

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Opening Music

Forever - Chris Tomlin

Soon & Very Soon - Andre Crouch

Sharing the Peace - 60 Seconds

Lighting the Advent Candle of Joy

Joel and Patti Sackett

Sung Response

Children's Message

Invitation to Offering

What's So Funny 'Bout Peace Love & Understanding

Prayers of the People

(scan QR code to submit your prayers for the screen)



Setting the Story

Thresholds: The Gospel of Luke -

Revs. Jenny Cannon & Kirkland Reynolds

The Chosen One - Youth Pageant

Prayer and Candlelighting

What Child is This

Prayer of Gratitude

Closing Music

Your Peace Will Make Us One - Audrey Assad

Blessing

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Today - 3pm Longest Night Service The Advent and Christmas season can be a difficult time. The Longest Night Service is a service of meditation, healing, and hope.

Give to UMCOR US Disaster Response and Recovery Fund. We invite you to consider donating to UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) to help communities in Kentucky and surrounding states recover from tornados. Simply make out a check to Christ UMC and put "UMCOR Tornado Relief" in the memo line.

You may also donate online through CUMC by selecting UMCOR at cumethodist.com/give in the dropdown menu. Learn more about the UMCOR US Disaster Response and Recovery Fund at <https://umcmision.org/united-states-disaster-response/>.

December 21 at 12:15pm Final Tuesday Advent Organ Recital. John Varona and guests will lead seasonal favorites.

We are looking for more ushers for our Dec 23 & 24 Christmas Eve services. We have openings on the 23rd at 5pm, and 24th at Noon, 4pm, 7pm, and 10pm services. If you are interested in ushering, or know someone who is, please contact Kathy Davis at kadavis2220@gmail.com.

Christmas Poinsettia Delivery - We are looking for volunteers to help deliver poinsettias Tuesday December 28th. For more information on delivery contact Kathy Davis at kadavis2220@gmail.com

Our programming for children and youth will take a break December 22-January 1. Youth group resumes January 2 and CU Wednesdays start back up on January 6. Watch for more creative opportunities in January for children, youth and families!

Worship December 26th - We will hold a single worship service on December 26 at 10 am in our sanctuary.

Church office to be closed on Monday, December 27. In observance of the Christmas holiday, the church office and building will be closed on Monday, December 27. Please contact Jack Jefferson, Director of Operations, with any questions or for scheduling events.

Holy Communion in January. We will celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion in worship on Sunday, January 9 in the 9am Traditions and 11am Arise services.

Advent Bible Study - Tuesday at 7:00pm on Zoom. Pastors Jenny and Kirkland are hosting a Bible study exploring how each of the four Gospels introduces the person of Jesus. Tuesday Zoom: us02web.zoom.us/j/3753504116

Green Tip of the Week from EarthKeepers: This Christmas season take to heart John Wesley's Rule for Christian Living: "Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can!" "Doing good" doesn't have to be expensive. Be thoughtful about what you give to others and to God's creation.

Thank you to our creative team that helped make "The Chosen One" program happen! Nina Ayres, Jenny Cannon, Maddy Davis, Ruby Delisle, Claire Dunn, Evelyn Elgin, Josh Elgin, Emma Erickson, Jacob Holmen, Maddie Kennicut, Amanda Larsen, Katarina Larsen, Elise Lehman, Annika Ostby, Molly Reynolds, Julia Schmidt, Theo Sukov, Jon Vanderheiden, Sophie Vanderheiden, Elizabeth White and Kayla Williams

Save the Date:
Longest Night Service
 December 19, 3pm, Sanctuary
 A service of Word, Music, Candles, Peace
 For any who find the holiday season difficult



Christmas Eve Worship

Christ United Methodist Church

December 23:

5:00pm - ECC

Christmas Pre-Eve Service

December 24:

12:00pm

Contemplative Worship

4:00pm

Children's Worship

7:00pm

Festival Worship

10:00pm

Communion Worship

December 26:

10:00am - Sanctuary

Single Sunday Service

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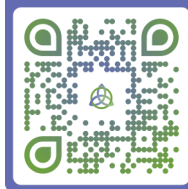
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Church Calendar



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 or email us: email@cumethodist.com

PRAYER REQUESTS

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menti.com/32bfdowxrh to share your
 prayer request with the congregation



Christ United Methodist Church



December 19, 2021



God is soaked
 in our world.
 God's Spirit
 lives and breathes
 in and through
 all that is.

We are lost
 only when we
 do not understand
 that God
 is already with
 and in
 each one of us.

Our task is recognition
 of God's initiative
 to be at home in us—
 acceptance
 of God-With-Us.

Then we cannot but
 be glad.

*There Was No Path So I Trod One (1996, 2013)
 by Edwina Gateley posted on Journey with Jesus*

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.