

We Are Sent Forth

Hymn #614 For the Bread Which You Have Broken

**Commission and Blessing**

We are children of God and neighbors to one another; therefore, let us live as God's family.

**WE ARE SUBJECT TO GOD'S AUTHORITY; THEREFORE, WE SEEK TO BE LISTENERS AND RECONCILERS.**

We are the church, the body of Christ; therefore, we bind and loose in Christ's name.

**WE ARE THE PEOPLE OF PRAYER AND ACTION. THEREFORE, WE DARE TO TRUST GOD TO LEAD US.**

God will be our help and our shield; God's steadfast love will sharpen our senses.

**WE WILL LISTEN AND SPEAK AS GOD EMPOWERS; OUR HANDS AND FEET ARE IN GOD'S EMPLOY.**

Light goes Forth ahead of Us

Postlude (please remain until the music is concluded)

**PRAYER CONCERNS/REQUESTS**

Don Allen	Troy Bame	Tyler Barber
Bob Benschoter	Lori Bullis	Jim Canterbury
Mark Chamberlain	Gary Cover	Josh Earl
Betty Freeze's Family	Scott Griffin	Betty Hampshire
Kara Hunter	Bambi Hafner	Kenzi Kale
John & Marge Kell	Angie Keminek	Char Kelly
Darnell Kirschmer	Moore Family of BG	Jessica Miller-Blakely
Mollie Mitchell	Tim Myer's Family	Evelyn & Joe Perez
Sandy Pockett	Nicholas Salaz	Mary Sautter
MacKenzie Shaefer's Family	Eileen Smith	Sheila Teeters
Pauline Thiebaut	Nick & Jacob Wigeourski	Tom Williams' Family
Mike Winnig	Richard Yeasting	Norm & Karla Carney
Robin Williams Family	Earl Wisemen	Violence in Israel
Victims of Ebola virus	Ferguson, MO	Prayer for the need of RAIN

# Christ United Methodist Church

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For where two or three  
are gathered in my name,



**I** am  
there among them.  
Matthew 18:20

Worship: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.

**Christ Church Vision Statement:**

CHRISTIAN SERVANTS UNITED IN MISSION TO THE COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD

Christ United Methodist Church

*September 7, 2014*  
*12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

**We Gather for Worship**

**Sharing of Events & Ministries**

**Passing of the Peace** (Greet one another with gestures of welcome)

**Invitation to Prepare for Encountering the Holy**

**The Light of God enters Among Us**

**Prelude**

**Call to Worship**

Paul Herringshaw

God is here to meet us; glorify God's name. God welcomes us: put your trust in God.

**WE ARE HERE TO CELEBRATE GOD'S PRESENCE. WE HONOR GOD'S STEADFAST LOVE AND FAITHFULNESS.**

God reveals to us the idols that limit us; God's governance is our help and our shield.

**WE GIVE THANKS FOR GOD'S SAVING WORK. WE REJOICE IN AUTHORITIES WHO SEEK OUR HIGHEST GOOD.**

Our Creator seeks to establish community among us. God calls us to be a reconciling people.

**WHERE TWO OR THREE GATHER IN CHRIST'S NAME, GOD IS PRESENT TO STRENGTHEN AND UPHOLD.**

**Invocation (Unison)**

Paul Herringshaw

Your trumpets summons us, O God, to this time of remembering and renewal. We have sensed your presence through fire and storm, when we felt threatened and afraid. We have known you in and through other people. Now, in these moments, we seek to bring the wholeness of our being into deep relationship with you. Touch our spirits, fill us with your love, equip us for our life in the world.

**Hymn # 61** Come, Thou Mighty King

**We Proclaim God's Word**

**Collect**

Rev. McDaniel

Loving Parent, whose care for us in Jesus Christ is deeper and wider than we can imagine, grant us now a sense of participation in the stories of Passover and the upper room. Meet us here as you met our ancestors in the faith, who testify to us still of your actions among them.

**Hearing the Sacred Text**

Exodus 12:1-14 (pg. 57)

Paul Herringshaw

**Litany**

The Lord does not call us to conform to the demands of the world.

**THE LORD CALLS US TO TRANSFORM THE WORLD BY OUR OBEDIENCE TO THE DEMANDS OF GOD.**

When our neighbors curse us, let us not curse them in return.

**LET US LOVE AS YOU LOVE, O LORD. LET OUR LOVE BE GENUINE.**

When our neighbors seek our help, let us not leave them to the charity of the wealthy.

**LET US LOVE AS YOU LOVE, O LORD. LET OUR LOVE BE GENUINE.**

When our neighbors disturb the peace at our expense, let us not avenge ourselves.

**LET US LOVE AS YOU LOVE, O LORD. LET OUR LOVE BE GENUINE.**

When our neighbors hunger or thirst, let us minister to them according to their need.

**LET US LOVE AS YOU LOVE, O LORD. LET OUR LOVE BE GENUINE.**

**All:** Let us not be overcome by evil. Let us overcome evil with good.

**Hearing the Sacred Text**

Matthew 18:15-20 (pg. 24)

Rev. McDaniel

**Interpreting the Sacred Text**

**"Let Go"**

**We Respond to God's Word**

**Offering our Prayer**

**Offering our Presence, Gifts, Service and Witness**

**Gathering the Offering**

**Thanksgiving for the Offering**

**Communion**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

**Breaking the Bread and Pouring the Cup**

**Prayer**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS**

**POT LUCK** TODAY, Sunday, September 7, 2014.

**LEADERSHIP TEAM** The members are scheduled to meet Tuesday, 9/9/14 at 7PM.

**OUTREACH** Beginning this Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, The Outreach Team has come up with another creative way to contribute to the apportionments. There are now envelopes containing on the outside a dollar amount and a ticket. (1) The dollar amount is an amount of money you choose to give toward apportionments, you have from next Sunday until the first Sunday in December to return that amount earmarked toward apportionments... You may take 1 or more envelopes as you wish. (2) The Ticket: once you bring in the envelope and return it to either Carrie, Elie, Vicky or myself. Your ticket will be placed in a container form which one winning ticket will be drawn on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of December... the prize being a \$50 gift certificate to your favorite dining place, plus a gift card to a movie theater. So have some fun while we contribute to apportionments.

**FALL STUDY** We will be studying: Sins of the Spirit, Blessings of the Flesh by Matthew Fox...if you are interested in being a part of the study, let's meet after worship to determine a day and time.

**UMW MEETING** The United Methodist Women are meeting on Wednesday, September, 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Devotions: Nancy Shrider, Responsive: Donnagene Shrider, Hostess: Elie Krassow and Pledge Service: Millie Broka.

**OUTREACH MEETINGS** Our Outreach meetings will be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month.

**BLOOD MOBILE** Our fall Blood Mobile Drive at Christ United Methodist Church has been scheduled for Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Please mark your calendars.

**STEAK SUPPER** Please mark your calendars for our upcoming steak supper, Sunday, October 6, 2014, at 12 noon.

**MISSION KITS** Mission kits to be packed on Sunday, September 21, 2014. UPDATED - Items needed to complete health kits: (24) Hand towels; (46) combs, approximately 8"; (7) bath size bars of soap AND (200) Band-Aids

**PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP SERVICE**

Pastor .....Rev Bruce McDaniel  
Organist .....Linda Allen



Pianist.....Kathy Bame  
Acolyte .....  
Liturgist ..... Paul Herringshaw  
Greeters: North ..... Ray & Marilyn Keys  
East ..... Millie Broka  
Ushers .....Tom & Carolyn Keys

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Today, September 7, 2014 ..... 9:00 a.m. .... Worship  
..... 10:00 a.m. .... Sunday School  
..... 11:15 a.m. .... CUMC Potluck  
Monday, September 8, 2014 ..... 9:00 a.m. .... Sermon Shaping  
..... 7:00 p.m. .... Lion's Club  
Tuesday, September 9, 2014 ..... 1:00 p.m. .... Rev McDaniel, Pre Church  
..... Conference Briefing, Hope UMC  
..... 7:00 p.m. .... Leadership Team  
Wednesday, September 10, 2014 ..... 9:00 a.m. .... Book Club  
..... 7:00 p.m. .... United Methodist Women  
Friday, September 12, 2014 ..... 8:00 a.m. .... REACH (all day)  
..... 7:30 p.m. .... Lorea/Salaz Rehearsal  
Saturday, September 13, 2014 ..... 2:30 p.m. .... Lorea/Salaz Wedding

**STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENTS – AUGUST 31, 2014**

General.....	\$3,339.00	Parsonage.....	\$200.00
Coffee/Outreach.....	\$16.00	Bathroom.....	\$25.00
Hospitalization.....	\$140.00	Hall Rental.....	\$35.00
Walk for Missions.....	\$1,200.00		

Attendance: Worship – 56

Sunday school – 8

