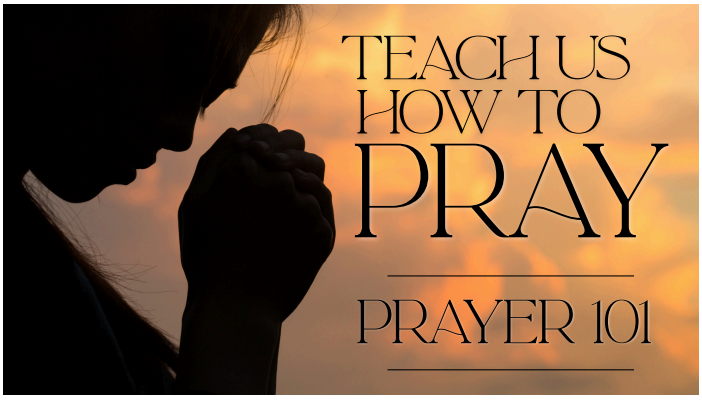


Christ United Methodist Church

November 15, 2026

†Please stand as you are able

Prelude — Kate Blair (8:00, 10:00 DR); Risë' Barker, Ken Whitmore (10:00 YR)

Welcome, Gather, Grow, and Go — Rev. Jane Bradford (8:00); Sharon Mouri (10:00 DR); Jane Reuber (10:00 YR)

Breakthrough Prayer

†Opening Hymn #131 *"We Gather Together"*

†Call to Worship

Teach us to pray, O Lord, your words reverently.
Lead us always to find The Lord's Prayer fresh and renewing.
Teach us to pray as you did, sincerely and humbly.
For we are Pilgrims of Prayer, ever deepening and intentional.

†The Peace

What You Been Up To?

Prayers and the Lord's Prayer — Rev. Jane Bradford

Anthem *"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"* (TFWS #2171) — (8:00, 10:00 YR)
"A Thanksgiving Garden" — Sanctuary Choir (10:00 DR)

†Scripture Matthew 6:5-13 — Daniel Persinger (8:00); Karissa Lin (10:00 DR); Charmaine Schreiner (10:00 YR)

Sermon *"Teach Us How to Pray: Prayer 101"* — Rev. Caleb Hong

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Offering and †Doxology #95

†Closing Hymn #133 *"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"*

†Benediction

†Postlude

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

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"Opposite of Jericho"
Prayer Walk every Sunday
at 11:30 AM (door #2)

Blood Pressure Screenings Available Today

Parish nurses will offer blood pressure checks in the Library following both services. Please stop by!

2026 Church Conference

Today at 1:30 pm

Join us in the Dining Room for this year's Church Conference, led by the District Superintendent, where we'll review the church's mission and ministries, hear key reports, and discuss goals for 2027.

"Tribes, Lifestyles, and Teachings of the Original Inhabitants of Northern Illinois"

Today at 11:30 am

The Diversity Team welcomes Eliminate Racism 815's Co-Director, Dick Rundall, who will share about the tribes, lifestyles and teachings of the original inhabitants of northern Illinois. Eliminate Racism 815 aims to create the beloved community that Martin Luther King, Jr. described. Invite friends and join us in the Coffee House (enter door #5) today for this special program to learn about our native American tribes.

Volunteer this Week for the Thanksgiving Basket Project

You are invited to help make this year's Thanksgiving Basket project a success for 175 families in our community! Temple Beth-El has graciously agreed to allow us to use their space to prepare baskets.

Volunteers are needed to assemble and/or distribute boxes this week: **11/20, 11/21, and 11/23**. For details, see the weekly eNews. To volunteer, contact Linda Bjur (815.742.5343/cherise79@comcast.net).

Each basket will provide a full traditional Thanksgiving dinner and enough food to sustain a family for a week. **To support this project financially, please make checks payable to CUMC (memo: "Thanksgiving Baskets") or give with Tithe.ly**. Each basket is approximately $125, but any amount is appreciated.

"An Invitation from Jesus is Calling"

Next Sunday, November 22 at 11:30 am

Join seminarian Daniel Persinger in the Dining Room for "An Invitation from Jesus is Calling", a workshop to learn about history of the UMC and John Wesley's theology of participating in our faith, as well as spiritual practices that can be implemented in our daily lives.

Cookie Blitz Bakers Needed!

Saturday, December 12 from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Boxed cookies and quilted holiday items will be available for sale just in time for Christmas in the Coffee House at the annual Cookie Blitz! Proceeds support missions for women and children. **United Women in Faith is asking all church members to consider baking 4-5 dozen homemade Christmas Cookies for the sale for drop-off on Wednesday, 12/9 (12:00-7:00 pm) or Thursday, 12/10 (8:00 AM-5:00 PM).** If you have questions, please contact Peg at pagiannangeli@gmail.com.

Christmas Angel Gift Project

The Outreach Committee's Christmas Angel Gift Project is almost here! Christ UMC will "gift" about 200 people of all ages this year through 7 community agencies. Prayerfully consider how you can help:

- Pick up an Angel Tag: Tags can be picked up **next Sunday, 11/22 and Sunday, 11/29**
- Shop for a $35 gift using the wishes on the Tag. Return unwrapped gift and Tag by Sunday, 12/6
- Donate monetarily via check (memo: "Angel Gifts") or Tithe.ly, or donate tissue and/or gift bags
- Help bag gifts with on Monday, 12/7 (4:30 pm) and Tuesday, 12/8 (9:00 am)

Questions? Please contact Suzi Fowler at (815) 985-2754