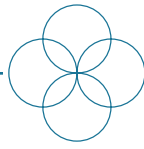


We embrace all as we journey  
**the way of Jesus**



CHRIST  
CHURCH UCC



March 31, 2024

Welcome

Prelude

**"The First Day of My Life"**  
Justin Glaser, solo

*Tom Long/Allen Pote*

Call to Worship

Janet Fischer

Scripture

**John 20:1-9**

**Black Hymnal #233**  
*All Verses*

**"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"**

*Charles Wesley*

Scripture

**Luke 24:13-27**

Assurance of God's Presence

Offertory

**"Easter Gloria"**  
Chancel Choir

*Bill Leach/Mark Hayes*

Prayer of Dedication

Scripture

**Luke 24:27-35**

Sermon

**We Had Hoped**

Rev. Dr. Edward Goode

**Red Hymnal #190**  
*Verses 1, 4, 5*

**"Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"**

*Wordsworth/Beethoven*

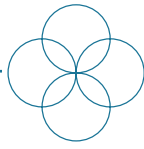
**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**Room at the Table**  
Talia Zoll, leader

*Carrie Newcomer*

Let our hearts not be hardened to those living on the margins  
There is room at the table for everyone  
This is where it all begins, this is how we gather in  
There is room at the table for everyone

Too long we have wandered, burdened and undone  
But there is room at the table for everyone  
This is how it all begins, let us sing the new world in  
There is room at the table for everyone



**Chorus:** There is room for us all, And no gift is too small  
There is room at the table for everyone  
There's enough if we share, Come on pull up a chair  
There is room at the table for everyone

No matter who you are, no matter where you're from  
There is room at the table for everyone  
Here and now we can be the beloved community  
There is room at the table for everyone. **Chorus**

Let our hearts not be hardened to those living on the margins  
There is room at the table for everyone  
There is room at the table for everyone  
Room at the table for everyone  
Room at the table for everyone  
Room at the table... for everyone.

### Song

### “Halle, Halleluja”

*Caribbean Melody*

Halle, halle, halleluja!  
Halle, halle, halleluja!  
Halle, halle, halleluja, halleluja, halleluja!

Christ, our God, we praise you, Hallelu!  
Christ, our God, we praise you, Hallelu!  
Christ, our God, we praise you, Hallelu! halleluja, halleluja!

Christ, our God, is risen, Hallelu!  
Christ, our God, is risen, Hallelu!  
Christ, our God, is risen, Hallelu! Halleluja! Halleluja!

### Benediction

### Postlude

### “Crown Him with Many Crowns” Toni Sheffer, organ

*G.J. Elvey  
arr. Rick Seaton*

If you would like to make an offering,  
you can put it in the plate during  
the service or you can give online  
using this QR code:



## • 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>



## • Easter Flowers

Please be sure to pick up your flowers immediately after the Easter service. Your name will be on your plant so please check the label. Thank you for making our sanctuary beautiful!

## • Brighton Center

Please collect the following items :

**Canned Spaghetti** (like SphagettiOs®)

Items can be left on the shelves in the Narthex or on the shelves in the Parlor. Thank you!

## • Perfect Time to Join the Choir

Join us on **Thursday, April 4, at 6:30 p.m.** in the sanctuary if you would like to "try on" joining the choir and see if it's a fit for you. We will be looking at all new anthems/songs for the remainder of the season so everyone should be comfortable learning new music together. Join us – it's fun! It's relaxing! It's great to make music together and sing praises to God.

## • Open and Affirming Process

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

## • Birthdays and Anniversaries

Christy Stevenson

Nancy Pinguely

Joshua Vogel

Steve & Shelley Kappesser

## • Discipleship Opportunities

Each week... All are welcome! No need to sign up.

• **Sundays, 9 a.m., History Room**

• **Thursdays, 12 p.m., History Room**

Both our Sunday and Thursday group will be watching and discussing the series, "The Chosen" which covers Jesus' chosen followers.

• **Wednesdays, 3 p.m. (Online)**

We're reading and discussing the book, *Hope: A User's Manual* by MaryAnn McKibben Dana. (Zoom link: <https://bit.ly/ccwednesday>)

## • Office Closed Monday, April 8

The office will be closed Monday, April 8 as some of the staff are taking time off to see the eclipse.

## • N. KY Youth Gatherings

**April Fools Mystery Dinner (at our place!)**

**Sunday, April 7, 5:30-7:30**

**Christ Church UCC, Fort Thomas, KY**

We'll celebrate the season with an April Fools Mystery dinner. Join us for a three-course meal, an evening of laughs, and more! We're also doing a canned food collection. Register at <https://lakesidechurch.org/index.php/nkyyouth/>

## • Prayer Changes Us

**Covenant Cluster Prayer Partner:**

Washington UCC, Cincinnati, OH

**Prayer Requests:**

Jack Weber, Karen, Gary Kennedy, Kent, the family of Evie Weber, the family of Al Rice, Mike and Laura Randall, Stacey Seiter, Bonnie Daryl, Susan Snyder, the family of Bonnie Jones, Susan Gabbard, Beth Caby, Erin, Nancy H., Naomi Carroll, Stephanie, June Warriner, Robyn Cox, Phyllis Clark, Elsie Loos, Eve Wellborn, Stacey  
(Names underlined indicate request for anonymity)

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