



# Mayfield First

## United Methodist Church

**September 17, 2023**  
**9:00 AM**

**Pastor**

Rev. Adam Rush

**Music Director**

Buckley Walker

**Pianist**

Lisa Copeland

*Worshiping at*

Christ UMC, 1322 W. Broadway, Mayfield, Kentucky

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# Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

## **\*Today's Power Verse:**

**"Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?'"**

Matthew 18:21

## Gathering

### Peal of Bells

Habakkuk 2:20  
The Lord is in His Holy Temple  
Let all the Earth keep Silence before him.

### Prelude

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

Lisa Copeland

### Welcome | Prayer Requests | Shout Outs

Jennifer Walker

### Opening Prayer

We sing and speak your praise, O God,  
grateful for the many ways in which you have healed us.  
Keep our hearts, our minds, and our spirits open  
to learn ways in which we can offer healing love for others.  
For we ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Congregation

### Hymn of Praise

*O How I Love Jesus*

UMH 170 (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 14:19-31

### Silent Prayer | Pastoral Prayer | The Lord's Prayer

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### Psalter

Canticle of Moses and Miriam

UMH 135

### Hymn of Celebration

*Grace Greater than Our Sin*

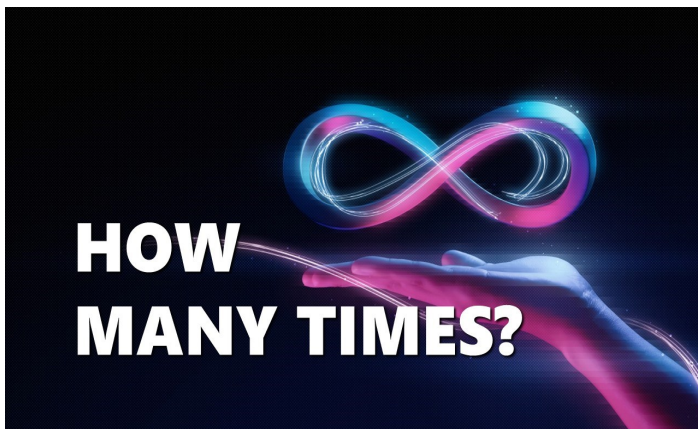
UMH 365 (vv. 1, 2, 4)

### Scripture Reading

Romans 14:1-12

Jennifer Walker

Offering		Rev. Adam Rush
Doxology		UMH 95
Scripture Reading	Matthew 18:21-35	
Hymn of Dedication	<i>Wonderful Words of Life</i>	UMH 600 (v. 1)
* Power Verse		
Sermon	"The Journey Begins: How Many Times?"	Rev. Adam Rush
Invitation		
Hymn of Dedication	<i>Wonderful Words of Life</i>	UMH 600 (ALL)
Benediction		Rev. Adam Rush
Postlude	<i>Joyful, Joyful</i>	Lisa Copeland



We can be honest with ourselves and with God as we realize that we too often have asked that same question, "How many times must I forgive?"

# Welcome!

We're glad you chose  
to worship with us!

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



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COMING EVENTS AT  
MAYFIELD FIRST UMC? IT'S NOW  
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Call 270-247-5678 and  
give us your email address.  
We are happy to add you  
to those mailings!



SUNDAY School!  
for all children  
and youth!

Sundays  
@ 10:15 AM  
316 S. 8th Street




### 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.

### POWER VERSE

Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another  
member of the church sins against me, how often  
should I forgive? As many as seven times?"  
Matthew 18:21



Shoobox Packing Party  
Saturday, September 23rd  
from 10:00 AM—2:00 PM.

At the Project 316 Building  
at 316 S. 8th Street in Mayfield.

For more information contact Khadra Turley  
at 270-705-7068.



## 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.  
Contact person is Khadra Turley.



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