Christ United Methodist Church

Creating committed Christ followers for the transformation of the world

9:00 a.m. Traditions Worship
November 1, 2026
All Saints Sunday

bearing fruit

Faithfulness

With open hearts, open minds and open doors, we welcome people of all races, nationalities, theologies and abilities. We welcome people of all sexual orientations and gender identities. We offer a safe and compassionate place to reconcile faith, identity, hope, understanding and mutual respect.

We welcome you and name the sacred power of the
Wahpeton people on whose land we stand

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References to God in traditional prayers and hymns may sometimes be gender-specific. As we pray and sing together, you are invited to substitute terms that reflect your understanding of the full inclusiveness of the spirit of God. You are also invited to sing hymns and speak parts of the service, such as the Lord's Prayer, in your native tongue.

Prelude — Celebration Bells

"Sine Nomine"
- Ralph Vaughan Williams, arr. Douglas E. Wagner

Welcome — Rev. Kirkland Reynolds & Rev. Jenny Cannon

* Hymn — UMH 711, vv. 1-4
David Townsend, clarinet

"For All the Saints"

Morning Prayer +

All: Lord, let us grow with you.
We confess all that has kept us from faithful living.
Renew us with your grace.
Feed us with your living water, so we might share and nourish life.
Lord, let us grow with you, and bring forth the fruit of your Spirit. Amen.

Children's Message — Jody Peterson

Following the children's message, children pre-K through sixth grade are invited to attend Sunday school.

Invitation to Give

Memorials and Living Gifts

Offertory Music — Celebration Bells & Choir
David Townsend, clarinet
Ralph Schornack, organ

"Dona Nobis Pacem"
- arr. Margaret R. Tucker

* Doxology — UMH 114, chorus

"Many Gifts, One Spirit"

Many gifts, one Spirit, one love known in many ways.
In our difference is blessing, from diversity we praise one Giver,
one Lord, one Spirit, one word
Known in many ways, hallowing our days.
For the Giver, for the gifts, praise, praise, praise!

* Prayer of Dedication
Pastoral Prayer

Hearing the Word — Nan Whitcomb

Matthew 5:1-12 (NRSVue)

Responding to the Word

One: For the word of God in scripture,
for the word of God among us,
for the word of God within us.
All: Thanks be to God.

Message — Rev. Jenny Cannon

"Bearing Fruit: Faithfulness"

Holy Communion

Roll Call of the Saints

The Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father/Mother, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Music During Communion — Sanctuary Choir

"Then We'll Sing Hosanna"
- arr. Mack Wilberg
Ashley Giberson-Asplund, director; David Townsend, clarinet

* Hymn — UMH 723, vv. 1, 3, 4

"Shall We Gather at the River"
David Townsend, clarinet

Connections and Next Steps

Benediction

Postlude — David Townsend, clarinet, Ralph Schornack, piano

"When the Saints"
- arr. David Townsend

We Lift in Prayer:

Gratitude for the lives of the saints departed
Faith that bears fruit
The work of our Sacred Votes Team
and for free and fair elections

Those suffering the effects of extreme weather
A just and peaceful resolution to global conflicts
Canada and the United States of America
(Ecumenical Prayer Cycle)

* indicates please stand as you are able. UMH = United Methodist Hymnal. TFWS = The Faith We Sing. W&S=Worship & Song.
+ Adapted from a contemporary Welsh prayer, RevGalPrayerPals.
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Welcome to Christ UMC. We are glad you are here! Children are always welcome in worship. Activity packs are available near the Sanctuary entrance. A nursery play space with a livestream of the worship service is open throughout the morning and is adjacent to the church office.

Memorials and Living Gifts Committee

Election Day Open Sanctuary

The Sanctuary will be open Tuesday, November 3, from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for reflection and prayer, and staff will be available for conversation. Flourishing will not meet that day.

Youth Friendsgiving Movie Night

The youth are hosting a Friendsgiving movie night, and we want you there! Join us Sunday, November 8, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the ECC. Bring a friend and something to share — pizza, dessert, chips, or drinks. It doesn't have to be fancy.

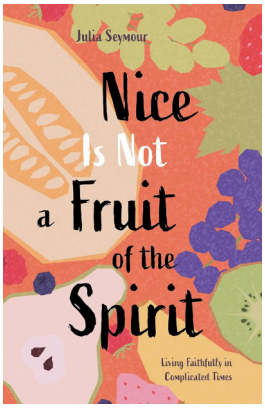
Thrift on Fifth

We're ready for your donations of fall and winter clothing — and for your visits! Come see what's new and check out our updated street window display. Hours are Wednesdays from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m., Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to noon, and Sundays from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Listen and Learn Concert

The Rochester Music Guild presents a Listen and Learn concert Friday, November 20, at noon in the Sanctuary.

All-Church Read Small Groups



Read "Nice Is Not a Fruit of the Spirit" by Julie Seymour with a small group. Contact the church office to sign up.

- **Northwest Rochester:** Monday, November 2, at 6:30 p.m., hosted by Gwen Scilley.
- **Northeast Rochester:** Thursdays, November 5 and 12, at 6:30 p.m., hosted by Dick and Kathy Estry.
- **Young adults (southeast):** Thursdays, November 5, 12, and 19, at 6:30 p.m., hosted by Heather and Paul Erhard.
- **At church and online:** Sundays, November 1, 8, and 15, at 12:30 p.m., hosted by Pastor Jenny.
- **Inquiring Spirits:** Sundays at 10:00 a.m. in Room 145.

Bearing Fruit: 2027 Stewardship Campaign

Join us as we read "Nice Is Not a Fruit of the Spirit," explore what it means to bear fruit, and prayerfully consider our gifts for 2027. Our Bearing Fruit series concludes with a Commitment Service of Thanks and Giving on Sunday, November 22, at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m., with pie between the worship services! Watch your inbox and mailbox for more information. Find an online commitment card at cumethodist.com/give.

A Tax-Smart Way to Give

Age 70½ or older? You can give to Christ UMC directly from your IRA through a qualified charitable distribution (QCD). It won't increase your taxable income, and if you're 73 or older, it can count toward your required minimum distribution. Start by Tuesday, December 1, so it's processed by year's end. Contact Matt White, director of operations, at matt@cumethodist.com or 507-289-4019 for our tax ID and mailing details, and check with your tax adviser to see whether a QCD is right for you.

Staff & Contact

Give Online

Church Calendar

Check In

Thanks for worshiping with us! Scan the QR code and let us know you're here!