

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Opening Music

Blue Boat Home - Peter Mayer

Sharing the Peace - 60 Seconds

Lighting the Advent Candle of Peace

The Curtis Family

Sung Response

Children's Message

Prayers of the People

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



Invitation to Offering

Peace Train - Cat Stevens

Hearing the Word

Matthew 1:1-16 (scripture video)

Message - Thresholds: The Gospel of Matthew

Holy Communion and Candlelighting

Light the Fire - Oasis Worship

Prayer of Gratitude

Closing Music

Down by the Riverside - traditional

Blessing



In keeping with our "Thresholds" theme we invite you to share photos of your Nativity scenes. Please include any notes about where they are from, or what special meaning they have to you. Send photos to oliver@cumethodist.com

Advent Bible Study continues today! Sundays at 10:00am in the Fireside Room or Tuesdays at 7:00pm starting November 30th on Zoom. As part of our Advent season Pastors Jenny and Kirkland are hosting a 4-week Bible study exploring how each of the four Gospels introduces the person of Jesus. Zoom link for Tuesday: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3753504116>

December 7, 14, & 21 at 12:15pm Tuesday Advent Organ Recitals John Varona and guests will lead seasonal favorites.

December 15 -7pm Service of Lessons and Carols Join us for this Wednesday evening musical feast. Our choir will sing, our bells will ring, and we will explore the meaning of the season through song and scripture.

December 19 - 9am Children's Pageant & 11am Youth Pageant Both programs tell the story of the birth of Jesus. The 9:00 service will have younger children singing, ringing and acting out the traditional Christmas story. The 11:00 service will have our youth presenting "The Chosen One," a Christmas play that looks at challenges faced by people (and vegetables) asked to do a hard task

December 19 - 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.

Christmas Poinsettia orders are here! Poinsettia order forms can be found in the online at tinyurl.com/CUMC-poinsettias-2021 or in the church office. Please submit your orders in memory or honor by end of day December 7th. We are also looking for volunteers to help deliver poinsettias Tuesday December 28th. For more information on delivery contact Kathy Davis at kadavis2220@gmail.com

Christ UMC is hosting Christmas Anonymous again this December. Christmas Anonymous has served the Rochester community for more than 50 years, helping families and people in need in Olmsted county have a wonderful Christmas. To learn more about donating Christmas gifts or volunteering with Christmas Anonymous, visit christmasanonymous.org.

Advent packages are available! These contain Advent Devotionals written by the congregation and staff of Christ UMC and an advent wreath. They are also available for pickup from the church office. If you need us to deliver, let us know! We can get them to you.

Through November and December CUMC will serve as a collection site for the Period Equity Project which partners with community groups to distribute menstruation supplies to people in need. Be on the lookout for a collection box in the commons and stay tuned for more information.



Green Tip of the Week from EarthKeepers: You already are careful not to let the water flow continuously while you brush your teeth. Transfer that same care to getting dishes ready for the dishwasher. Scrape food off. Compost what you can. Run a mere cup or two of water into a large dish or bowl, shut off the water, start rinsing. You may want to use a long-handled brush. Dishwashers are more water conserving than hand washing, and dishwashers don't require super-clean dishes to start with. Save water.

Thresholds: Entering the Christmas Story
ADVENT 2021 CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

November 28:

Advent decorating after 9 & 11am services
Advent Wreath kits distributed

November 30, December 7, 14, & 21:
Noon Advent Organ Concert Series

December 5:

10am Chrismon Workshop

December 15:

7pm Service of Lessons & Carols with Chancel Choir

December 19:

9am Children's Pageant
11am Youth Pageant
3pm Longest Night Worship

Christmas Eve Worship

Christ United Methodist Church

December 23:

5:00pm - ECC
Coffee Shop Christmas Eve Service

December 24:

12:00pm
Contemplative Worship

4:00pm
Children's Worship

7:00pm
Festival Worship

10:00pm
Communion Worship

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Staff & Contact



Church Calendar



Find Us Online



Call the church office: (507) 289-4019
or email us: email@cumethodist.com

PRAYER REQUESTS

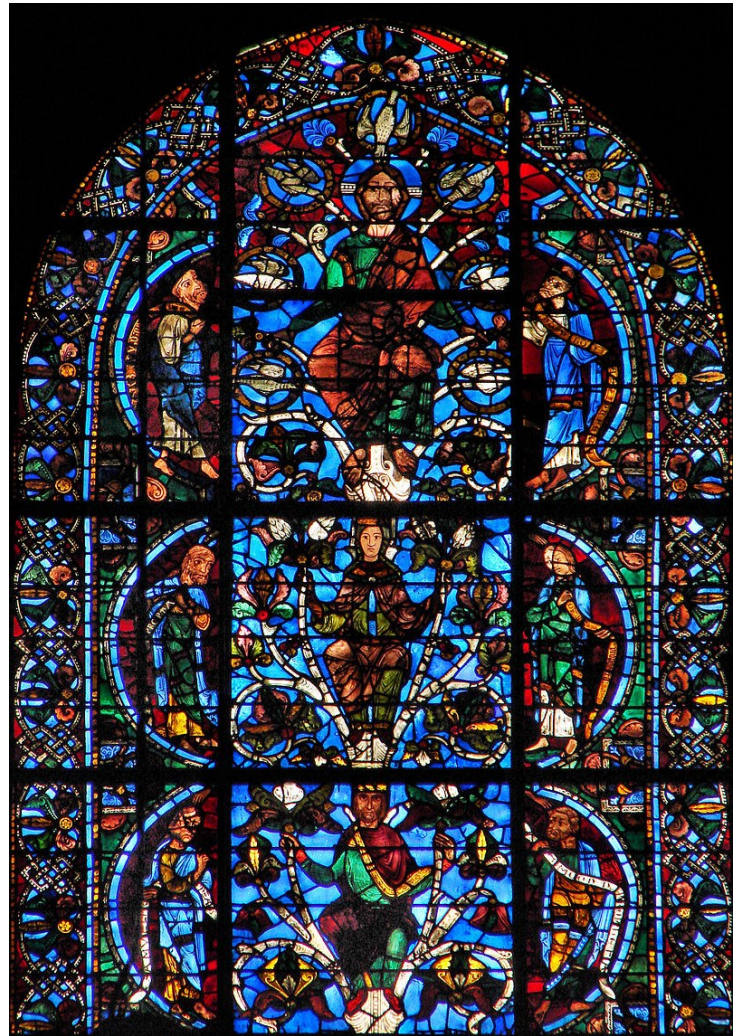
Scan the QR Code (right) or head to
menti.com/32bfdowxrh to share your
prayer request with the congregation



Christ United Methodist Church



December 5, 2021



12th-century Jesse Tree window
at Chartres Cathedral in France

*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.