

November 23, 2025

Reign of Christ Sunday

Musician: Laurie Helmers

Director of Children, Youth, and Outreach: Kristin

Gontea

Rev. Laura M. Nordstrom

**Please stand in body and spirit*

Gathering

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship++ (Luke 1, Colossians 1)

***Opening Hymn** “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” (UMH 526; verses 1 & 3)

Time of Centering++ (Luke 1)

God shines holy light into the shadows of our world. The sun of God's mercy and strength bathes all creation.

Prayer of Yearning++ (Colossians 1)

Words of Assurance++ (Luke 1, Col.1)

Message for the Children

Prayer of Illumination++ (Col. 1:12-13)

The Lesson Luke 23:33-43

The Message

Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Offering++

Offering

***Doxology** (UMH 95)

Offering Prayer++ (Colossians 1)

***Benediction** (Luke 1, Colossians 1)

***Closing Hymn** “Crown Him With Many Crowns” (UMH 327; verses 1 & 4)

Postlude

Going Forth!

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SUMC CALENDAR

Sunday, November 23: 9-10am Worship; 10:15-11am Christmas Program Practice

Monday, November 24: 9am-noon Office Open – Pastor Laura/Kristin; 9am-3pm Office Hours (P. Laura; 1:30pm-2:30pm Advent Study Week 1

Wednesday, November 26: 9am-noon Office Open – Sarah; **No Evening Youth Activities**

Thursday, November 27: **Happy Thanksgiving!**; Office Closed

Friday, November 28: All day – Sermon Prep (P. Laura); Office Closed

Saturday, November 29: All day – Sabbath/Family Time (P. Laura)

Sunday, November 30: 9-10am Worship; 10:15-11am Christmas Program Practice

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, December 1: 12:30pm UWIF Christmas Luncheon; 4-7pm Salvation Army Bell Ringing @ Fareway (Stewartville)

SUMC NOTES

~Prayers~

Judy, Gib, Family of Kevin Ace, Jason, Larry, Danielle, Wrenly Olson, Stormy, Connor

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Welcome!

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