



NEWS + NEEDS



Angel Tree 2025

Help make Christmas happen for a local child by shopping for our Angel Tree Project (trees are located all around the church). Unwrapped gifts are due back no later than Sunday, December 14.

Save the Date: Santa Brunch 2025

Our annual Santa Brunch will take place on Saturday, December 13, from 10:00-12:00, coordinated by the United Methodist Men. Free breakfast, pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus, activities, and prizes for all! This event is free and open to the community. Bring friends!



Join our Staff! If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming our next youth director beginning in January, we invite you to look at the job description by clicking the QR code here.



DATES TO NOTE

- Sunday, Nov. 23: Commitment Sunday
- Thursday, Nov. 27: OFFICE CLOSED—Thanksgiving
- Sunday, Nov. 30: First Sunday of Advent
- Monday, Dec. 1: Church Council, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, Dec. 3: Christmas Movie Night, 6 p.m.
- Thursday, Dec. 4: Food Pantry, 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 6: UMW Unit Meeting, 10 a.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 13: UMM Meeting, 8:30 a.m.
- Santa Brunch, 10 a.m.
- Wednesday, Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Service, 5 p.m.

Church Office Operations:

Monday-Thursday, 9:00-3:00; closed on Fridays
865-922-1412

Website — www.christumcknox.com

Prayer Chain — christumcprayers@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS FAMILY FUN NIGHT
At Christ UMC
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3
6:00 p.m. | Gym
Free popcorn, cocoa, and cider
Bring your family, wear your favorite Christmas gear, & enjoy a holiday movie together!



Saturday, December 6 | 10 a.m.
Wesley Hall

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Join Our Email List!

For full announcements and updates, please refer to our online newsletter, *The Christ Connection*, which is emailed out every week. If you are not an email subscriber and would like to receive weekly emails and announcements, scan the QR Code here to access the online form.



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



CHRIST

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

November 23, 2025



7535 Maynardville Pike, Knoxville, TN 37938

Phone: (865) 922-1412 | www.christumcknox.com

Sunday Morning Worship: 10 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:00 & 11:00 for all ages

Pastor: Rev. Mark Kilbourne

Director of Music: Sarah Holloway

Organist: Mike Beckley | Pianist: Nancy Hodges

Today's Liturgist: Karen Woods

CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, KNOXVILLE
—TRADITIONAL WORSHIP—

November 23, 2025 | 10:00 a.m. | Sanctuary & Online

- Prelude
- Welcome

Karen Woods
- *Congregational Hymn

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” | UMH #139
- *Apostles’ Creed

UMH #881 (also on screen)
- Children's Message

Rev. Mark Kilbourne

(Children may exit following the Children’s Message for children’s worship with Ms. Samantha and her team of volunteers.)
- *Congregational Hymn

“I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord” | UMH #540
- Stewardship Moment + Giving of Commitment Cards for 2026

Rev. Kilbourne
- Offertory Prayer
- Offertory
- *Doxology

UMH #95
- Pastoral Prayer, followed by The Lord’s Prayer

(Please be in prayer for those individuals being displayed on the Prayer List that is up on the screen and in your bulletin.)
- Scripture

John 18:33-37 (NRSV)
- Anthem

“Thine is The Kingdom” | CUMC Choir;
- Message

“A Kingdom Not of This World” | Rev. Kilbourne
- *Congregational Hymn

“Seek Ye First” | UMH #405
- *Benediction

Rev. Kilbourne
- Postlude
- *Rise in body or in spirit*



Today’s altar flowers are in honor of Harry and Ruth Beason’s 60th Wedding Anniversary, given by their family. Congratulations!

The altar flower calendar is located on the bulletin board outside the church office if you’d like to reserve a Sunday to dedicate flowers in honor or in memory of someone. You may sign up directly on the flower calendar OR call the office during the week (865-922-1412) to check availability for the remainder of 2025.



WELCOME TO CHRIST UMC!

Whether you are visiting today or have been with us for many years, we invite you to take a moment and mark your attendance in our **pew books** at the end of your row, and fill out a **Connection Card** also located in your pew to let us know more about yourself, a change in contact information, a prayer request, or anything else you need our office to know. Welcome gift bags are available if you are visiting today—please see an usher for yours. Have a wonderful Sunday!



Stewardship 2026 Campaign

Today is Stewardship Sunday, and we hope you have been prayerfully considering the ways you can use your gifts to further the future of our church. Later in the service, you’ll have an opportunity to commit your pledge for 2026, ensuring that the ministries of CUMC will grow and thrive because of your generosity.

Oue thanks goes to our Stewardship Committee for their time and efforts to promote the 2026 campaign. These individuals have been instrumental in implementing a comprehensive ministry of Christian stewardship that includes education, inspiration, and action for the congregation.

Stewardship Committee Members:

Hank Blanton

Ralph Davis

Jennifer Harris

Jane Hunley

David & Sheila Morris

Todd Sheppard

Becca Treece



Click the QR code below to find out more about how your love for Christ UMC can give for years to come:

Stewardship 2026
Christ United Methodist Church

CHURCH PRAYER LIST

Kim Counts

Cindy Skaggs

Mark Grace

Sheila Morris

Jaxton King

Lois Watkins

Vicki Clair

Lindsey, niece of Nancy Counts

David Landreth

Lyn and Larry Coble

Ann Eaves Parker

Bonnie Belile

Lisa Beeler

Phyllis Denny

Mark Roberts

The Tillery family

Lisa C. Beeler (sister of Larry Beeler)

Paula Williams

Names remain on our Prayer List for **4 weeks, unless requested otherwise. To add or omit a name on this list, please contact the church office, 865-922-1412 or scan the QR code here to send an email to office staff.*





THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED THIS THURSDAY IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING DAY.