

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 up to age 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

and in honor as we welcome Spring!

## 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: 1 Corinthians 13:6; Romans 12:9  
Monday: John 18:33-40; John 14:6  
Tuesday: Romans 1:16 - 2:13  
Wednesday: Malachi 3:6; 1 Samuel 15:29  
Thursday: 1 Timothy 3:14-16  
Friday: 1 John 4:1-8  
Saturday: Exodus 20:16; Ephesians 4:15

## JOIN US for WORSHIP & BRING a Friend!

- Mar. 25 10:00 a.m. One Combined Service**  
**"True Love... Always Perseveres"**  
*Special Music by the Choir*  
 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
 11:00 a.m. CHURCH POTLUCK
- Mar. 29 Holy Thursday Service, 7:00 p.m.**  
*Dramatic Reading of The Last Supper (in the sanctuary)*
- Mar. 30 Good Friday Service, 7:30 p.m.**  
*at Thurston United Methodist Church*
- Apr. 1 EASTER: RESURRECTION SUNDAY!**  
**7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service**  
**7:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast**  
*"Jesus Is Alive... & that's no foolin'!"*  
**8:45 a.m. Traditional Worship**  
**10:00 a.m. Sunday School**  
**11:00 a.m. Contemporary Service**

# 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**.



March 18, 2018

**Our Worship Together:** 8:30 A.M. Traditional Worship Service  
 9:50 A.M. Sunday School for All Ages  
 11:00 A.M. Contemporary Worship Service

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## Traditional Worship - 8:30 a.m.

- PRELUDE "Down to the River to Pray" by Hayes
- WELCOME Kristy Schooler
- \*SONG OF PRAISE "O Spirit of the Living God" #539
- \*OPENING PRAYER (from *A Guide to Prayer*)  
**Lord God, you who are the source of all truth, wisdom, justice, and love, lead us through this time of worship and throughout this day of service to you. Help us constantly to rest our lives upon the eternal foundations of your love and presence. Save us from haste and confusion, from wrongful desire, and the net of evil. Through the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, enlighten, instruct, and guide us all the day long. In the name of Jesus. Amen.**
- CHILDREN'S MOMENTS (*Children, ages 2 to 3rd grade, may go to Jr. Church.*) Joe Farmer  
(*As kids come forward*) "Jesus Loves the Little Children" Words on Screen
- SONG OF PRAYER "Open My Eyes, That I May See" #454
- MESSAGE "**True Love... Rejoices with the Truth**" Pastor Alice Wolfe  
(*Part 4 of the Series: "True Love"*)  
*1 Corinthians 13:6*
- PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Words will be on the screen.*)
- OFFERING (*All coins in the offering go to missions*)  
"As the Deer" by Nystrom
- RESPONSE "Doxology" #95
- \*SONG OF COMMITMENT "I Want a Principle Within" #410
- \*BLESSING AND SENDING OUT TO SERVE
- POSTLUDE

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PIANIST: Julie Ulrich

\* You are invited to stand if able

All hymns & praise songs are covered under CCLI # 745791

## Notes from the Message:

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

1. Read 1 Cor. 13:6. What do you learn about love? How can we rejoice with "the truth," if people disagree about what truth is? According to the Bible, what is the truth? (See Psalm 31:5; John 1:14-17; 14:6; 17:7; 1 John 4:1-8; Heb. 13:8-9) How does God want you to respond and live in truth?
2. Read Romans 1:16 - 2:13. What do you learn about God and truth? What do you learn about people and yourself? Pray and ask how God is calling you to respond and live according to his Word.
3. Each week in Lent, do at least one act of random kindness to show God's love to someone outside the church.
4. 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 11:00 a.m.

### Gathering for Praise

Praiselude—"Voice of Truth"

Welcome

Greet Each Other in Christian Love—  
"Light of the World"

Opening Prayer

"Indescribable"

"Open Up the Heavens"

Children's Moments—Joe Farmer  
(*Children, ages 2 to 3rd grade, may go to Jr. Church.*)

"Forever Reign"

### Hearing & Responding to God's Word

"**True Love... Rejoices with the Truth**"  
- Pastor Alice Wolfe

(*Part 4 of the Series: "True Love"*)

*1 Corinthians 13:6*

### 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—"One True God"  
(*All coins in the offering go to missions*)

"I Could Sing of Your Love Forever"

### Blessing and Sending Out to Serve

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PRAISE TEAM: Jill Johnson, Tim & Peggy Lawlis  
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