

Towerlight

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When I was a kid, one of my favorite Saturday morning cartoons (remember Saturday morning cartoons?) was Transformers. There was more to them than meets the eye.

There is more to the Christian life than meets the eye as well.

There is worship which most people can see happening and grasp, at least on the surface, what is going on.

There is Bible study. Same thing.

When you get beyond the surface of worship and Sunday School, there is so much more... indeed, more than meets the eye.

It is this more that makes the difference between a mediocre experience of Christianity and the life changing experience of Christ and community.

Service. Mission. Witness. Compassion. Relationship. Personal Development. Social Transformation.

All of these and more open up when we commit ourselves to enter one another's lives and, together, embrace a hurting world with the healing power of Jesus Christ.

Worship and Sunday School are great, but they will only take you so far.

If you are wanting a faith that is more than meets the eye, I pray that you will take some opportunities this fall to be transformed and become a transformer with me.

Our Administrative Council is beginning a journey of recasting what it means to be "Church". Please begin by praying for them or, more radically still, joining them in the journey.

How?

Ask what they are learning.

Or pray for them.

Or ask to join in the learning with them.

Or be a steady voice that says, "I know Pastor Kurt is weird. I get it. I am sure the disorientation that comes with trying to think like him will pass quickly." :)

How will you walk with the Ad Council team as they begin the journey of shifting Christ's culture?

Shalom,
Rev. Kurt

Church Events/ Meetings

Finance Committee will meet Mon., Aug. 9th at 6pm via Zoom.

Foster Friends will meet Aug. 9th & 23rd at 10am in the Pastors' Study.

Lay Leadership will meet Mon., Aug. 9th at 7:15pm via Zoom.

Staff Parish will meet Mon. Aug. 23rd at 6:30pm in the Pastors' Study.

Trustees Committee will meet Mon., Aug. 2nd at 6:30pm in the Pastors' Study.

Worship Planning will meet Mon., Aug. 2nd at 7:30pm in the Pastors' Study.

Women of Faith Bible Study will meet every Tuesday at 10am in room 4.

For a current list of events go to www.christumchurch.org/calendar



For the month of **Aug.** we will be collecting **CANNED RAVIOLI, CANNED SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS, CANNED CHICKEN, CANNED PORK & BEANS, AND GRANOLA BARS.** Cases of items are appreciated as well as monetary donations. Donations can be left in the shopping carts near the entry to the Gym. Questions: please see Diana Jones or phone her at 765- 474-3528. Indeed, we are "feeding the least of these" and providing an expression of

God's love to hungry children in our community. **THANKS** for your loyalty and support.



At CUMC we see membership as a critical part of the Path to Discipleship and opportunities to faithfully serve.

Our mission is to:
“Make New and Maturing Disciples for the Transformation of the World”

Pastor Kurt and Pastor Bruce will walk with this class in a new and exciting journey of living out our faith are you ready to be “ALL IN”?

We will talk about relational connections, how we connect with others, share our story of faith, and our connection story with CUMC.

This class will meet for 8 weeks on Tuesday’s starting August 31st-October 19th from 6:30-8:00 pm at CUMC

Interested in joining this class or have questions? contact Carol Yarian | carol@christumchurch.org 765-474-4313

Youth group will meet on Sundays beginning Aug. 15th 4:00pm - 5:30pm.

CPR TRAINING
Get certified. Save a life. You'll be glad you did.

It can save your life, your children's lives, your parents' lives, or even a stranger's life. ... Cardiopulmonary resuscitation, more commonly known as **CPR and AED** training are an important resource in an emergency. Effective **CPR** provided immediately after sudden cardiac arrest can double or triple a victim's chance of survival. **AED**, or automatic external defibrillator, is used to help those experiencing sudden cardiac arrest re-establish an effective heart rhythm. **First Aid** saves lives, reduces recovery time, and prevents medical situations from getting worse.

Tuesday August 24th, 2021 6:00—8:00 pm

CPR/AED training \$25.00

First Aid/AED/CPR training \$45.00

Contact: Carol Yarian or email carol@christumchurch to sign up for the class

Deadline to register is August 17th, 2021



Ways to Give Your Offering at CUMC

If you are able to join us in person you may drop your offering in the plate. Offering envelopes are available in the Narthex. Be sure to include your name on the envelope.

Electronic giving offers convenience for individual congregation members and provides much-needed donation consistency for our congregation.

go to www.christumchurch.org/giving or simply text the dollar amount to 844-266-5452 to give electronically.

*Thank
you!*

Dear CUMC,
We received your check of \$1,228.00
for the Tippecanoe Co. United Food
Pantry. The Church Women United
thank you for your very generous
donation. We serve the hungry in our
county with your gifts of money and
food staples and volunteers.

Yours in serving Christ,
Mary Alice Bauman, Treasurer

"God's Been Good To Me"

I'm mindful of the blessings
That come my way each day.
My heart is overflowing
Each time I kneel to pray.

I'm thankful for the seasons;
Each one's a masterpiece.
I'm allowed to work the land,
But God still holds the lease.

I'm grateful for the friendships
That brighten sorrow's way,
Because my cup of happiness
Sustains me everyday.

I love the children and the flowers
That decorate my life
And the quiet, gentle hours
Free from worry and strife.

I'm grateful for eyes that see
The beauty of it all
Because God's been good to me
And blessed me through it all.

I'm thankful for the little things
That fill my life with love.
The best things in life are free;
They come from God above!

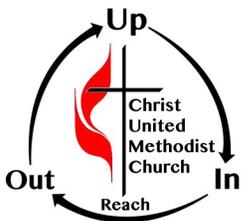
- Clay Harrison



Aug. 1 Ed Armstrong, Joshua Gilmore, Laura Willenborg **Aug. 3** Lynn Richardson **Aug. 5** Gary Dowling, Staci Gray-Allen, Christi Lower, Helen Von Kannon **Aug. 6** Margie Niles **Aug. 7** Brett Bobzien, Amanda Glidden, Susan Robey **Aug. 8** Bryan Miller **Aug. 9** Amanda Habben, Kathy Newman, Lou Samudio **Aug. 10** Hal Acree **Aug. 11** Gary Boardman **Aug. 12** Vicki Croy **Aug. 13** Twyla Gibson, Amanda Pendleton, Grace Wolf **Aug. 14** Robert Farrell **Aug. 15** Brenda Wallar, Jamie Wolf **Aug. 17** Stan Burkart **Aug. 18** Aimee Ungersma **Aug. 19** Abby Beeler **Aug. 21** Connie Hawk, Kat Noe, Coy Stelter **Aug. 22** Aubriella Schulze, Herb Wingard **Aug. 25** Carol Aebi, Isaac Freeman **Aug. 26** Karra Ferger, Jake Mayer **Aug. 27** Norm Blanchard, Gary Kingma **Aug. 28** Randy Lower, MarLen Slagel, Oliver Wiggins **Aug. 30** Hudson Allen, Pat Wright **Aug. 31** Rhonda Pendleton

Happy **HAPPY** *Anniversary*
ANNIVERSARY

John & Carol Aebi	August 01, 1964
Sean & Jocelyn Trospen	August 09, 2010
Hilsabeck, Mike & Lisa	August 11, 2001
Mark & Paula Thoennes	August 14, 1993
Jim & Inge Maresh	August 15, 1971
Dean & Judy Rusk	August 15, 1958
Kurt & Elizabeth Freeman	August 16, 1997
Mike & Wanda Winstead	August 18, 1979
Rob & Kim Outhouse	August 19, 1989
Vicki & Ken Croy	August 20, 1972
Russ & Bev Herren	August 24, 1968
Frank & Jan O'Shea	August 25, 1962
Ed & Ruby Armstrong	August 26, 1989
Robert & Melia Farrell	August 27, 1994
Jim & Kathy Newman	August 27, 1972
Claude & Sharon Sawyer	August 27, 1966
Tony & Joyce Pilotte	August 28, 1982
Bob & Phyllis Bell	August 29, 1971
Randy & Cathy Hillyer	August 30, 1970
Steve & Doreen Habben	August 31, 1985
Chuck & Deb Simpson	August 31, 1974



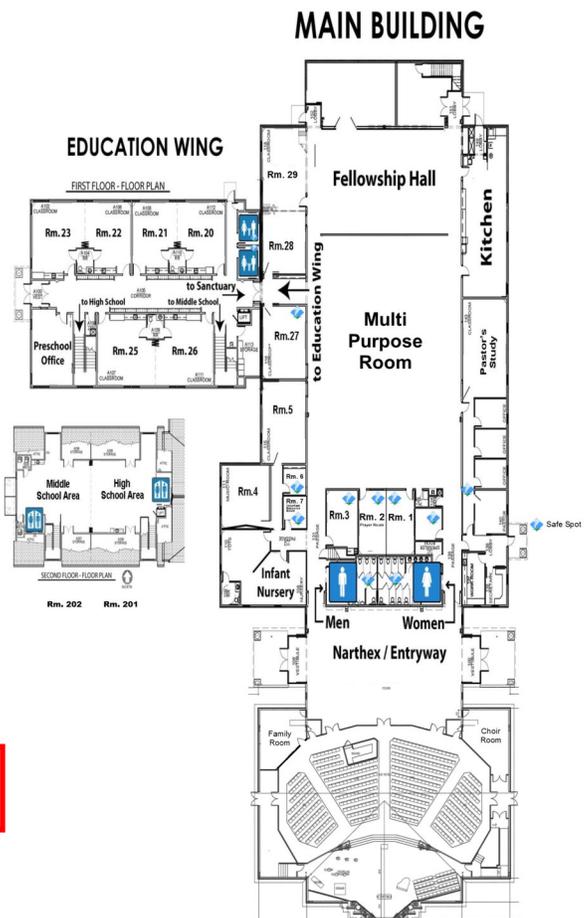
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Sunday Morning Schedule

8:30 am - 9:30 am Traditional Worship Service
 9:45 am - 10:30 am Spiritual Formation Opportunities
 10:45 am - 11:45 am Informal Worship Service

Clergy Senior Pastor Kurt Freeman,
 Visitation Pastor Bruce Mowery, & Pastor Emeritus Herb Wingard
Program Staff Emily Mayer, Jack Dwiggin, Carol Yarian, Jake Mayer
Support Staff Hollie Kessler, Terra Tilley, Vicki Croy, Lisa Mott
Early Learning Carrie McCool, Lauren McCool

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HAVE A PASTORAL EMERGENCY? CALL 765-421-6093

If you or a loved one are experiencing a Spiritual or Medical Emergency this number will reach the Pastor on call.