

Church of Christ, Congregational

United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming Congregation

Our Mission

We seek to be a Christian community
by worshiping God through prayer, music, and the proclaimed Word.

Following Christ's example,
we enthusiastically reach out to everyone with compassion, respect and love
so that we may grow in faith and commitment together.



November 30, 2025

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Worship God, Serve our neighbors, Share God's love

Sunday November 30, 2025 at 10:00am

First Advent

*Indicates standing if you are able

B = Black Hymnal R=Red Hymnal

Prelude *Prepare the Way*

by Ben Logan

Welcome/Announcements

Gathering Music: *All Who Wait*

***Call To Worship**

One: Echoing the prophets of old,

Many: We tell stories of the days yet to come.

One: Refusing to dampen our dreams,

Many: We cast our visions of a world alive with life.

One: Let us be bold in our convictions!

Many: The Holy will be born anew.

One: The vulnerable will be cherished and protected.

Many: The weary and the worried will find rest.

One: Let us worship the One who enlivens us toward freedom
and flourishing.

***Opening Prayer (together)**

Incarnate One, we enter this season of Advent searching for fresh sources of hope. Protect our dreams and longing from cynicism and despair. Where our spirits have been wilted by cruelty and exhaustion, restore life in us. Nurture our creative life together so that we may keep experimenting with possibility. Guide us, companion us, bewilder us, as you have all who set off in search of Christ. Amen.

***Hymn B#118** *Of the Parent's Heart Begotten*

Passing the Peace of Christ

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Scripture Reading Isaiah 2:1-5

Sermon Hope on the Horizon

***Hymn B#122** *Come O Long Expected Jesus*

The Church at Prayer

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Our Personal Prayers in Silence

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (please use the wording with which you are most familiar.)

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Prayer Response *Be Still and Know That I am God*

A Time of Offering

Invitation

Offertory Anthem *How Great is Our God*

***Doxology** "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below

Praise God above your heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication** (together)

Emmanuel, God with us, we long for a new encounter with you, yet we know you are already here. You take on flesh in the lives around us, the resources we share, and the struggles we face. Bless these resources that they may help us welcome Christ in this place, at this

time, and among this community. May we seize every opportunity to embody your love for our neighbors, for strangers, and for our kin. Amen.

***Hymn B#609** *Now is the Time Approaching*

***Benediction**

Postlude: *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

by Penny Rodriguez

Please stay for fellowship following the service.

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**Have a prayer request?
Please contact Mary Jensen to add it to the
prayer chain at mejensen7@verizon.net**



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

M&M's (Monday Morning Needlework Group)

Join us from 10am-12pm in the parlor. Bring your handwork or just come to socialize, we'd love to see you there!

Pastoral Emergencies

If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Pastor James via
phone

Call or text (774)-993-9407

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, November 30

First Advent

10:00 am ~ Worship

11:00 am ~ Refreshments

Monday, December 1 ~ M& M's

10:00am-12:00pm in the Parlor

Sunday, December 7

Second Advent

10:00 am ~ Worship

11:00 am ~ Refreshments

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, December 6th

Jolly Holly Fair

9:00am ~ 2:00pm