

in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

One: (...) we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

Holy Communion

Kalle Akkerman, Organ

Chorale Prelude on "Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen" Johannes Brahms

Prelude on "This endris nygt" Healy Willan

"Of the Father's Love Begotten" arr. David Cherwien

Candlelighting

We ask that you use caution while sharing the light. Please tip your unlit candle into the flame of the lit candle beside you. Parents, please assist your children. Ushers have flame extinguishing materials should you need assistance.

Music During Candlelighting "Silent Night" UMH 239

Blessing

Special thanks to our string quartet: Amy Lindstrom and Maureen Howell (Violins), Angel Falu-Garcia (Viola), and Amy Adamson (Cello).

Join us for our winter sermon series

"This is Us: Ancient Stories for Modern Families"

Starting January 8, 2023!



Christmas Eve

Christ United Methodist Church

10:00pm ~ December 24, 2022

Gathering Music "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

arr. David Wilcocks Kalle Akkerman, organ

Welcome

Rev. Jenny Cannon

Rev. Kirkland Reynolds

Call to Worship

One: On this holiest of nights,

**All: we come, joining the shepherds
who are stunned by wonder.**

One: On this hopeful night,

**All: we come, our hopes and dreams
joining those who have longed for a savior.**

One: On this night of carols and candlelight,

**All: we come, our glad songs joining
with the choirs of angels around us.**

One: Glory to God in the highest heaven!

All: Rejoice! The Lord has come.

Hymn "O Come All Y Faithful" UMH 234
(v 1,3,6)

Advent Candle Lighting

Sung Response "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" UMH 230

Christmas Prayer

Invitation to Offering

Musical Offering

"Greensleeves (What Child is This?)" String Quartet
arr. Matthew Naughtin

Doxology "Angels from the Realms of Glory" UMH 220
(vs 4)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Scripture Luke 2:1-20

John 1:1-5, 14

Message "Up Close & Personal"
Rev. Jenny Cannon

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Forgiveness

The Great Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: (...) And so, with your people on earth and all the
company of heaven we praise your name and join
their unending hymn:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna**