY	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	UMH 94
-----------	---	--------

### \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Holy God, you have poured out so much for us— the beauty of the world, the care of family and friends, meaningful labor, and the gift of the church. We give you thanks for these and many other gifts. Most especially, we thank you for pouring your love into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Through these offerings, may your love spill over in glad abundance that brings relief, renewal, and hope to those in need. In Christ's name we pray. Amen

### SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: God of wisdom

People: Hear our prayer.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

---

<sup>3</sup> Offering sequence reprinted by permission of Westminster John Knox Press from *Feasting on the Word® Worship Companion*. Copyright 2013.

PRAYER RESPONSE	<i>Holy God, We Praise Thy Name</i>	UMH 79 v. 4
*HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP	<i>How Great Thou Art</i>	UMH 77
*BENEDICTION		
*BENEDICTION RESPONSE	<i>Maker, In Whom We Live</i>	UMH 88 v. 4
*POSTLUDE		

## CHURCH EVENTS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK

*Non-weekly meetings and activities are in **bold print**.*

SUN (06/15): Worship, 10:30am

SUN (06/22): Worship, 10:30am

**Reception for Pastor Dianne, 11:45am/Emma Lang Lounge**

## *We Are All God's Children*

### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

*\* denotes member*

*Bobby Blankenship	Al Tobey	Erik T.	Lindsey Elswick
*Monta Demchak	Carol De Laat	Frank	Lindsey Parker
*Dave Dickman	Carol	Gail	Mary
*Mitzi Herrick	Caroline	Geof Funk	Mary Ellen
*Cindy Light	Chris M.	J & J	Mary W.H.
*John Motley	Darlene	Jan	Max
*Peter Oesterreich	Darlene	Jim	MJ
*Janis Pongallo	Daryana	Jim	Rosie
*Linda Prudhoe	David R.	John	Roy Buser
*DeeDee Rencehausen	Dennis	Joshua C.	Seth Buser
*Nadene & Dennis Smith	Diane	Kathy	Sheri G.
*Joan Thorkelson	Dixie	Kevin Fischer	Ted and Marie Nyland
*Galen Younkin	Doug Emery	Laurie	Tom Szor
Ukraine, Israel and Gaza	Dotty	Lee	Viola
Pastor Jason Thompson	Ed Rote	Lily Van Scyoc	

*The friends and family of Bobby Blankenship, Jr., who passed away June 1.*

## STAR WORDS

At the beginning of the year, we handed out “Star Words”. I invite you to take the word you chose and use it throughout the year as a way to center your prayer time and to be aware of God’s presence throughout the day. If you have not received a word, please let Pastor Dianne know and she will get one to you! Each week in the bulletin there will be a journal prompt or reflection question that encourages you in your use of the word.

For this week: **How would you pray that others experience the meaning of your word?**

## BOOK BAGS

Coming into summer means the Outreach Committee is getting ready to be a presence at Jefferson Rocks. Dates are to be announced, but each Thursday we provide two crafts that the children (and some parents) can enjoy. As in past years, we would like to collect back packs and school supplies to pass out on the last Thursday. There will be a bin in the back of the church for back packs and supplies. If you would prefer donating money, Gillianne and Janis Pongallo will be happy to go shopping towards the end of July. Thanks for your help.

## TAKE WHAT YOU NEED PANTRY BOX

The pantry box has become one of our most used outreach ministries! But keeping it full is a challenge. Please feel free to fill the box if you see it is empty, either from the supplies in the entryway or from your own cupboard! If you would rather, we could shop for you, just note that your monetary donation is for the pantry. Below are listed a few ideas of things you can donate. Thank you!

Canned soup  
Canned fruit  
Canned vegetables  
Cereal

Canned stew  
Canned fish  
Canned beans  
Baby Food

Peanut butter  
Pasta (most prefer whole grain)  
Rice (most prefer brown rice)  
Toiletries

## **MISSION IN ACTION**

Today, June 15, is Peace with Justice Sunday. Our Social Principles call us to love our enemies, seek justice, and serve as reconcilers of conflict. We insist that the first moral duty of all nations is to work together to resolve by peaceful means every dispute that arises between or among them. Each Annual Conference has a Peace with Justice Coordinator developing local social justice ministries. Fifty percent of the offering remains in our annual conference to support this ministry.

## **ABOUT OUR PREACHER**

Eric is a lapsed certified lay servant and is a Human Resources leader with Signature Health, Inc., in Northeast Ohio. He is the father of twin daughters who will turn 25 this summer. He and Dyann, his wife, are members of Church of the Saviour UMC and were blessed to be in ministry with Pastor Dianne during her time there and beyond. Like Pastor Dianne, Eric is an avid baseball fan but loves the Guardians, not the Red Sox.

## **RECEPTION FOR PASTOR DIANNE**

Please join us after worship on June 22 to celebrate Pastor Dianne's reappointment to our church. We will have cake, punch and fellowship in the Emma Lang lounge immediately after church.

## **FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE**

Just a reminder that I will not be changing my hours for the summer. I will remain available 9am-2pm Monday through Thursday.

Thanks, Desiree

# SERMON NOTES

# SERMON NOTES



# CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

3625 West 138th Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44111  
216.671.2600 FAX: 216.671.2601 [www.christumc.com](http://www.christumc.com)

PASTOR: *The Rev. Dianne Tobey Covault, OSL*

Cell: 216.509.4229

Email: [pastordiannetc@gmail.com](mailto:pastordiannetc@gmail.com)

Office Hours this week: Monday through Wednesday by appointment.

LITURGIST: *Phil Jennings*

USHERS: *Al Naab, Phil Jennings, John Murphy*

GREETER: *Nancy Horton*

ACOLYTES: *Ian Eagan, Ben Eagan, Eli Gadowski Littleton, TJ Wood, Grace Horton*

AUDIO and VIDEO TECHNICIANS: *John Motley, Rob Pongallo*

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: *Susan Balesky*

ORGANIST/PIANIST: *Roy Buser*

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR: *Desiree Tarpeo*

Email: [office@christumc.com](mailto:office@christumc.com)

Office Hours: *Monday-Thursday, 9:00am-2:00pm*

## GOAL - FOCUS - STRATEGIES

**GOAL:** Grow in relationship with Jesus Christ in order to change the world around us, starting with our own community.

**FOCUS:** To achieve this goal, we will prioritize reaching out to our community as essential to our personal and congregational growth as Christians.

### STRATEGIES:

1. We will build meaningful relationships with the people in our community.
2. We will strive to listen and understand the needs of our community.
3. We will use our building and resources to meet those needs in a tangible way.



QR CODE

COPYRIGHT LICENSES: CCLI 1446526, CSPL 112047, OneLicense  
A-727707

## *Christ UMC Welcomes All*

*We welcome all persons to our church without regard to race, ethnic or cultural background, social status, gender, sexual orientation, age, theological perspective, political affiliation, or other means people use to categorize or discriminate against others. For our full statement, go to our website.*

***Ask an usher if you would like a LARGE PRINT HYMNAL,  
Braille hymnal or hearing device.***