



We are delighted  
you have chosen  
Christ Church as your  
place to worship  
this morning!

If this is your first time at Christ Church, here's some information about our church which you may find helpful.

Don't worry if you can't find the songs.

We project our songs, prayers, and litanies on the screen. And if you don't want to sing, that's OK.

Children are always welcome in worship.

Our pastor is used to being around children, and she can preach through anything! However, if your child (or you!) would prefer, we have a nursery (for children under 3) in both services.

During both worship services we have Junior Church after the children's message for children age 3 through 3rd grade.

Please fill out the Connect Card in your bulletin.

The Connect Card helps us connect with and follow-up with you. If you have prayer concerns or joys that you would like to share, please write them on the back side of the card so we may pray for them in the coming weeks. Please place the completed card in the offering plate or basket.

We welcome you today and hope you will come again!

### Sermons on the Web!

If you miss worship or want to listen to a sermon again, go to [www.christum-baltimore.com](http://www.christum-baltimore.com).



The Altar Flowers  
are given  
to the  
glory of God

In honor of all those who attend  
Christ UMC

## Transformational Journal

Set aside time each day and find a quiet place where you can spend time with God, study the Bible, and let God transform you to be more like Christ!

As you read God's Word, pray and ask God to guide and help you understand, read the passage at least several times, and then ask these questions:

**What?** What does it say?  
**So What?** What does it mean?  
**Now What?** How will I apply it in my life?  
(And then live it!)

Sunday: Philippians 4:1-9  
Monday: Philippians 4:10-13  
Tuesday: 1 Thessalonians 5:9-28  
Wednesday: 1 Corinthians 12:27-13:13  
Thursday: Psalm 100  
Friday: Romans 12:9-21  
Saturday: Psalm 118:24; Acts 16:19-34

## JOIN US for WORSHIP & BRING a Friend!

**Nov. 21 7:30 p.m. Community  
Thanksgiving Service—HERE!**

**Nov. 26 The Symbols of Advent  
and Christmas**

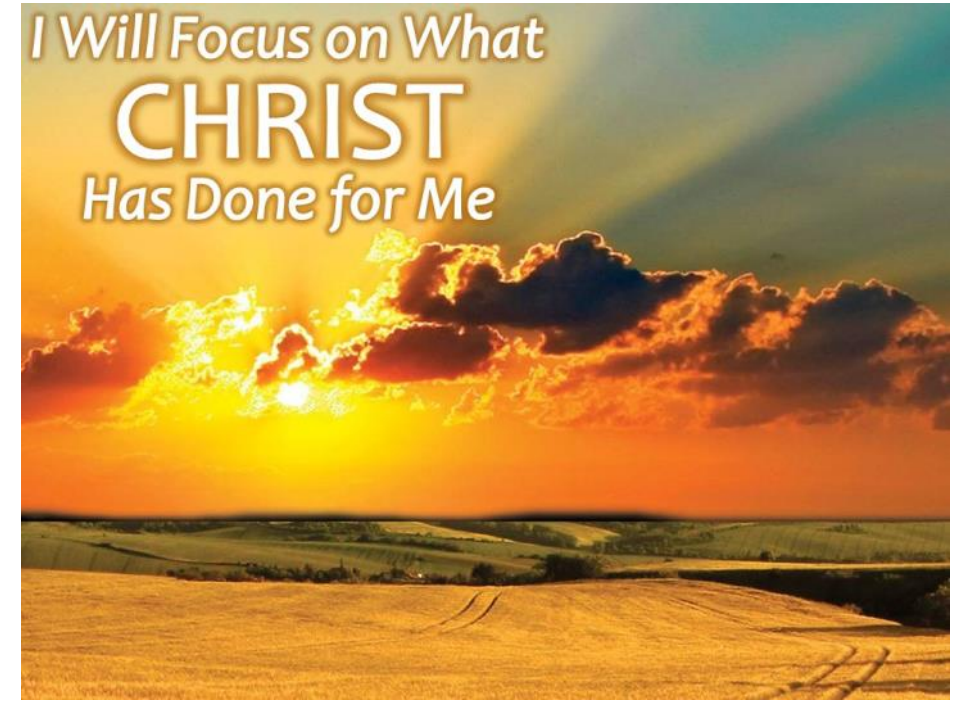
*Join us for our Advent Series:*



# Christ United Methodist Church

**Our MISSION:** To help people find and follow Jesus Christ

**Our VISION:** by **CONNECTING** people  
with **GOD** through **WORSHIP**,  
with the **CHURCH** through whole-life **DISCIPLESHIP**, &  
with the **WORLD** through **MISSION**.



**November 19, 2017**

**Our Worship Together:** 8:45 A.M. Traditional Worship Service  
10:00 A.M. Sunday School for All Ages  
10:45 A.M. Contemporary Worship Service

Pastor:  
Children's Director:  
Deaconess:  
Ministers:

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Tiffany Jones  
Gayle McCreery  
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Traditional Worship - 8:45 AM

PRELUDE	“For the Beauty of the Earth” by Kocher	
WELCOME		Tom James
CALL TO WORSHIP	“This Is the Day”	#657
OPENING PRAYER		
Leader:	Loving God, this is the day that you have made;	
People:	we will rejoice and be glad in it!	
Leader:	Though we face evil in this present world,	
People:	we rejoice that Jesus has already defeated Satan and won the victory!	
Leader:	Though we face trials and tragedies,	
People:	we rejoice that Jesus is carrying us through them!	
Leader:	Though we experience suffering and struggles,	
People:	we rejoice that God can bring good out of them!	
Leader:	Though we face challenges of many kinds in this world,	
People:	we rejoice that this world is not all there is!	
Leader:	We rejoice and give thanks to God for his love, forgiveness, and promise of eternal life through Jesus Christ!	
People:	We come to rejoice and thank our God today and every day! Amen.	
*SONG OF PRAISE	“Now Thank We All Our God”	#102
SPECIAL MUSIC		Children’s Choir
CHILDREN’S MOMENTS	(Children, ages 2 to 3rd grade, may go to Jr. Church.)	Jennifer Miller
SONG OF PRAYER	“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus” (Sing twice)	#349
MESSAGE	“I Will Focus on What Christ Has Done for Me” (Part 8 in the Series, “I WILL: 9 Traits of the Outwardly Focused Christian”)	Pastor Alice Wolfe
	Philippians 4:4-13	
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER (Words will be on the screen.)		
OFFERING (All coins in the offering go to missions)		
	“Standing on the Promises” by Carter	
RESPONSE	“Doxology”	#95
*HYMN OF COMMITMENT	“Count Your Blessings”	Words on Screen
*BLESSING AND SENDING OUT TO SERVE		
POSTLUDE		

PIANIST: Julie Ulrich

Notes from the Message:

(Ideas for this message come from Thom Rainer’s book, *I WILL! Nine Traits of Outwardly Focused Christians*)

Make it REAL!  
How can YOU make God’s Word REAL in YOUR life?

1. Imagine that you were in prison. What might you think or feel? Read Phil. 4:1-13, realizing that Paul was in prison when he wrote it. What was Paul thinking & feeling? Were your imagined thoughts and feelings similar to or different from Paul’s? Why? Paul faced challenges, suffering, and death, and yet he chose to rejoice. How was he able to do this? How might your life be different if you follow Paul’s example? Ask God to help you!
2. Every time a negative or critical thought comes to mind, choose to rejoice anyway! Choose to focus on what is good, right, and true. Ask God to help you think of at least 2 positive thoughts for every negative one—and choose to rejoice always!
3. God loves you and wants to live with you forever! If you would like to be part of God’s family, believe in Jesus and pray a prayer like the following: “Jesus, I believe you died on the cross & rose from the dead for my sins & the sins of the world. Please forgive me for all my sins [confess them to God]. Starting now, I ask you to be the Lord/leader of my life. Fill me with your Spirit to help me love and follow you every day. Amen.”

Contemporary  
Worship 10:45 AM

Gathering for Praise

Praiselude—“In Christ Alone”

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Greet Each Other in Christian Love—  
“Nothing But the Blood”

“He Has Made Me Glad”

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

Children’s Moments—Jennifer Miller  
(Children, ages 2 to 3rd grade, may go to Jr. Church.)

Baptism of Steven & Graham Mulcahy

“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

Hearing & Responding to God’s Word

“I Will Focus on What Christ Has Done for Me”  
- Pastor Alice Wolfe  
(Part 8 in the Series,  
“I WILL: 9 Traits of the Outwardly Focused Christian”)  
Philippians 4:4-13

Responding to God’s Word

Prayers of the People & the Lord’s Prayer  
(The words of the Lord’s Prayer will be on the screen.)

Offering—“Give Thanks”  
(All coins in the offering go to missions)

“Count Your Blessings”

Blessing and Sending Out to Serve

PRAISE TEAM: Mallory Stilwell & Jill Johnson

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\* You are invited to stand if able

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