

## PRAYER NEEDS

### —Our Church Family—

Fred Boyd | Davy & Juanita Crocket | Shirley Van Duzer | Dan Long | Jerry Ferguson  
Cindy & Richard Hippensteal | Josette Gamble | Barbara Daughenbaugh

### —Homebound—

Mae Jones | Mary Ann Belisario | Nell Webster | Helen Rose | Tanya Roche

### —Our Pastor—

Rev. Eric Williams

### —Our Partner—

Christ UMC Preschool

### —Our Monthly Mission Highlight—

United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR)

### —Our Community, Nation and World Leaders—

Medical Personnel | Police | Firefighters | First Responders | Military Members

### —Our Family Members Serving our Nation—

Kurt Astroth—Navy | Seth Buswell—Coast Guard

Brandon Goodner, son-in-law of the Pauza's—Army

Vincent LaGrasso, nephew of Fred Boyd—Navy

Jeff Ransom, son of Jim & Anne Ransom—Navy | Christopher Sherrill, son of Virginia Sherrill—USAR

Kelly Spencer, niece of Mike and Becky Chambers—Army

Max & Dani Weaver, grandson of Nancy Russell and his wife —Navy

**CHRIST**  
United Methodist Church

#### **PASTOR, Rev. Eric Williams**

Appointments with Pastor Eric can be made by calling the church office,  
(904) 249-5370, X-200.

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# CHRIST United Methodist Church



HOW DO I KNOW?

SHEDDING LIGHT ON THE BIBLE

**August 27, 2023**  
**400 Penman Road,**  
**Neptune Beach, FL 32266**  
**904-249-5370 • www.christumcnb.org**

# Order of Worship

*\* Please rise in body or spirit*

## CHIMES

**PRELUDE:** "My Jesus, I Love Thee" by Carmen Johns

## WELCOME

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Liturgist, Eileen Sloth

## INVOCATION

**CALL TO WORSHIP:** Video

\* **OPENING HYMN:** "Be Thou My Vision" Hymn #451

\* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

\* **GLORIA PATRI - #70**

\* **PASSING THE PEACE/Adventure Kids**

**HYMN FOR ILLUMINATION:** "Open Our Eyes" Hymn #2086 in  
[The Faith We Sing](#)

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Romans 12:1-3 (NRSV)

**SERMON:** "How Do I Know... What's Important?" – Rev. Eric Williams

## PASTORAL PRAYER

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

## OFFERING

**ANTHEM:** "You Are the Light" by Tom Fettke, sung by Chancel Choir

\* **DOXOLOGY**

\* **CLOSING HYMN:** "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" Hymn #382

\* **BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE:** "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" by Tedd Smith, played by Lindita Kosova

## Announcements

**Welcome!** I We are so glad you're here. If you are looking for a church home, or just looking for a community to walk alongside you on your journey, look no further! Stop by the Information Table in the Lobby so we can say hello!

**Children I** While children of all ages are always welcome in our worship service, we offer childcare for infants through age 3. (Exit the sanctuary doors, the nursery is the first room on the right.)

**Give Now through Realm** I Your gifts support incredible ministries all over Northeast Florida! Online giving is fast, secure, and easy with Realm. Visit [www.onrealm.org/christumc/give/now](http://www.onrealm.org/christumc/give/now) or scan the QR code with your phone's camera and follow the link.



**Church-Wide Potluck** I Today after service, stick around and meet someone new from our church family. If this is your first Sunday, or you didn't sign up to bring a dish; you're invited too! We can't wait to see you after service today!

**You are invited!** I The Monday morning Bible study group will engage in a study of Romans written by Pamela Eisenbaum and facilitated by Carmen Johns every Monday at 10:00, beginning September 11. The evening group will engage in a study of Romans written by Max Lucado and facilitated by Jim Schrader, every Monday at 6:30 beginning September 11. Don't miss this opportunity to discover meaningful understandings of this rich Biblical text. Register through REALM or by calling the church office.

**Fellowship Time** I We are currently accepting signups for Fellowship after Service on a Sunday mornings. Not only will you be lending a hand, but your delicious snacks will complement the warm, friendly, and vibrant community of faith here at Christ UMC! We look forward to seeing you soon!

## This Week at Christ UMC

**Monday, August 28**  
1pm Congregational Care Mtg

**Wednesday, August 30**  
10am Preschool Chapel  
6:30pm Choir Practice

**Thursday, August 31**  
9:30am Preschool Singing  
10am Christ Quilters

**Friday, September 1**  
5pm Girl Scouts

**Sunday, September 3**  
**Labor Day Weekend**  
9am Heavenly Hash (Adult Bible Study in the Parlor)  
10:15am Worship in Person + online  
10:30am Adventure Kids  
No Fellowship today

**Young Professionals Gathering** I Taco bar and childcare are both included for a fun evening for those in their 20s - 40s to meet other young professionals in our community. September 1st at 6pm at the Parsonage. RSVP on Realm or email [Christumcnb@gmail.com](mailto:Christumcnb@gmail.com). Please indicate if you will need childcare.

**Pumpkin Patch Setup: September 16th at 9am!**  
**Save the Date!**

