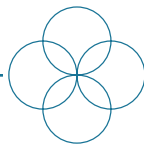


We embrace all as we journey
the way of Jesus



CHRIST
CHURCH UCC



July 30, 2023

Welcome

Prelude

“Adagio cantabile” from Sonata Pathétique, Op. 13

Ludwig van Bethoven

Toni Sheffer, piano

Call to Worship

Barry Petracco

One: Here today there is love, freely available to all. Not our human loving, fragile and intermittent, but God’s supreme love.

All: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth, break forth into joyous songs of praise.

One: Here today is love, higher than our loftiest hopes, deeper than the immensities of time and space, God’s inclusive love.

**All: Let the seas roar their praise, and everything in them.
Let the rivers clap their hands and the hills sing together their happiness.**

One: The joy of the living Christ Jesus be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Black Hymnal #6

“Sing Praise to God, Our Highest Good”

Schutz/Marshall

Verses 1, 3 & 4

Praying Together

One: Lord, we come together today struggling with the gift of sex and marriage

All: Help us, Lord

One: We confess the ways in which we see others as simply the object of our own desires

All: Help us, Lord

One: We confess how so much of our world exploits and demeans the bodies of people

All: Help us, Lord

One: We ask for your healing for those of us who were wounded by the demands of purity culture and feel so much shame and guilt.

All: Heal us, Lord

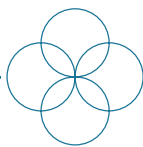
One: We pray for those whose lives are trapped in the world of human trafficking and exploitation and pray for their release

All: Free them and us, Lord

One: We ask for your guidance in this time, Lord

All: Show us your way. Amen.

Assurance of God's Presence



Offertory

"You Are My All in All/Fairest Lord Jesus"
Justin Glaser and Talia Zoll, vocals

*Dennis Jernigan
arr. Larry Shackley*

Prayer of Dedication

Scriptures

Matthew 5:27-32

Sermon

The Barbie Sermon

Rev. Dr. Edward Goode

Black Hymnal #581
Verses 1 & 3

"Lead Us from Death to Life"

Kumur/Haugen

Prayers for the People and Lord's Prayer

Red Hymnal #71

"Shout to the Lord"

Darlene Zschech

Benediction

Postlude

"Psalm XIX"
Toni Sheffer, organ

*Marcello
arr. Dubois*

CHURCH STAFF

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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.

Visitors are encouraged to fill out our "Friendship Form" by scanning this QR code or going to:

<https://bit.ly/ccucc-welcome>



• Hearing Assist Devices Available

Please tell an usher as you come in the sanctuary if you need a hearing assist device.

• Christ Church Evening Meetup

Next Sunday, August 6 in Tower Park, let's eat together and attend the Kentucky Symphony Orchestra concert **We'll meet at the shelter by the main playground at 6:30 p.m. The concert is at 7:30 p.m.** You may pack your own dinner or purchase it at one of the food trucks. Let's enjoy the concert together!

• Brighton Center

Please collect Hygiene Items (deodorant, toothpaste, soap, etc.) Don't forget we have a new shelf in the parlor to make donating easier.

• Diaper Drive

Diapers are being collected for Christi Stevenson, the sister of Joe Stevenson and daughter of Amy Wainscott. Let's fill up the bin in the Narthex!

• Birthdays and Anniversaries

Benjamin Kuhnhein

Stella Pendery

Dee Bathiany

Andrew Hack

Donna & William Wilson

Jim & Barb Korpik

• Discipleship Opportunities

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

For all three of the following classes, we will be discussing the book, "Following the Call" which covers the Sermon on the Mount. If you need a copy, contact Pastor Ed.

- **Sundays, 9 a.m., History Room**
- **Tuesdays, 12 p.m., Conference Room**
- **Wednesdays, 3 p.m.**

(Zoom link: <https://bit.ly/ccwednesday>)

• Service in the Park!

On August 13, we will have our Sunday morning church service at Rossford Park in the Pavilion (219 Rossford Ave.) at 10:30 a.m. The church building will be closed that Sunday. If you'd like to eat lunch together afterwards, please pack your lunch. Let's lift up our hearts to worship God in his creation!

• Prayer Changes Us

Covenant Cluster Prayer Partner:

Washington UCC, Cincinnati, OH

Prayer Requests:

Faye Gately, Joy, Genene Lyons, Pierce, Ev & Jack Weber, Tom Cox, Marie Shields, Barry Bordenkircher, Allan Smille, Jean Lacalley, Amber Schmidt, Bobby Grim, Roman, Lyuda & Natalya Shostak, Tim, John Jr., Sheila Mains, Sue, Judy & Greg Gadd, Kristen Bender, Mike & Laura Randall, Marcia Hosea, Emma Hamann, Sallie Schmidt and family, Barb Walkenhorst-Derby, Landon Schmidt, Jesse Clayton, Bill P., Don Seifert, Raenon Justice, Dale Ann Wight, The family of Bonnie Hitch, Sarah, Kim Schnier, Chris, the family of Wilma Graves, the family of Nancy Faulkner, David Hosea, Scott, Stacey Seiter, Lori Collins, Jeff McCall, Kelly Greenwalt, Kristin Bailey, Jamie, Jenny Holek, Nancy McLane, the family of Lenir Kechu, Mike & Sheila Smith, the family of Margi McKenna, Steve Kappesser, John Fugate

(Names underlined indicate request for anonymity)

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