

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

*Closing Hymn *Angels We Have Heard on High* No. 155
(ring bells joyously during refrains)

(After worship, a serving elder will be available at the back of each side aisle for personal prayer)

Postlude *Il Est Né*
French Carol
Dee Dee Gain, organist

**All who are able, please stand*

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Christmas Unplugged

Advent 2023

December 24, 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 *Bell Carol*
William Mathias
Dee Dee Gain, organ

Words of Welcome Vicky Woolridge

*Introit

*Opening Hymn No. 148
O Come, All Ye Faithful (vs. 1, 2, 4)

*Responsive Reading Shirley Swarthout
Leader: The heavens have opened, the love of God has come down.
People: The Holy Spirit descends upon us and has taken human form.
Leader: Jesus the Christ dwells among us, God's beloved Son.
People: The goodness of God is poured out on the world.
Leader: Let us follow this Messiah who leads us on a journey of salvation.
People: He will forever lead us in paths of righteousness.

*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.**

*Gloria Patri No. 35

A Time for All God's Children

Lighting the Advent Candle

Prayer Hymn No. 149
Angels, from the Realms of Glory (vs. 1, 2, 4)

Pastoral Prayer Michael Karunas

Special music, Thomas Karunas

Offertory Invitation

*Doxology No. 46

*Prayer of Dedication

Anthem *This Christmastide* Donald Fraser

Scripture Reading Pg. 34-35 NT
Mark 1:4-11

One: The Word of God for the People of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *The Best Christmas Present Ever*

Invitation to Discipleship

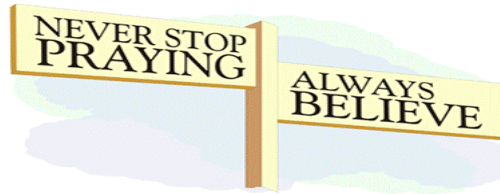
*Communion Hymn No. 144
O Little Town of Bethlehem (vs. 1, 2, 4)
(In Christ's name we welcome all persons into membership into the church by confession of faith and baptism or by transfer of membership. Please step to the front pew during the singing of this Hymn of Communion.)

Meditation Matthew Swarthout

Words of Institution

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

Prayer List



Last updated 12/22/2023

Members

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

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

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)
Don Boyd (Lincolnshire)

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 Borntrager (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 24, 2023

Lighting of Advent Candle

Leader: Love is most clearly seen in the service we offer to one another.

People: Jesus said, "People will know you are my disciples when you love one another as I loved you."

Leader: Love is most clearly seen through our generous giving to one another.

People: Jesus said, "No one has greater love than to lay down their life for their friends."

Leader: Love is most clearly seen in God's promise to provide for us and meet all our needs.

People: Jesus came to give us the Holy Spirit to guide us through an uncertain future.

Leader: We light the final candle in our advent wreath today, the candle of love.

People: We give thanks for all the ways God's love is revealed to us.

(Light the fourth candle)

Leader: As we welcome Jesus into our world again this Christmas season, we open our hearts to receive the love of God he brings.

People: God is love. Those who love one another live in God, and God lives in them.

All: Thanks be to God for the love we have in Christ.

Serving Schedules

Today

Elders (10:30): David Wagner, Matthew Swarthout

Dec. Prep Deacons: Karen Penn, Becky Johnston

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Troy Swinford, Donna Dash

10:30 - Cole Shartzter, Keith Backes

Ushers:

8:00 - Team 1 - Carolyn Sunderlik, Capt., Donna Dash,
Dianne Devore

10:30 - Team 6 - Mark Kincaid

Greeters:

8:00 - Julie & Ken Jacoby

10:30 - TBD

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Krista Rohrscheib

10:30 - Mike Kirby

Liturgist: Shirley Swarthout

Next Sunday, December 31, 2023

Elders: Susan Bryant, Diana Ritter

Dec. Prep Deacons: Karen Penn, Becky Johnston

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Gary Horvath, Jim Fitzpatrick

10:30 - Kevin Wilmot, Christine Lyman-Harm

Ushers:

8:00 - Team 2 - Bruce Campbell, Capt., Liz Campbell, Becky Johnston

10:30 - Team 7 - George Virgil, Capt., Linda Virgil,

Hugh & Linda Rowden

Greeters:

8:00 - Charlotte Ballance, Donna Dash

10:30 - Dick & Sue Ann Cain

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Bobby Munos

10:30 - Luke Kirby

Liturgist: Janet Lyman