



NEWS & NEEDS



NEXT FOOD PANTRY DISTRIBUTION

Wednesday, September 16th | 10:00-11:30 am

Food Pantry Needs for September:

Sugar, Mayonnaise, Jelly

DATES TO NOTE

Tuesday, September 8:

*LLDC Meeting, 6:00 pm

Wednesday, September 9:

*Journeys, 6:00 pm

*Youth Activities, 6:30 pm

*Choir Practice, 7:00 pm

Thursday, September 10:

*Sing a New Song UMW Circle, 10:00 am

Saturday, September 12:

*UMM/HCHM Car Show, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Sunday, September 13:

*Bluegrass Sunday feat. Timberwinds, 10:00 am

Monday, September 14:

*Prisca's Partners, 10:00 am

*Church Council Meeting, 6:30 pm

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Church Office Hours: Mon - Thurs, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Office Phone: (865) 922-1412

WiFi Network: "Christ UMC Guest" (no password required)

Introducing Our *Backpack Blessings* Ministry

Sometimes a small gift can make a big difference in the life of a child.

Christ United Methodist Church has started a new "micro-ministry" called **Backpack Blessings**. We have collected school supplies and prepared a small supply of approximately six backpacks that will be kept in the church office for emergency needs.

When a local school social worker contacts us about a child who needs school supplies, we will be able to provide a backpack filled with the basics they need to get started. Sandy Carroll, one of our church office volunteers and a part-time teacher's aide, has personally visited several local schools to introduce herself to their social workers and let them know that CUMC has these backpacks available when a child has an unexpected need. Sandy knows firsthand how important it is for children to have the supplies they need to participate fully in the classroom. A backpack may seem like a small thing, but to a child who doesn't have the necessary supplies, it can mean feeling prepared, included, and cared for.

Each backpack also includes a special Christ UMC nametag for the child to fill out with their name and contact information, along with this reminder from Joshua 1:9:

"Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

Several members of our congregation have already pledged financial support to help keep our small inventory stocked as backpacks are given to children in need.

We may only have six backpacks waiting in our office, but we believe God can use small acts of kindness to make a lasting difference. ❤️

Thank you for helping CUMC be a church that notices a need—and is ready to respond.



CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 6, 2026

Our Mission: To Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World.



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Sunday Morning Worship: 10 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. for all ages

Pastor: Rev. Mark Kilbourne

Director of Music: Sarah Holloway

Organist: Mike Beckley | **Pianist:** Nancy Hodges

Today's Liturgist: Jane Hunley

CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

- ORDER OF WORSHIP -

September 6, 2026 | 10:00 a.m. | Sanctuary & Online

Welcome Visitors

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Jane Hunley

- Leader: We come before God, not knowing the whole story, but trusting the One who holds it.
- **People: We come with faith, ready to take the next step.**
- Leader: Let us worship the God for whom nothing is impossible!
- **People: With faith in our hearts, we worship the Lord!**

*Congregational Hymn

“The Longer I Serve Him” | On Screen

Children’s Message

Rev. Mark Kilbourne

(Children may exit immediately following this moment for additional activities.)

*Congregational Hymn

“I’d Rather Have Jesus” | On Screen

Offertory Prayer

Rev. Kilbourne

Offering

*Doxology

UMH #95

Pastoral Prayer | The Lord’s Prayer

Rev. Kilbourne

Scripture

Luke 1:26-38(NRSV)

Anthem

“Breath of Heaven” | CUMC Choir

Message

“The Yes That Changed the World” | Rev. Kilbourne

Invitation to Holy Communion

Communion

Today’s Communion servers: Skip Allen & Kathy Brockelman, Larry & Lisa Beeler

*Congregational Hymn

“It is Well” | UMH #377

*Benediction

*Sending Litany

- Leader: We may not know what lies ahead, but we know the One who goes before us.
- **People: We will trust God and take the next step.**
- Leader: May God give us courage when the path is uncertain and strength when the journey is difficult.
- **People: We will not lean on our own understanding, but trust in the Lord.**
- Leader: Go now in faith, trusting the God for whom nothing is impossible. In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **All: Amen.**

Postlude

**Rise in body or in spirit.*



If you would like to reserve a Sunday to provide flowers in honor or memory of someone, please add your request to the Flower Calendar outside of the church office, or call the office to check for availability.

WELCOME TO CHRIST UMC



Welcome to Christ UMC! Whether you are visiting for the first time or have been with us for years, please take a moment to mark your attendance in the **pew book** at the end of your row. **If you are visiting today**, be sure to get a **Welcome Bag** from our ushers and complete the **Contact Card** inside to share your contact information, prayer requests, or anything else you would like our office to know.



The Countdown Is On!

It’s less than a week

until the

UMM/HCHM

Community Car Show!



If you've ever wondered what the **United Methodist Men (UMM)** at Christ UMC are all about, this is a great example! Each year, our UMM members put their faith into action by creating opportunities for fellowship, service, and connection with our community—and our Community Car Show is one of their biggest events of the year.

Now in its 4th year, the Community Car Show brings together car enthusiasts, families, friends, and neighbors for a fun day right here in our community. And it's all made possible through the hard work and dedication of our United Methodist Men!

So mark your calendar, shine up that ride, and join us September 12th for a great day at the Car Show!

CHURCH PRAYER LIST

Cindy Skaggs

Mark Grace *(son of Karen Grace)*

Sheila Morris

Lyn and Larry Coble

Lisa Beeler

Lou Watson

Phyllis Denny *(sister of Paul Tatum)*

Judy Lewis *(grandmother of Ty Matherly)*

Sharon Grissom *(sister of Cynthia Waters)*

Mark Roberts *(nephew Nancy&Skip Allen)*

The family of Marshall Crippen

Linda Skaggs

Ralph Caldwell

The family of Donna Bittle

Carolyn Hatfield *(mother of Larry Beeler)*

Carrie Judy *(daughter of Kathy Brockelman)*

The family of Lindsey Hrica *(niece of Nancy Counts)*

James Miller *(brother of Kathy Brockelman)*

The family of Nell Bowers *(Shannon Wilson’s mother)*

Names remain on the prayer list for 4 weeks unless requested otherwise. To add or omit a name from this list, contact the church office at 865-922-1412 or email leah@christumcknox.com.

Church Key Update

The locks to the New Kitchen have been updated, so old keys will no longer work. New keys will be distributed as needed.

We are also updating our church key inventory; if you or someone you know has church keys (Main door, Old and New Kitchen, etc.) that are no longer needed, please turn them in to the church office.

Thank you for helping us keep our records—and our building—secure!

