#### Invitation to Discipleship

\*Communion Hymn Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming No. 160 (In Christ's name we welcome all persons into membership into the church by confession of faith

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Meditation

**Brett Swallow** 

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Janet Lyman

(All believing Christians are invited to share in the Lord's Supper, regardless of church affiliation.)

Communion Music

One: The bread which we break is our communion in the Body

of Christ.

All: The cup of blessing for which we give thanks is our

Communion in the blood of Christ. Amen.

\*Benediction

\*Recessional Hymn Come, O Long Expected Jesus No. 125 (After worship, a serving elder will be available at the back of each side aisle for personal prayer)

Postlude

People, Look East!
Besançon (A French Carol)
arr. Kristina Langlois
Dee Dee Gain, organist

\*All who are able, please stand

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# Christmas Unplugged

Advent 2023

*December 3, 2023* 

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Senior Minister Youth Director Director of Music Pastor for Families

#### ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope.

Prelude

Of the Father's Love Begotten
Divinum Mysterium (Plainsong)
arr. Daniel Gawthrop
Dee Dee Gain, organ

Words of Welcome

Michael Karunas

\*Introit Come, Thou Almighty King (vs. 1)
(Advent banners raised)

No. 27

\*Opening Hymn

No. 119

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (vs. 1, 3, 4)

(Chancel swags raised, table wreath placed, and balcony wreath hung)

\*Responsive Reading

Charlotte Ballance

One: How shall we prepare this house for the coming of

God's royal son?

All: With branches of cedar, the tree of royalty.

One: How shall we prepare this house for the coming of the

eternal Christ?

All: With garlands of pine and fir, whose leaves are ever living,

ever green.

One: How shall we prepare this house for the coming of our Savior?

All: With wreaths of holly and ivy, telling of His passion, death, and resurrection.

One: How shall we prepare our hearts for the coming of

the Son of God?

All: By hearing again the words of the prophets, who foretold

the saving work of God.

One: For God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved.

All: Glory to God in the highest!

\*Invocation

\*Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever, Amen.

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No. 35

(Sanctuary wreaths hung & Chrismon tree lit)

A Time for All God's Children

Vicky Woolridge

Prayer Hymn

\*Gloria Patri

*People Look East* (vs. 1, 2, 4)

No. 142

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer Response

Amen

No. 316

Chancel Choir

Offertory Invitation

\*Doxology

No. 46

\*Prayer of Dedication

Anthem

Followers of the Lamb

arr. Philip Dietterich

Chancel Choir

Scripture Reading

Mark 13:1-4, 32-37

Pg. 50 & 51 NT

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Christmas Unplugged

Lighting the Advent Candle

### **Prayer List**



## Last updated 12/01/2023

#### **Members**

**Evelyn Sanders** Gretchen Barron Jill Johnson Lawrence Thicksten Shane Garver Peggy Garrett **Ed Adams** Denise Swarthout Don Boyd Jim Hoffert Gene Guthrie Diane Denzer Marla Winkleblack June Moutray Carole Holbrook Tom Ritter

#### We Pray for Those in the Military:

Bobby Backes (nephew of Keith & Jeannie Backes)
Katy & Matt Holden (granddaughter & grandson-in-law of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Phillip Johnston (son of Becky Johnston)
Mitchell Lucas (grandson of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Jeremiah & Rachel Singletary
(great-nephew of Marilyn Ward)
Preston Wade (son of Larry & Karen Wade)
Lucas Ward (grandson of Marilyn Ward)
Ryan Smithson (grandson of Jim & Vicki Fitzpatrick)

# Members in Nursing Home & Assisted Living Doris McArty (Imboden Creek)

Arlene Penn (Imboden Creek) Merle Chapman (Imboden Creek Gardens) Elaine Hynds (Imboden Creek Gardens) Wanda Poisel (Imboden Creek Gardens) Marilyn Riley (Randall Residence) Glen & Arlone Dalluge (Randall Residence) Barb Tyler (Tanglewood) Bess King (The Glenwood) Jean Goretzke (Primrose) Nancy Taylor (Primrose) Bob & Peggy Garrett (Primrose) Morris Birkhead (Villas at Hollybrook) Marilyn Ward (Courtyard Estates) Chloe Hoaglin (Vonderleith) Derald Hartley (The Grove) Don Swallow (Hickory Pt. Christian Village)

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#### Friends & Family

Misty Mochel (friend of Marci Baumann) Shannon Francisco (friend of Bob Smith) Michael Moran (son-in-law of Larry & Marla Winkleblack) Jim Nuernberger (friend of Jim & Debbie Hoffert) Harriette York (mother of David York) Ron Price (brother of Debbie Hoffert) Jane Spires (friend of many CCC members) Mark Demoulin (son of Jahala Demoulin) Bob Campbell (brother of Bruce Campbell) Quentin Wilmot (brother of Kevin Wilmot) Matt Andrews (son-in-law of Jean Maggioncalda) Ruth & Randy Helm (friends of Donna Dash) Keith Osborne (brother of Jan Dobbs) Tom & Betty Smith (friends of Maria Jacobs) Shannon Borntreger (son of Kathy Kauzlarich) Tracy Cearlock (friend of Brett Swallow) Bob & Jean Lucas (friends of Nancy Ellen Taylor) Sally Pease (friend of Nancy Ellen Taylor) Dixie Dixon (friend of Linda Virgil) Sandy Schaick (friend of Lucy Acheson) Matt Bean & family (friend of Erik & Carly Barnes)

Yamile Leyva (friend of Maria Jacobs)

Cecelia Adams (family of Ed & Joy Adams)

Scott Adams (family of Ed & Joy Adams)

Bill & Nanette Frank (friends to many CCC members)

Larry Baker (friend of Keith Backes & David Wagner)
David Demoulin (grandson of Jahala Demoulin)

Evelyn Drahovzal (friend of Charlotte Ballance)

Rea Virt (mother of Diana Ritter)
Shirley Elkin (friend to many CCC members)

Mark Neisslie (uncle of Carly Barnes)

# Worship Extras December 3, 2023

#### **Lighting of Advent Candle**

Leader: We have to wait for many things in life.

People: We have to wait for Christmas to come and for baby Jesus to arrive in our world.

Leader: We have to wait for many things in life.

People: God's time is not always our time.

Leader: We have to wait for many things in life.

People: But we never have to wait for hope.

Leader: The Advent season is God's assurance to us that light will always triumph over darkness and hope will conquer despair. Even if we have to wait longer than we would

like, these things will take place.

People: We light this first Advent candle to remember this promise from God to us. And we do so with these words from Mark 13 guiding us: "Keep alert and keep awake, for you do not know when the time will come."

(Light the first candle)

Leader: May we be found prepared and ready for the Lord when he comes.

People: Thanks be to God for the hope we have in Christ.

#### **Serving Schedules**

#### **Today**

Elders: Janet Lyman, Brett Swallow

Dec. Prep Deacons: Karen Penn, Becky Johnston

**Offering Deacons:** 

10:30 - Steve Swarthout, Gretchen Kirby

#### **Ushers:**

8:00 - Team 3 - Need help! Call the church office if you're interested!

10:30 - Tom & Diana Ritter, David Sheffer

#### **Greeters:**

8:00 - Debbie & Jim Hoffert 10:30 - Jan Dobbs, Suzie Miller

#### P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Krista Rohrscheib

10:30 - Keith Backes

Liturgist: Charlotte Ballance

#### Next Sunday, December 10, 2023

Elders: Theresa Fulk, Charlotte Ballance

Dec. Prep Deacons: Karen Penn, Becky Johnston

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - David Wagner, Debbie Hoffert

10:30 - Roberta Gorden, Luke Kirby

#### **Ushers:**

8:00 - Team 4 - Hazel Perry, Capt., Karen Penn, Charlotte Ballance

10:30 - Team 9 - Kim Miller, Capt., Audrey Miller

#### **Greeters:**

8:00 - Carolyn McCall, Gail Prince

10:30 - Dale & Judy Ford

#### P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Bobby Munos

10:30 - Luke Kirby

**Liturgist:** Diana Ritter