We embrace all as we journey the way of Jesus
October 24, 2021

Welcome

Prelude

\textit{In the Garden}

Toni Sheffer, piano

C. Austin Miles

\textit{arr. Bruce Greer}

Call to Worship

Prayer of the Day \textit{(responsively)} \hfill \textbf{Psalm 136:1-9 (NRSV)} \hfill Nancy Barre, Liturgist

\begin{align*}
\text{One:} & \quad \text{Give thanks to Adonai, who is good,} \\
\text{All:} & \quad \text{For eternal is God's mercy loving kindness} \\
\text{One:} & \quad \text{Give thanks to the God of gods} \\
\text{All:} & \quad \text{For eternal is God's mercy loving kindness} \\
\text{One:} & \quad \text{Give thanks to the Majesty of majesties} \\
\text{All:} & \quad \text{For eternal is God's mercy loving kindness} \\
\text{One:} & \quad \text{To the Maker of great wonders all alone} \\
\text{All:} & \quad \text{For eternal is God's mercy loving kindness} \\
\text{One:} & \quad \text{To the Maker of the heavens through understanding,} \\
\text{All:} & \quad \text{For eternal is God's mercy loving kindness} \\
\text{One:} & \quad \text{To the Spreader of the earth over the waters,} \\
\text{All:} & \quad \text{For eternal is God's mercy loving kindness} \\
\text{One:} & \quad \text{To the Maker of the great lights} \\
\text{All:} & \quad \text{For eternal is God's mercy loving kindness} \\
\text{One:} & \quad \text{The sun for sovereignty by day,} \\
\text{All:} & \quad \text{For eternal is God's mercy loving kindness} \\
\text{One:} & \quad \text{The moon and stars for sovereignty by night,} \\
\text{All:} & \quad \text{For eternal is God's mercy loving kindness}
\end{align*}

Hymn #12

\textit{I Sing the Mighty Power of God}

\textit{Isaac Watts}

Scripture \textit{(responsively)} \hfill \textbf{Psalm 136:10-26 + Additions} \hfill Nancy Barre, Liturgist

\begin{align*}
\text{One:} & \quad \text{To the smiter of Egypt through their firstborn} \\
\text{All:} & \quad \text{For eternal is God's hesed} \\
\text{One:} & \quad \text{Who brought Israel out from their midst,} \\
\text{All:} & \quad \text{For eternal is God's hesed} \\
\text{One:} & \quad \text{With a strong hand and an outstretched arm} \\
\text{All:} & \quad \text{For eternal is God's hesed} \\
\text{One:} & \quad \text{To the parter of the Reed Sea into parts} \\
\text{All:} & \quad \text{For eternal is God's hesed} \\
\text{One:} & \quad \text{And caused Israel to cross over in its midst} \\
\text{All:} & \quad \text{For eternal is God's hesed}
\end{align*}
One: And threw Pharaoh and his army into the Reed Sea
All: For eternal is God's hesed
One: Who gave us commandments that we don’t always follow
All: For eternal is God's hesed
One: To the Leader of the people leading through the wilderness
All: For eternal is God's hesed
One: To the Smiter of great kings
All: For eternal is God's hesed
One: Who slew mighty kings
All: For eternal is God's hesed
One: From Sichon, the Amorite king
All: For eternal is God's hesed
One: To Og, king of Bashan
All: For eternal is God's hesed
One: And who gave their land for an inheritance
All: For eternal is God's hesed
One: An inheritance for Israel, God’s servant
All: For eternal is God's hesed
One: Who never gave up on us even if we ourselves gave up
All: For eternal is God's hesed
One: Who took note of us when we were low,
All: For eternal is God's hesed
One: And tore us away from our oppressors
All: For eternal is God's hesed
One: Giver of bread to all flesh
All: For eternal is God's hesed
One: Give thankful praise to the God of heaven
All: For eternal is God's hesed

Sermon
Foundations — Hesed
Rev. Dr. Edward Goode

Hymn #407
How Firm a Foundation
Black Hymnal

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Hymn
In Christ Alone
Getty/Townend
arr. Wyse

Benediction

Postlude
Amazing Grace
arr. Walter Rodrigues Jr.
Max Gise, guitar

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**Announcements**

**Welcome to Christ Church**

If you'd like information about our church, you can find our online service, newsletter, and much more on the church's website: [christchurchft.org](http://christchurchft.org).

Visitors are encouraged to fill out our “Friendship Form” by scanning this QR code or going to: https://bit.ly/ccucc-welcome

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**Thanks to the Hosea’s!**

The mums on the grounds of Christ Church were generously donated by David and Marcia Hosea.

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**Discipleship Opportunities**

Each week, we have several opportunities to grow in our faith through small groups. All are welcome!

- **Sundays 9 a.m.**, Library – Currently studying The Psalms
- **Tuesdays 12 p.m.**, Parlor – Ephesians
- **Wednesdays 3 p.m.**, Zoom – *We Make the Road by Walking* by Brian McLaren


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**Prayer Changes Us**

Covenant Cluster Prayer Partner:
Washington UCC, Cincinnati, OH

Prayer Requests:

We also pray for the victims of Hurricane Ida, including the Little Farms UCC church in Metaire, LA which was damaged.

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**Ken Himes Turns 100!**

What an exciting year for Ken Himes. He was an honoree at the Fort Thomas Fourth of July parade as the oldest WW2 Veteran in Fort Thomas and he'll be turning 100 years old this month!

Carol, Ken, and his family would like to invite you to celebrate his 100th birthday after church on October 31. We'll meet in Hoffman Hall to share his 100th Birthday cake.

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**Invitation to a Book Discussion**

The *New York Times* has a bestseller, *These Truths* by Jill Lepore. The one-volume history book promises to be thought-provoking judging by the many positive reviews. Lepore is a Harvard historian, a *New Yorker* staff writer, and a two-time Pulitzer Prize finalist. If you’re interested, send Donna Hoffman an email at: Sumytra@fioptics.com or call.

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