

Into the Wild

Matisse and the Colors of Lent



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Deeply Moved

Christ Church United Methodist

March 26, 2023

Colors of Lent Order of Worship

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*Denotes when congregation is invited to stand, in body or spirit.

Bold type denotes congregation speaking aloud.

UMH: United Methodist Hymnal | TFWS: The Faith We Sing

Gathering Music — *When Jesus Wept* by William Billings Roots and Wings Choir

Light of Christ — *Make Room* by Spencer LaJoye Ashley Boldt, guitar

Welcome and Opening Prayer Katherine Turpin

*Call to Worship

They were looking for a dead friend, mourning a loss.

Caught up in grief, we worry about stone-cold tombs.

They were prepared for death, but not for life.

We are so often ready for sadness, but not for joy.

Yet, resurrection flips the world upside down, turning it all around!

Life after death sets love on the throne, and hope on the horizon.

Resilience is possible in each moment, making our lives different.

As we dare to trust Divine mystery, God renews our hope, fills us with courage, and causes us to sing!

*Opening Hymn — *I am the Bread of Life* by Suzanne Toolan Pew Insert vs. 1, 2, 4

*Passing the Peace

All-Age Story and Koins for Kids Offering for Pura Vida Rev. Emily Flemming

Children pre-K through 5th grade are invited downstairs for Children's Church.

Please pick up your children downstairs after worship.

Scripture Reading — John 11: 1-3, 17-37 (NRSVUE) Katherine Turpin

This is a word of God for a people of God.

Thanks be to God, Amen.

Sermon — "Deeply Moved" Rev. Emily Flemming

Hymn of Reflection — *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* UMH 420 vs. 1, 3, 4

Sharing Joys, Concerns and Prayer Rev. Emily Flemming

Offering Connection Katherine Turpin

*Closing Hymn — *Tree of Life* by Marty Haugen Pew Insert vs. General and 5

*Benediction Rev. Emily Flemming

*Postlude

~ Please remain in your pew until the Light of Christ exits. ~

Lenten Challenge: As we prepare for Holy Week, take two Matisse-inspired “wilderness” breaks. Reflect on any difficult emotion or current experience (like discouragement or hurt). Then journal or draw a sketch or still life twice: in a different light, at a different time of day, or in a different mood. Allow your emotions to shape your color choices, words and approach to the subject.

Please tear along crease and place in the offering plate.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Week of March 26th

- Please share in the newsletter.
- For staff prayer only.

Announcements

Altar Flowers are given today by Lisa Hawthorne in honor of her mother, Amanda Belton.

Many thanks to today’s volunteers:

Kristen Vuletich and Kate Yonushewski, Welcome Team
Ben Blackmun and Reilly Hudak, Worship Technology
Marlene Koehler and Marty Turner, Financial Counters

Choir is rehearsing the Hallelujah Chorus and other special music for Easter on Sundays at 11:30am (Sanctuary) and 6:30pm Wednesdays (choir room). Want to sing but can’t come to rehearsals? Talk with Dave Ramsey.

Christ Church’s Care Team meets Tuesday, March 28 at 7pm on Zoom.

Calling All Youth and Children! Youth Sunday is April 23rd and we’d love your help. Please let Ms. Lisa know if you will greet, read, sing, play an instrument or help with worship.

The Pollinator Garden planting day is 9am to 1pm Sat., June 10th. Plan to attend and watch the newsletter for more details on how to sign up to help.

Fellowship Time is after worship in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us for coffee, tea, bagels, and conversation.

Join us for a workshop in the Upper Room on April 6th after the Maundy Thursday service to discuss community values and the way we covenant to conduct ourselves in relationships. A lite meal will be provided.

Holy Week at Christ Church:

Palm Sunday, April 2nd, Worship at 10:15am
Maundy Thursday, April 6th, Hand and Foot Washing Worship at 6pm
Good Friday, April 7th, Worship at 6pm
Easter Sunday, April 9th, Worship at 9am & 10:30am

Education Classes meet every Sunday at 9am
Sunday Seminar in Chapel and on Zoom
Children’s Sunday School in the Children’s Wing

Financial Update: In 2022 we gave \$119K to social justice and mission programs, including \$50K (each year for 3 years to honor our 150th Anniversary) to Habitat for Humanity, \$14K to Colorado Village Collaborative, and \$5K to Aurora Interfaith Community Services.

WE WANT TO KNOW

When you face deep sadness, loss or grief, what helps you to feel better? And what doesn’t help?

Please complete the connections slip and place in offering plate.

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Name(s): _____

Children in attendance: _____

Street: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email(s): _____

My contact info has changed.

I am/We are

Member/s

Regular Attender

First-Time Visitor

Visitors, how'd you hear about us?

Banners

Friend: _____

Website

Facebook

What drew you to our community?

The church office needs to know:

I would like to receive emailed newsletters.

I would appreciate a nametag.

Please help connect me to:

Welcome to Worship

Welcome to Christ Church United Methodist! This faith community works to be R.E.A.L. (helping you **Relate, Engage, Advocate, and Learn**). We share a deep connection to God and one another, loving across differences. We are excited that you found us and hope that you will feel relaxed, and comfortable. Please reach out to pastors or staff if you have any questions.

Children - We love and welcome all ages in worship. Enjoy our Wiggle Bags, or visit the Children's Library in the lobby. The Nursery is available for ages 0-4.

Social Distance Indicators -Please choose and display your comfort level:
Red = Please maintain 6' distance.
Yellow = Some closer contact ok (i.e. elbow bumps).
Green = High fives and handshakes welcome.

Giving and Serving - Checks and cash are welcome in the offering plates at the rear of the sanctuary. Drop a check in the mail, or text any amount to 720-806-4114 to use our website for online donations.

Privacy - Worship this morning is livestreamed to YouTube. If you prefer not to be on screen, please sit near the back and keep children in your seats during the All-Age Story.

Connect With Us

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