

We embrace all as we journey
the way of Jesus



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CHURCH UCC



March 9, 2025

Welcome

Prelude

"Elijah Rock"
Chancel Choir; Jacob Priddy, piano

Traditional
arr. Roger Emerson

Call to Worship

Janet Fischer

One: Today we hear a story of bold faith, Elijah standing before those who opposed him and opposed God.

All: Spirit, speak into our lives from this ancient story

One: Elijah uses water as he calls out to God

All: Spirit, we use water today in baptism and we call out to you as well

One: Elijah asked that the power of God be shown

All: Spirit, we ask the same in our lives as we gather today

One: Let us worship the same God who was with Elijah on Mt Carmel and the same one with us here today.

Red Hymnal #10

"O Worship the King"

Robert Grant/Johann Michael Haydn
arr. William Gardiner

Baptism of Johnny Pendery and blessing of Beau Pendery

Offertory

"Baptized in Water"
Chancel Choir

Michael Seward

Prayer of Dedication

Scriptures

I Kings 18:20-40

Sermon

A Bold Retelling

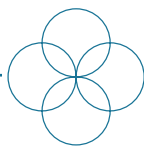
Rev. Dr. Edward Goode

Red Hymnal #9

"Worthy of Worship"

Terry W. York/Judson Mark Blankenship

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer



Song

“How Can I Keep from Singing”

Chris Tomlin, Matt Redman, Ed Cash

There is an endless song
Echoes in my soul
I hear the music ring
And though the storms may come
I am holding on
To the rock I cling

Refrain

How can I keep from singing Your praise
How can I ever say enough
How amazing is Your love
How can I keep from shouting Your name
I know I am loved by the King
And it makes my heart want to sing

I will lift my eyes
In the darkest night
For I know my Savior lives
And I will walk with You
Knowing You'll see me through
And sing the songs You give

Repeat Refrain

Bridge – I can sing in the troubled times

Sing when I win
I can sing when I lose my step
And fall down again
I can sing 'cause You pick me up
Sing 'cause You're there
I can sing 'cause You hear me, Lord
When I call to You in prayer
I can sing with my last breath
Sing for I know
That I'll sing with the angels
And the saints around the throne

Repeat Refrain

Benediction

Postlude

“Blessed Assurance”

Max Gise, guitar

Fanny Crosby, Phoebe Palmer Knapp

arr. Walter Rodrigues Jr.

Offerings

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:





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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>



• Be the Church Sunday!

On **Sunday, March 30**, we will have a service of serving.

9:30 a.m.: Commissioning Service at Christ Church

9:50 a.m.: Go out to serve!

Project 1: Packing Hygiene and Non-Perishable Bags, Hoffman Hall, Christ Church

Project 2: Hymn Sing at Highlandspring in Ft. Thomas

Project 3: Pancake Brunch making and serving at Ft. Thomas VA Hospital

You can sign up at: <https://bit.ly/btc-sunday>

• Donations for Be the Church Sunday

To go in the blessing/giveaway bags, can you please bring any of the following prior to (and including on March 30): **Beef Jerky, Tuna/Cracker packages, Trail Mix, Raisins, Peanuts, Fruit Cups, Socks, Mini Hand Sanitizers**

• Northern Kentucky Youth

• **Spy Mystery Party – TODAY, Sunday, March 9 5:30-7:30 p.m. – Lakeside Carriage House**
We want you to join us for this interactive experience. [Register today](#) to reserve your role in the mystery party.

• **Game Night – Sunday, March 16 5:30-7:30 p.m. – Lakeside Carriage House**
It's time for a little fun! Join us for an evening of food, games, and more. Bring a board game to share! [Register today!](#)

• Birthdays and Anniversaries

Noah Beimesche

Leland Stevenson

Thierry Paillette

Debbie & Thierry Paillette

• Discipleship Opportunities

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

• Sundays, 9 a.m., History Room

We're spending a few months with Pastor Ed's new book, "Ordinary BenchMarks," available for purchase on Amazon or directly from Pastor Ed

• Thursdays, 12 p.m., History Room

Studying Richard Rohr's book, *The Great Themes of Scripture: The Old Testament* to learn more about the first two thirds of the Bible

• Wednesdays, 3 p.m. (Online)

We're studying Richard Rohr's book, *Jesus' Alternative Plan: The Sermon on the Mount*.

Book available from online sellers or Pastor Ed. (Zoom link: <https://bit.ly/ccwednesday>)

• Pastor Ed's Schedule

Pastor Ed will be gone from March 12-April 2.

During this time, pastoral care coverage will be week-by-week with pastors on call. If a pastoral need arises Monday-Thursday, please contact the church office. On Fridays, weekends, or evenings, please contact Linda Gracey. Michele or Linda will connect you with the on-call pastor.

• Interested in Joining our Church?

If you are interested in joining Christ Church as a covenant member, we are working on setting up our next time to do just that! Please contact **Pastor Ed** if you are interested!

• Prayer Changes Us

Covenant Cluster Prayer Partner:

Washington UCC, Cincinnati, OH

Prayer Requests:

Jeff McDonald, Nancy Castleman, Fred Nippert, Susan Gabbard, The family of Maxine Noble, Makayla, Jamie & Kelly Greenwalt, Mike Bizzarro, Dave Jager, Chris P., Bènè and Janis, Don Seifert, Rev. Andrew Bierkan, Mike & Laura Randall, Shane, Dave, Tim, Karen, Jerry Baynum, Betty Stein, Jan Kennedy, Allen, Tammy Weidinger, Jim Rechten Jr., Carol Manning, Danny Manning, Jana Guido, Béné, Nelly, Carol Blair, Tony Asher

(Names underlined indicate request for anonymity)

**If you would like to make a change,
please contact the office: (859) 441-2565**