

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, Holy Night” UMH 239

Blessing

Postlude “Carillon on a Ukrainian Carol”

arr Gerald Near John Varona, Organ

You are welcome to use our church nursery with your children during today’s worship service. Our nursery staff will return on January 8. We also have preschool-upper elementary Sunday School during both services resuming on January 8.

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

7:00pm ~ December 24, 2022

Gathering Music “Angel Tidings”
arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

“Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying”
arr Ron Mallory

Celebration Bells
Paul Kingsbury, Director

Welcome Rev. Jenny Cannon
Rev. Kirkland Reynolds

Call to Worship

One: Inspiring Word, move over the chaos around us,
calling forth form and order, and in the shaping,
offer our lives to yours.

All: Illuminating Word, come into the darkness
among us calling forth insight and
understanding, that we may follow the way of
your kingdom.

One: Incarnate Word, indwell the life within us, calling
forth passion and purpose, that we may know you
in our worship and in our living embody you for
the world.

All: Rejoice! The Word of Life is spoken here again
tonight. Christ the Savior is born!

Hymn *O Come All Ye Faithful* (1, 3, 6) UMH 234

Advent Candle Lighting

Raheem Johnson & Awnetria Rahming

Sung Response “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”
UMH 240

Christmas Prayer Rev. Nancy Wheeler Handlon

Invitation to Offering

Musical Offering

“I Wonder as I Wander” Celebration Bells
arr Brian Childers Karla Sukov, oboe
John Varona, piano

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

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Anthem “Sing of Mary, Pure & Lowly” Chancel Choir
arr. Matthew Armstrong

Scripture John 1:1-5, 14

Hymn “Angels We Have Heard on High” UMH 238
(vs 1,4)

Scripture Luke 2:1-20

Message “Christmas Time” Rev. Kirkland Reynolds