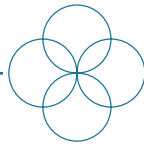


We embrace all as we journey
the way of Jesus



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October 8, 2023

Welcome

Prelude

“Wade in the Water”
Chancel Choir

Spiritual
arr. Mark Hayes

Call to Worship

Jean Braun

One: Great and Glorious God, we gather to worship you.
We lift our eyes to you, in reverent awe before your majesty.

All: Great is the Lord our God, and greatly to be praised!

One: Generous and Merciful God, we come to worship you.
We lift our eyes to you, giving thanks for your compassion.

All: Gracious is the Lord our God, and greatly to be praised!

One: Welcoming and Empowering God, we worship you.
We lift our eyes to you, and we celebrate your faithfulness.

All: Holy is the Lord our God, and greatly to be praised!
We lift our eyes, seeking to worship and praise our God. Amen.

Black Hymnal #277 Verses 1, 2 & 3

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

Heber/Dykes

Praying Together

Jesus, we confess the ways in which we have taken our eyes off of you. We have focused our gaze on the treasures of earth rather than the treasures of heaven. We have allowed our spiritual eyes to grow dim and unhealthy rather than whole and centered upon you. We have chosen to serve other masters rather than serving you. Meet us in our brokenness and assure of us the wholeness that you have already given to us through your love. Amen.

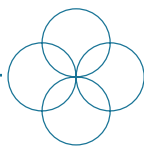
Assurance of God's Presence

Offertory

“How Great Thou Art”
Ashley Tinch, vocal (granddaughter of Mike & Nancy Evans)

Boberg/Hine

Prayer of Dedication



Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise god above, ye heavn'ly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Scripture

Matthew 6:19-24

Sermon

Keeping Our Eyes on God

Rev. Dr. Edward Goode

Black Hymnal #475

“God’s Eye is on the Sparrow”

Martin/Gabriel

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

“The Lord's Prayer”
Ashley Tinch, vocal

Albert Malotte

Benediction

Postlude

“Festival Postlude on Old Hundredth”
Peter Borah, trumpet; Toni Sheffer, organ

Traditional
arr. Walter Pelz

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Edward Goode
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• 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.

• Open and Affirming Process

If you have any questions about our Open and Affirming Process, please contact **Beckie Borah**.

• Don't Miss "The Letter"

November 12 at 6:30 p.m. in Hoffman Hall

The Christ Church Green Team will be showing a special screening of "The Letter." The film features Pope Francis and environmental champions from around the world and from different faiths who believe how we treat the earth is a reflection of how we treat each other. This viewing will be open to both our church and the community. Please consider bringing someone with you. Light refreshments will be available.

• Brighton Center

October/November: Boxed mashed potatoes.

We also have a shelf in the parlor for donations.

• Birthdays and Anniversaries

Donna Hoffman

Jenny Herrmann

Connor Fugate

Patti Miller

Andy & Bridgette Luken

Bud & Kathy Leftin

• 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., History Room**
- **Wednesdays, 3 p.m.**

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

• Photos for All Saints Day Service

Please bring in or email a photo of anyone you would like remembered on All Saints Day. We also need their full name and the date of their passing. Email photos and information to Michele in the office. Thank you.

• Prayer Changes Us

Covenant Cluster Prayer Partner:

Washington UCC, Cincinnati, OH

Prayer Requests:

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, the family of Bonnie Hitch, Kim Schnier, Chris, the family of Wilma Graves, the family of Nancy Faulkner, David Hosea, Scott, Stacey Seiter, Jeff McCall, Kelly Greenwalt, Kristin Bailey, Jamie, Jenny Holey, Nancy McLane, Mike & Sheila Smith, the family of Margi McKenna, John Fugate, the family of Judy Robinson, the family of John Neumaier, Andrew, Howard Storm, the family of Faye Gateley, Marshall Gantt, Sophia, Carolyn Tyler, Shane, Parker, Dave, Jane Cox

(Names underlined indicate request for anonymity)

**Please contact the office with any changes.
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