

EARLY WORSHIP
9:00 AM
WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Centering Music

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

What Child is This? John Benkhe

† The Gathering Hymn UMH 237

Sing We Now of Christmas FRENCH CAROL

† Lighting of the Christ Candle

† Affirmation of Faith UMH 885 A Modern Affirmation

We believe in God the Father; infinite in wisdom, power, and love,
whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will
is ever directed to his children’s good.
We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man,
the gift of the Father’s unfailing grace, the ground of our hope,
and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.
We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives,
whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ,
and find strength and help in time of need.
We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love
as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end
that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.

Children’s Message Courtney Kraus

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Offertory Anthem

† The Doxology UMH 94 LASST UNS ERFRUEUN

† Song of Preparation TFWS 2164 (x 2)
Sanctuary SANCTUARY

Prayer for Illumination
Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your
light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in
your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord, Amen.

The First Reading Psalm 148

The Second Reading Colossians 3:12-17

† The Gospel Lesson Luke 2:41-52
The Message “Divine and Human Favor” Pastor Charles

† Hymn of Sending Forth UMH 251
Go, Tell It on the Mountain

† Benediction and Sending Forth

† Postlude
Go, Tell It on the Mountain

GO TELL IT

Richard Elliot

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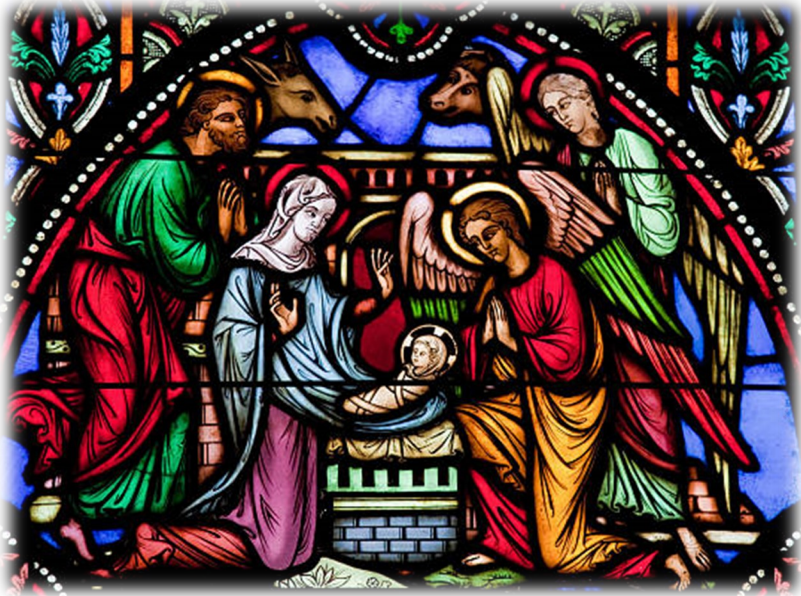


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Our mission is to discover, celebrate,
and share God’s love!



First Sunday after Christmas Day

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December 29, 2024

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP		
11:00 AM		
WE GATHER TO WORSHIP		
Chiming the Holy Trinity		
Words of Welcome and Announcements		
Prelude		
What Child is This?	John Benkhe	
† The Processional Hymn UMH 237		
Sing We Now of Christmas	FRENCH CAROL	
† Lighting of the Christ Candle		
† Affirmation of Faith UMH 881	The Apostles’ Creed	
† Gloria Patri UMH 71		
Glory Be to the Father	GREATOREX	
Children’s Message		
	Courtney Kraus	
Choral Anthem		
Welcome to Our World	Chris Rice	
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer		

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD		
Prayer for Illumination		
Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit;		
that as the Scriptures are read		
and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to		
us today. Amen.		
The First Reading	Psalm 148	
The Second Reading	Colossians 3:12-17	
† The Gospel Lesson	Luke 2:41-52	
The Message	“Divine and Human Favor”	Pastor Charles

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD		
† Hymn of Response UMH 229		
Infant Holy, Infant Lowly	W ZLOBIE LEZY	
The Offertory Anthem		
† The Doxology UMH 94	LASST UNS ERFRUEUN	

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD		
† Hymn of Dedication UMH 251		
Go, Tell It on the Mountain	GO TELL IT	
† Benediction and Choral Response UMH 898		
Amen	Danish	
† Postlude		
Go, Tell It on the Mountain	Richard Elliot	

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH	
Sunday, December 29	Tuesday, December 31
9:00 AM Early Service	Office Closed
10:00 AM First Friends	
10:00 AM Sunday School	Wednesday, January 1
11:00 AM Traditional Service	Office Closed
Monday, December 30	Thursday, January 2
Office Closed	Office Closed
9:30 AM Line Dancing	

Serving Today:	
Ushers:	9:00 Dave Janssen 11:00 Doug and Kathy Elliott
Lay Readers:	9:00 Laura Robertson 11:00 Barbara Scarboro
Shepherd:	Mary Webb
First Friends:	Set Up - Lee Holman Clean Up - Teresa Mackenzie

Visitors & Members
Please register your attendance on the pads located at the end of each pew. We are so glad you are worshiping with us today! We invite you to visit our guest registration area in the narthex. Please find an usher or staff member if you have any questions.
Church Information
If you would like to receive our weekly e-blast, please e-mail us at hello@iopmethodist.com
Name tags
We encourage everyone attending services to please wear your name tag. If you need to order a name tag, please ask an usher for an order form, then return it in a collection basket.

Adult Sunday School Classes
10:00 after the Worship Service. All ages welcome!
Anchor: Uses Bible-based Cokesbury study material. Meets in the Fellowship Hall.
All Comers: Uses Bible-based Cokesbury study materials. Meets in the classroom next to the kitchen on the first floor of the Sanctuary building.
Boone Bowen: A non-traditional approach to fostering a Christian faith. Meets in the Admin Building, first door on the left. For more information, call Mary Chason. cell: (843) 270-9092
Coffee House: Casual conversation pertaining to everyday topics. Meets in the Bridal Room. Contact Jen Robertson for more information.

Announcements:
International Mission: Medical Missions, INC.: Mission Trip to Chiapas, Mexico. June 7-14, 2025. Email lindamarie727@yahoo.com for more information

Local Mission: ECCO Outreach
Merry Christmas to each of you and thank you for helping to give the BIGGEST gift of all. We gave food to help feed our neighbors in need. The Food Trolley has collected over 800 lbs since we started this mission in July. January we are being asked for Pasta Sauce (canned or plastic, NO GLASS) and Rice .
Second Sunday Socks (MLBS): Bins are located in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall. Socks for men, women and children should be new, packaged, wrapped or bundled.

Confirmation Class of 2025: The time has come for our current 7th graders to become confirmed at First Church! Starting January 12th , we will meet on Sunday mornings at 10:00 in the Youth Loft. Layne Kipp will be your Confirmation leader and guide you through this amazing journey.
