



Community of Christ

Bethel Congregation
Midlands Mission Center
Welcoming the online community
 Kansas City, KS
 April 20, 2025 10:30AM CDT

Alive in Christ

Presiding

High Priest Stan Troeh

Announcements

Welcome

Gathering Hymn “Woman, Weeping in the Garden” **CCS #478**

Invitation to Worship **John 20:1-3,10,11-18**

¹ Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” ³ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ¹⁰ Then the disciples returned to their homes.

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹² and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” ¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

***Hymn**

“Lift Your Glad Voices”

CCS #478

***Invocation**

***Response**

Lent/Easter Focus

Joyce Shipley

Prayer for Peace

Resurrected God,

Would we recognize you? Would we understand the incredible power you have over death? Grant us the peace that was present in the garden in those moments before your resurrection, and may we spread that peace as women who first saw you alive spread the news of your resurrection! Help us to recognize opportunities for peace that once seemed extinguished now as new soil for growing peace. Clear away our doubts that peace might not come to pass and show us how to work to create peace in places across the world. Amen.

—Tiffany and Caleb Brian

Hymn

“I Danced in the Morning”

CCS #23

Message

Elder Rob de Zwart

Disciples’ Generous Response

<https://bit.ly/BethelGift>

***Closing Hymn**

“Jesus, Promise of an Angel” **CCS #32** (tune 22)

***Benediction**

***Sending Forth**

Psalms 118:21-24

²¹ I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.

²² The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.

²³ This is the LORD’s doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

*Congregation invited to stand

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Announcements

- **Sunday 4/20 EASTER SUNDAY**
 9:45 am EASTER Breakfast (no lectionary)
 10:30 am EASTER Worship
- **Monday 4/21 7:00 pm [Priesthood Meeting](#)** (949 9683 2354)
- **Sunday 4/27 9:45 am Lectionary Discussion** – Rev 1:4-8
 10:30 am *Every Eye Will See* – Kyle Joyce
- **Central Avenue Center of Hope** – needs non-perishable foods
- **World Conference Info** see links on our website
- **Our website**, including weekly bulletin, web and zoom links
bethel.forthrightsystems.com.
- Give through **eTithing** (<https://www.cofchrist.org/give>)
 Optionally, search for Bethel, KS ([link](#))

Recording links

I Danced in the Morning - CCS 23 - The Beyond the Walls Choir
<https://youtube.com/watch?v=ivPx1scYFQ4>

Lectionary: 3-year cycle engaging significant portions of our scripture

This Week April 20 [Alive in Christ](#)

1 Corinthians 15:19-26	Isaiah 65:17-25
Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24	Luke 24:1-12
John 20:1-18	

Next Week April 27 [Every Eye Will See](#)

Revelation 1:4-8	Psalms 150
John 20:19-31	Acts 5:27-32



Online Ministry & Priesthood Classes *Center for Innovation in Ministry and Mission (CIMM)*

To enroll or for more information on these classes and the certificate programs, visit graceland.edu/CIMM. Cost is \$25 unless noted.

May 5–June 29, 2025

- **Introduction to Scripture** – Dave Shaal
- **Child and Youth Worker Core Training**

Upcoming CIMM Sessions

CIMM Sessions are short seminars on topics of theology, culture, and Community of Christ Identity, Mission, Message, Beliefs and practices. These sessions are broadcast live on **Zoom at 7:00pm Wednesday nights**. To register, please visit www.graceland.edu/cimmsessions.

- Adult Reunion Text Series: “Hope is Here”
 - April 2 – Spirit of Hope – Conflict Transformation – Debbie Bayless
 - April 9 – Onward in Hope – Celebrate Community – Janné Grover
- Preaching Series (cont.): April 16 & 23 (Two-part series) – Quick-egesis: A Quick Exegetical Process for Worship and Preaching – Tony & Charmaine Chvala-Smith
- April 30 & May 7 – Ignatian Meditation Exercises with Don Compier (Parts one and two of a four-part series)
- May 14 – Inclusive Language – Jane Gardner
- May 21 & 28 – Ignatian Meditation Exercises with Don Compier (Parts three and four of a four-part series)



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MMC CONFERENCE

Midlands Mission Center Spring Conference will be held 2:30 – 5:00pm Sunday, April 13, at Mission Road congregation in Prairie Village, KS.

TEMPLE SCHOOL CLASSES

Dawn and Greg Bassett will instruct **Introduction to Priesthood Ministry** at **The Highlands 9 am – 5 pm Saturday, April 12**. A light lunch will be provided. Please RSVP by April 10 to mmc_youth@midlandsmc.org, Greg (816.210.4943), or Dawn (816.718.8307).

Gateway Mission Center will host two **Registered Child Youth Worker** (RCYW) classes that are available via Zoom in April:

- 2pm Sat, April 5 – Register with mthomas@cofchrist-gateway.org
- 2pm Sat, April 12 – Register with csaur@cofchrist.org

Gateway Mission Center will host several classes via Zoom in April:

- *Ministry of the Priest* – contact Eric Tripp ericdtripp@gmail.com
- *Intro to Priesthood Ministry* – contact Cheryl Saur csaur@cofchrist.org
- *High Priest: Ministers of Vision* – contact Cheryl Saur csaur@cofchrist.org

CAMP COOK ASSISTANT NEEDED

If you love food and serving others, please consider volunteering to assist with meals at Chihowa Reunion July 6-12 and/or youth camp July 13-17. We are blessed to have expert Mary Huffman as a master of the kitchen, and she would love to share her skills and knowledge and shepherd an apprentice. If interested, please contact mohuffman@sbcglobal.net.

Palm Sunday Weekend @ Kirtland

9am Saturday, April 12 - noon Sunday, April 13

Explore our faith community's Ohio roots and the lessons embedded in our shared heritage. The weekend will include history classes and neighborhood tours and a Palm Sunday service in the Kirtland Temple. The schedule and registration are at www.historicsitesfoundation.org.

World Conference: May 30 - June 6

DELEGATES: World Conference will be held **May 30 – June 6, 2025**. Midlands is seeking **two more delegates** - contact khnatyshyn@cofchrist.org.

LEGISLATION: Fourteen pieces of legislation have been submitted by mission centers and World Church Standing Teams for this gathering. View the legislation at bit.ly/WC25Legislation and the background and support statements at bit.ly/WC25LegSupport.

ZOOM SUPPORT: Volunteers are needed to support remote legislative sites. Multiple roles for non-delegates are available based on schedule, interest, and skills. Contact Brad at 309.706.6179 or BBryant@CofChrist.org.

VIDEO SUBMISSIONS WANTED: The worship team is gathering short, simple videos to share during our worship services. Choose one or both prompts: Hope Is...? bit.ly/WC25Hope Based on daily themes: bit.ly/HopeThemes

CALL FOR MUSICIANS: The Graceland Director of Bands is putting together a group of musicians for 5 June, the Thursday evening worship service of World Conference. Rehearsals, distribution of music, and meetings will all happen online prior to conference. All musicians, current and former, are encouraged to sign up, regardless of age and experience. bit.ly/WC25Music

REGISTER NOW! bit.ly/25WCRegistration

Experience Summer Camp!!

Youth Camps 2025

June 26 – 30	Sr High Float Trip @ Meramec State Park
July 12 – 19	Spectacular @ Graceland
July 13 – 17	Junior / Middle School @ Chihowa
July 13 – 18	Camp MITIOG @ Doniphan
July 24 – 26	Youth Quest @ Olathe



Junior, Middle School, and Senior High prices increase \$25 after 5/15

Family Camps (Reunion)

Doniphan – Excelsior Springs, MO – June 18 to 22
Joint event with Central Missouri Mission Center
Guest Minister: Apostle and Presiding Evangelist
designee Mareva Arnaud Tchong
Contact: Kat Hnatyshyn, 816.506.6948

Chihowa – Perry, KS – July 6 to 11
Guest Minister: Apostle Richard James
Director: Doug Albro, 316.734.4214



Family Camp Prices (Early Bird/Regular)

Age	Doniphan (6/2)	Chihowa (6/16)
Adults (age 18+)	\$300/\$320	\$250/\$270
Youth (age 13-17)	\$225/\$245	\$165/\$185
Children (age 5-12)	\$120/\$140	\$120/\$140
Children (age 0-4)	\$25/\$45	\$25/\$45

Register NOW at www.midlandsmc.org

- YOUTH: Find your camp and click “online registration”
- FAMILY CAMP: Find your camp and choose “pay now” (credit card) or “pay later” (check, cash, credit card)

Camperships are available. **Application forms must be submitted TWO WEEKS prior to the event.** If you have questions, please contact mcfoTEAM@midlandsmc.org

- Individual camperships: MMC1campership25
- Family camperships (SAME EVENT): bit.ly/MMCFamCampership25