

September 10, 2023 9:00 AM

Pastor

Rev. Adam Rush

Music Director

Pianist

Buckley Walker

Lisa Copeland

Worshiping at Christ UMC, 1322 W. Broadway, Mayfield, Kentucky

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Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Words in **bold** are read or sung by the congregation | <u>UMH</u>=United Methodist Hymnal All scriptures are NRSV unless notated

*Today's Power Verse: "For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." Matthew 18:20

Gathering

Peal of Bells	Habakkuk 2:20 The Lord is in His Holy Temple Let all the Earth keep Silence before him.	
Prelude	My Jesus, I Love Thee	Lisa Copeland
Welcome Prayer Requests Shout Outs		Mollie Beck
Opening Prayer Gracious God, we come this day seeking courage and hope for the future. Our world is in such peril. Heal these wounds and quiet the words of war. Help us to be those who bring peace in our families and communities. Banish the darkness of doubt and fear; anoint us with your light and love that we may spread the good news of your mercy to everyone. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.		Congregation
Hymn of Praise	Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah	UMH 127 (ALL)
* Power Verse		
Prayer of Illumination Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.		Congregation
Scripture Reading	Exodus 12:1-14	
Silent Prayer Pastoral Prayer The Lord's Prayer		Rev. Adam Rush
Psalter	Psalm 148	UMH 861

Hymn of Celebration	The Gift of Love	UMH 408 (ALL)
Scripture Reading	Romans 13:8-14	Mollie Beck
Offering		Rev. Adam Rush
Doxology		UMH 95
Scripture Reading	Matthew 18:15-20	
Hymn of Dedication	He Leadeth Me	UMH 128 (v. 1)
* Power Verse		
Sermon	"The Journey Begins: What is the Sign?"	Rev. Adam Rush
Invitation		
Hymn of Dedication	He Leadeth Me	UMH 128 (ALL)
Benediction		Rev. Adam Rush
Postlude	For All the Saints	Lisa Copeland





As we launch or continue our journey of faith, are we called to look for signs of God's presence or are we called to be a sign of God's presence? The answer, as you might expect, is yes!



to worship with us!

Mayfield First UMC exists for the purpose of making disciples for Jesus Christ!

MEMORIAL BOTTLE CAP BENCHES

The Mayfield Lions Club & Purchase Players are collecting and recycling bottle caps to make 24 memorial benches to represent the 24 people who perished in the December 2021 tornado.

There is a collection bin in the Dockery classroom at Christ UMC for you to drop off any plastic lids and caps you have.



We'll be having Shoebox Packing Parties soon! Items are needed as we work toward our goal of filling 200 shoeboxes. You

will see a poster on the inside front door of the sanctuary with pull-off notes of supplies that are needed. When you make purchases, you may place them in the bin at the front door. Thank you for all your contributions!!





KOINONIA {def: christian fellowship; a body of believers} The Koinonia Adult Sunday School Class is now meeting in the West-end Classroom at Christ UMC. Everyone is welcome to join us at 10:00 AM each Sunday.

We are beginning our study with James Moore's book, *The Parables of Jesus*. If you're not currently in a Sunday School class, please feel free to visit the Koinonia Class. Contact person is Khadra Turley.

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