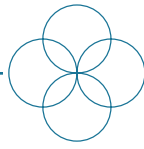


We embrace all as we journey
the way of Jesus



CHRIST
CHURCH UCC



May 3, 2026

Welcome

Prelude

"Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life"
Chancel Choir

Thomas Keesecker

Call to Worship (*Inspired by Psalm 23*)

Scott Turner, Liturgist

One: Jesus said, "I go and prepare a place for you, and I will come again. "

All: We gather in this place to know your presence and your love, now and always.

One: Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. If you know me, you know God."

**All: We pray to know you more deeply, that we may know God more intimately,
now and always.**

One: Jesus said, "Ask me for anything, and I will do it. "

All: Help us to ask for the right things, that we may fulfill your will, now and always.

One: Jesus said, "Believe in me, and Follow me."

All: Help us to worship you more fully – now and always!

Red Hymnal #227

"Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me"

Praying Together (*unison*)

Faithful and redeeming God, thank you for walking with us and for preparing places and spaces for us. With you we find welcome; we find home; we find reconciliation; we find rest. Forgive us, when we don't see you or acknowledge your presence. Impress upon our hearts the many ways you want us to impact this world. May we always walk in your ways, following you to the destination that you are preparing for us. May our lives and the work we do be a testimony to our baptismal commitment to be your ambassadors in this beautiful and broken world. May our lives bear witness to you. It is you we follow, and you we truly adore. Amen.

Children's Moment

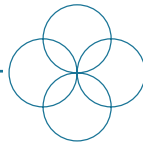
Assurance of God's Pardon

Offertory

"Sonatina in G Major, Op. 36, No. 5"
Ben Gise – piano

Mario Clementi

Prayer of Dedication



Scripture

John 14:1-14

Sermon

We Journey with Jesus,
the One Who Makes Space for *All* of Us!

Rev. Diane Vego

Song (see insert)

“Come to the Lord”

Steve Angrisano and Tom Tomaszek

Sacrament of Holy Communion

“I Received the Living God”

Tune: LIVING GOD, Text: anon.

Talia Zoll – vocals, Max Gise – guitar, Jacob Priddy – piano

Black Hymnal #493

“O Jesus, I Have Promised”

Benediction

Postlude

“Jesus, We Want to Meet”

A.T. Olajida Olude; arr. Patrick Russ.

Max Gise – guitar

Offerings

If you would like to make an offering, you may put it in the plate during the service or 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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• 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>



• Church Council Needs You

We still have one position to fill.

Please consider volunteering to be the Secretary

Please see Snezana Tenhunfeld, Jen Korpik, Jane Petracco, or Debbie Paillette if interested.

• Creative Conversations

On May 17, please meet right after the church service in the History Room to welcome and get to know people who are either coming back or those that are new. We look forward to seeing you!

• The Green Team Needs You!

If you'd like to spend time with a great group of people who care about the environment, please join us! **We will have a work day to take apart the recycling station and plant the blue pots in the Prayer Garden on Saturday, May 23, at 10:30 a.m. if you'd like to help.**

• Brighton Center Donations

We will be collecting **Pasta and canned pasta sauces for May**. Thanks for helping with this!

• 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)

Jack Hurtt

Anna Gise

Gregory Vogel

Announcements

• Discipleship Opportunities

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

• Sundays, 9 a.m., History Room

Adult Discipleship

• Wednesdays, 3 p.m. (Online)

Small group discussion.

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

• Thursdays, 12 p.m., History Room

Book study group

• Work Days at the Church

Our next church work days, May 9 and 16 will be inside. Spring cleaning, sanding and painting chipped areas will be our concentration. If you haven't signed up to help and want to join in on the fun, contact Nancy Hunter, Greg Vogel, or Linda Gracey. Thanks to everyone who has contributed to repairing our beautiful church, either with labor or a monetary contribution. It is needed and appreciated!

• Urban Mission Volunteers Needed

Engage with children from the urban core in enrichment programs such as worship, recreation, reading, writing, and field trips. No planning, prep, or teaching required. For more information, contact Pastor Melissa.

• Prayer Changes Us

Covenant Cluster Prayer Partner:

Washington UCC, Cincinnati, OH

Prayer Requests:

David Hosea, Makayla, Kelly Greenwalt, Karma Klingenberg, Katie Leftin, Suzanne Jones, Jim Rehtin Jr., Maggie, Sallie Schmidt, Jeff McCall, Marcia Storm, Chris P., Mike Bizarro, Mark Helminiak, Tim Kennedy, the family of Marcia Hosea, the family of Joyce Fehler, Laura, Jeff, Jack Emmerich, Melissa Brockman, Joe, Jed, Kelsey Morgan, Rich, Carolyn Honchell, the family of Barb Stinnett, Donna Hoffman, the family of Elsie Sent, Ellen C., Jim Jones, Barb Walkenhorst Derby, Jeff Krohmer

(Names underlined indicate request for anonymity)

Please contact the office to make any changes.