

Order of Worship

PRELUDE “Carillon de Westminster” John Varona
Louis Vierne

WELCOME Rev. Jenny Cannon &
Rev. Kirkland Reynolds

Call To Worship

*HYMN “Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus” UMH 196

Advent Candle Lighting Steve & Betsy Schlasner

Children’s Message Jody Peterson
After the children’s message, Pre-K - 3rd graders (and 4th - 5th grade helpers) may join Ms. Jody for Sunday school. Nursery care is available for 5 and under in the Nursery.

Invitation to Give

Musical Offering “Savior of the Nations, Come!” Chancel Choir
Bridges/Poston

*DOXOLOGY UMH 213
Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates, V. 4:
Thy Holy Spirit lead us on
until our glorious goal is won;
eternal praise, eternal fame
be offered, Savior, to thy name!

Pastoral Prayer

HEARING THE WORD Luke 1:26-38

MESSAGE “From Generation to Generation: God Meets Us In Our Fear ”
Rev. Jenny Cannon

Prayers of Confession & Forgiveness

Sharing Signs of Christ’s Peace

Holy Communion Katie Imming

*All are welcome to receive communion, which is served with bread
and non-alcoholic grape juice. Gluten free also available.*

*HYMN “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” UMH 206

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Carillon - Sortie ” John Varona
Henri Mulet

You are welcome to remain seated or to depart during the postlude
Join us after worship in the Commons for fellowship

Call to Worship & Pastoral Prayer by Rev. Sarah Speed
* indicates you may stand as you are able

Congregational Prayers

- For World Aids Day Dec. 1
- For Larry and Janet Johnson on the death of their son, Stephen Johnson on November 30
- For the family of Cynthia Thoreson-Arnold who died on November 27
- For Saturday noon meal guests and volunteers
- For the family of Steven Huyber who died November 28, husband of Cynthia Huyber and father of Margo Oetliker



If you would like to sponsor this ministry, please send an email to our Director of Operations, Jack Jefferson at jack@cumethodist.com. The 9am service airs Sundays @11:30am on KOLM radio 1520 AM. (\$55)

Announcements

Welcome to Christ UMC. We are glad you are here!

Thank you to all who have already made a pledge to the 2023 budget as part of our Do-Gooders campaign. We are still receiving pledge cards in the office or through the online pledge on our website (cumethodist.com/give). We invite you to join us for fellowship after today’s worship service for coffee.

Children in Worship. Children are always welcome in worship. Activity packs are available near the Sanctuary entrance.

Our nursery is adjacent to the church office. There are always two adults in our nursery. You may stay with your child if you like.




United Women in Faith Christmas Cookie Sale! Christmas cookies by the pound with the addition of Pantry Party Mix in quart size bags! Please place your orders by TODAY, December 4th and pick them up on December 18th from 8:30am-12pm. Gluten free cookies are available. Order forms are in the office and at the Welcome Desk, or fill out our online form <https://cumethodist.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/86/responses/new>. Cash and checks accepted. Make checks payable to UMW.

Advent Small Group Study Sundays Running through Sunday, Dec. 18 from 5-6pm in Room 145 and on Zoom, we will be looking at the book “The First Advent in Palestine: Reversals, Resistance, and the Ongoing Complexity of Hope” by Kelly Nikondeha. Books are available for purchase in the church office for \$19. Scholarships available. “The First Advent in Palestine” will also be discussed during in person CU Wednesday Crossroads conversations for adults on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30pm. Join the Sunday evening discussion group in person or on Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3753504116>

Giving Tree for Thrive & Saturday Noon Meals In our commons we are hosting a Giving Tree to support Thrive and our newly returned Saturday Noon Meals in Wesley Hall! Take an ornament with a list of items and return those to the CUMC office before Christmas Eve. Check out the Thrive Facebook page for additional ways to support their Target and Amazon wish list

SCAN TO GIVE



To scan a QR code, use your cell phone camera, aim at the picture (*left*), and tap the link that appears. No special software is necessary with most devices. Give in-person or online at cumethodist.com/give

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The 2023 Upper Room Disciplines Daily Devotional is now available for purchase in the church office. Small print is \$10 and large print is \$12. You can also order it as an eBook for \$9.99 from Cokesbury or Upper Room and \$8.49 on Amazon for the Kindle.

Christmas Poinsettias

It's time to order Christmas poinsettias! These flowers will be on display in worship during Advent and on Christmas Eve. Flowers may be dedicated in memory or honor of someone. You may pick up your flowers after worship on Sunday, December 25 or you may donate them to homebound and bereaved members. Each plant is \$16. Please visit <https://cumethodist.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/84/responses/new> or click the link on the homepage of our website to order. Order forms are also available in this bulletin or at the church office.

Advent Organ Concert Series Our Advent Organ Concert series has begun! Join us Tuesdays at 12:15 in person or on Facebook & YouTube, Dec. 6, 13, and 20th. Previous concerts can be found on our [YouTube](#)

Advent Devotional booklets and Children's Advent Calendars are available in the Church Office. These will be available throughout the Advent season.

Saturday Noon Meals Saturday Noon Meals Saturday Noon Meals has begun serving meals in person in Wesley Hall. If you are interested in volunteering, or for more information, please [contact](#) Kathy Lombardo.

Thrift on Fifth Thrift on Fifth will be open less frequently than usual in December in order to make room for Christmas Anonymous and to celebrate the weekend holidays. Please check out our December calendar, which can be found in the church office and in the store. Recent donations have been really wonderful. Shop early!

Greeter Interested in serving as part of our Greeter team on Sunday mornings? Please [contact](#) Linda Hyde

More information about worship, ministries, giving, and all the goings on here at Christ United Methodist Church on our website cumethodist.com

For staff and contact information, scan the QR Code (right) or head to cumethodist.com/church-staff



Sunday, December 4, 2022

- 8:30am** ~ Nursery Opens - available until 12:30pm
- 9:00am** ~ Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
~ Sunday School (9am & 11am)
- 10:00am** ~ Thrift on Fifth Open - closes at 11am
~ Contemporary Issues (Room 146 & Zoom)
- 10:15am** ~ Inquiring Spirits (Room 145 & Zoom)
- 11:00am** ~ Arise Worship (ECC)
- 4:30 pm** ~ Youth Group
- 5:00pm** ~ Advent Small Group (Room 145 & Zoom)

Monday, December 5, 2022

- 11:15am** ~ Men's Book Study & Mutual Support (Zoom)

Tuesday, December 6, 2022

- 10:30am** ~ Staff Meeting
- 12:15pm** ~ Advent Organ Concert (Sanctuary)
- 1:00 pm** ~ Covenant Discipleship Group (Zoom)
- 6:00pm** ~ Christmas Anonymous Board Meeting (145)

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

- 10:00am** ~ Online Knitting Group (WebEx)
- 1:30pm** ~ Women's Study Group (Zoom)
- 5:00pm** ~ CU Wednesday (till 7:30pm)
- 5:30pm** ~ Dinner in Wesley Hall- All Ages
- 7:00pm** ~ Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 8:00pm** ~ Evening Prayers Live (facebook.com/cumethodist)

Thursday, December 8, 2022

- 8:00am** ~ Men's Coffee Group (145 and Zoom)
- 8:30am** ~ Covenant Discipleship Group (Zoom)
- 9:15am** ~ Care Visitors (Mettam)
- 1:00pm** ~ Women's Book Group (145)
- 4:00pm** ~ Arise Band Rehearsal (ECC)
- 6:30pm** ~ Theology on Brew (Forager)
- 7:00pm** ~ UWF Circle 4 (Online)

Friday, December 9, 2022

- 10:00am** ~ Rug Hooking Group
~ Women & The Sacred (145)
- 1:00pm** ~ Worship Arts Team Poinsettia Arranging

Saturday, December 10, 2022

- 7:30am** ~ Saturday Noon Meals Prep
- 8:00am** ~ Christmas Anonymous Store Day



9:00am Traditions Worship December 4, 2022



With open hearts, open minds and open doors, we welcome people of all races, nationalities, theologies and abilities. We welcome people of all sexual orientations and gender identities. We offer a safe and compassionate place to reconcile faith, identity, hope, understanding and mutual respect.

We welcome you and name the sacred power of the Wahpeton people on whose land we stand