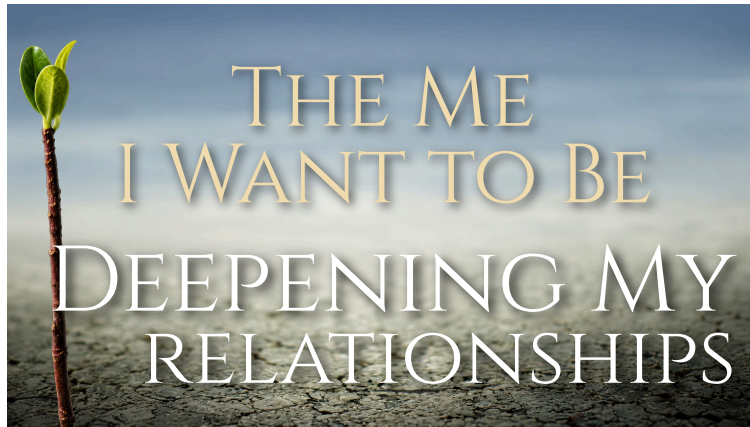




Christ United Methodist Church

October 11, 2026

†Please stand as you are able

Prelude

"How Great is Our God"

Josh Hayag (8:00)
Praise Team (10:00 DR)
Risë' Barker (10:00 YR)

Welcome, Gather, Grow, and Go

Rev. Jane Bradford (8:00)
Dawn Russell (10:00 DR)
Chris Roegner (10:00 YR)

Breakthrough Prayer

†Opening Song *"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"*

†Call to Worship

We thirst to love deeply and without distraction.

Let us give our attention fully to those around us.

Let us quiet pride and self-centeredness.

So that we may live in peace and harmony with others.

†The Peace

Stewardship Video

Prayers and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Jane Bradford

Anthem *"Goodness of God"*

Josh Hayag (8:00)
Praise Team (10:00 DR)

†Scripture Hebrews 10:24-25

Daniel Dunlap (8:00)
Karen Keller (10:00 DR)
Diane Kirkland (10:00 YR)

Sermon *"Deepening My Relationships"*

Rev. Caleb Hong

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Offering and †Doxology #95

†Closing Song *"I Could Sing of Your Love Forever"*

†Benediction

†Postlude

New visitors are invited to see an usher after the service. We have a gift for you!

2027 Pledge Cards

We will receive pledge cards during worship next Sunday, October 11 and October 18. As you prayerfully consider your contributions for 2027, Christ UMC thanks you for your generosity, which makes ministry possible. If you didn't receive a pledge card by mail, please stop by the church office or Welcome Center.

Winter Coat and Snowpants Collection

The Outreach Committee is collecting winter coats and snowpants (sizes 4-14) for preschool and elementary school students in the Rockford community. Donations may be brought to church **today, October 11, and next Sunday, October 18** to the collection cart by door #5.

Stop by the Youth Bake Sale After Worship

Support our youth group as they raise funds for Fall Retreat! Today and next Sunday, October 18, stop by the youth bake sale near door #6 for delicious homemade treats and help make fall retreat possible.

Kids and Youth: Thanksgiving Card Designs are Due This Week!

Kids and youth (4-18) are invited to design a card for CUMC's Thanksgiving Basket Project, which provides meals and encouragement to 150 families each year. The winning design will be printed in a card included in every basket. Submissions are due this Thursday, October 15 (drop in box at the Welcome Center, office, or email to cherise79@gmail.com).

Join us Next Week at the CROP Hunger Walk

Next Sunday, October 18 at 1:00 PM (Registration at 12:00 PM)

Help fight hunger at the Rockford CROP Walk at Riverfront Museum Park (711 N. Main St.)! Give online or register to walk: www.tinyurl.com/CROPWalkCUMC2026. Donations will be collected between services.

Family Meeting

Sunday, October 25 at 11:30 AM

Join us in the Dining Room for our next Family Meeting, a monthly conversation where our church family can gather to discuss joys, concerns, and ideas. This month, we'll learn about and celebrate the work of the Christ UMC History Team. Everyone is welcome!

Trunks and Candy Still Needed for Trunk-or-Treat!

Wednesday, October 28 from 5:30-7:00 pm

We're looking for volunteers to decorate their trunk and pass out candy at this year's Trunk-or-Treat! We currently have 12 trunks registered and need at least 20 to make this event as successful as possible for our congregation and neighbors. If you can help, contact Katherine at kwoodard@christumc.cc. Candy donations are also appreciated and will be accepted at door #6 until the day of the event.

Has Your Contact Information Changed?

If you've had a change in phone number, mailing address, or email address within the last six months, let us know by filling out a card at the Welcome Center. A contact information addendum sheet for church directories will be printed in the coming weeks.

Our October Mission Coin Offering Goes to UMCOR (Where Most Needed)

UMCOR (United Methodist Committee On Relief) provides humanitarian relief and disaster response in the United States and internationally. These undesignated funds allow UMCOR to allocate funds to disasters as they arise. Give at a service, online with [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly), or with a check to CUMC (memo: "coins").