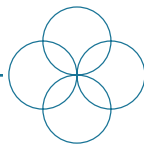


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the way of Jesus



CHRIST
CHURCH UCC



August 3, 2025

Welcome

Prelude

"Softly and Tenderly"

Max Gise, guitar

*Will L. Thompson
arr. Walter Rodrigues Jr.*

Call to Worship

Jean Braun

One: Once we lived in darkness

All: But now the light of God has shown upon us.

One: Once we walked, stumbling and falling without direction

All: But now God's Word is a light to our feet.

One: Once we were unable to see

All: But now our eyes are open to the love and grace of Jesus Christ,
who opens our hearts and eyes to see the gifts of God's love.

One: Come, let us worship the One who has turned our darkness into dancing!

All: Amen! Alleluia!

Black Hymnal #436

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

Harry Emerson Fosdick

Praying Together (unison)

**Holy God, Source of Our Light, we come to you seeking restoration of our sight.
Through fear and anxiousness, through selfishness and hostility, we have been
blinded to what is good and what you have given to us in Jesus Christ.
Give us strength and confidence to truly witness your abiding love
and your faithfulness. Amen.**

Assurance of God's Presence

Offertory

"Sonatina in F Major"

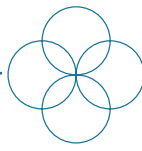
Ben Gise, piano

Ludwig Van Beethoven

Prayer of Dedication

Scriptures

John 9:1-27 and 9:35-38



Sermon

To See Thee More Clearly!

Rev. Diane Vego

Black Hymnal #469

"O Grant Us Light"

Lawrence Tuttiett

Sacrament of Holy Communion

"The Prayer"

Carole Bayer Sager, David Foster

Josh Woodward, Crissy Niese, vocals; Steve Phillips, piano

Song

"One Spirit, One Church"
(See insert)

Kevin Keil

Benediction

Postlude

"Classical Gas"

Max Gise, guitar

Mason Williams

arr. Tommy Emmanuel, Max Gise

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:



CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Diane Vego

Interim Pastor

Max Gise

Worship Coordinator

Talia Zoll

Worship Coordinator

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Madeline Queen

Director of Christian Education

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Custodian



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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>



- **Back to School Bash!**

Sunday, August 10 right after the service

Join us as we celebrate the new school year! Meet our new pastor and staff, enjoy food, and have fun and fellowship for all ages. **Volunteers are needed!** Please contact Madeline.

- **Coffee with the Pastor**

Tuesdays, 10 a.m.-11 a.m. — Parlor

Give yourself a break and have coffee and casual conversation with Pastor Diane. All are invited to meet in the Parlor every Tuesday unless noted.

- **Pastoral Search Committee**

If you are interested in serving on the pastoral search committee, please contact **Debbie Paillette**.

- **Many Hands Make Light Work**

We need help with our Fellowship hour on Sundays. If you can help, please contact **Jenny Herrmann**.

- **Birthdays (No Anniversaries)**

Dee Bathiany
Andrew Hack

Announcements

- **Discipleship Opportunities**

Pastor Diane will continue to help facilitate our three discipleship groups (Sunday at 9 a.m., Wednesdays at 3 p.m. on Zoom, and Thursdays at noon at the church). Details of what the groups will be digging into will be shared as they meet with Pastor Diane.

- **Cereal for Brighton Center**

We are collecting cereal in July.
Thank you for your generosity!

- **Diapers! Diapers! Diapers!**

Brandon and Natalie (Turner) Fugate are giving a baby brother or sister to Kemper and Connor. Please support this mission by filling the diaper bin in the Narthex with diapers and wipes. The collection will go until September 21.

- **Prayer Changes Us**

Covenant Cluster Prayer Partner:

Washington UCC, Cincinnati, OH

Prayer Requests:

Jeff McDonald, Nancy Castleman, Fred Nippert, The family of Maxine Noble, Makayla, Jamie & Kelly Greenwalt, Mike Bizzarro, Dave Jager, Chris P., Bènè and Janis, Don Seifert, Mike & Laura Randall, Shane, Dave, Tim, Karen, Jan Kennedy, Allen, Tammy Weidinger, Jim Rechten Jr., Carol Manning, Danny Manning, Jana Guido, Bénè, Nelly, Carol Blair, Tony Asher, Shelley, Steve McCall, Jackson Vanderpool, Warren Witt, Jason Pierce, Donna Hoffman, Barbara Walkenhorst-Derby, Tim Kennedy, Mark Helminiak, Donna Prues and family, Tom Raney, Jim Oates, General Fernbach, Mary Hertzman

(Names underlined indicate request for anonymity)

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