



*Hanging of the Greens
Today After Worship
Service*



- ◆ **Advent Devotionals for All** - Available at the Welcome Center in the Narthex.
For Adults: *The Poetry of Advent: An Advent Companion to Mary Oliver's "Devotions"*.
Every pilgrimage needs a guide - and what better guide through the shadows and light of Advent than the amazing Mary Oliver?
For Families & Children: *Suddenly, A Savior*. *Open a window to Christmas joy!*
- ◆ **Adult Sunday School at 9:00 am through December 12.** The topic of this class, facilitated by Pastor Reba Kiger-Kolasch, is Racism. Participants are encouraged to discuss their personal experiences.
- ◆ **Sunday, December 5, Children's Christmas Pageant.** This will be held during the 10:30 am worship service. **Rehearsal** will be on Saturday, December 4, at 10:00 am starting in the Sanctuary.
- ◆ **Saturday, December 11, All Church Conference for 2022 at 9:00 to 11:00 am in the Sanctuary.**
- ◆ **Sunday, December 12, blood pressure** readings will be offered during coffee time at 10:00 in the gym.
- ◆ **Thursday, December 16, Quiet Christmas at 7:00 pm.** Seek refuge and strength in a quiet, reflective worship experience.

◆ **The Wesley Bell Ringers Christmas Home Concert Schedule – All are Invited!**



- Sunday, December 19, 4:00 and 7:30 pm
- Wednesday, December 22, 7:30 pm

◆ **Friday, December 24, Christmas Eve**

- 5:00 pm Family and Children Service
- 7:00 pm Candlelight Service
- 11:00 pm Candlelight Service with the Wesley Bell Ringers



- ◆ **Rent-A-Youth is available.** The Youth will help members in the congregation with raking, yard work, snow removal, cleaning or wherever needed. Contact Patsy at 801.808.6641 or youthdirector@christumcutah.org.
- ◆ **Crossroads Urban Center Wish List: Peanut Butter, Individual Size Drinks and Water, Granola Bars, Crackers, Canned Fruit, Tents and Sleeping Bags**
Donations can be dropped off here at CUMC just inside the East doors or taken to Crossroads Food Pantry.
- ◆ **Warm Clothing Drive for Crossroads Thrift Store**
Donations of new or gently used coats, mittens, gloves and hats are needed, along with new long underwear and socks.
- ◆ **Sunday Morning Schedule**
9:00 to 10:00 am - Sunday School for Adults
10:00 to 10:30 am - Fellowship and Coffee in the Gym
10:30 to 11:30 am - Sunday Worship Service and Sunday School for Children (3 Years- 6th Grade)
Childcare for children 2 years and younger is available in the Nursery during the Worship Service.

Christ United Methodist Church
Salt Lake City

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*First Sunday
of Advent*

Sunday Worship Service
November 28, 2021
10:30 AM

Our mission is to create and promote a faith that is thoughtful, compassionate and inclusive.

Pastors
Rev. Rusty Butler and
Rev. Bruce Kolasch

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A Reconciling Congregation

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We Are Glad You Are Here!

Please sign the attendance pad in your row and pass it to your neighbor.

Audio assistance and large print bulletins are available, please see an usher.

PRELUDE *Sleepers, Wake! A Voice is Calling BWV 645*
by J.S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP (Please stand as you are able.)

Once again we begin the journey through Advent toward Christmas.

This is the journey of waiting, of anticipation, of joy. This is the journey of faith.

The story of Christ's birth has much to tell us about family and honor, about courage and wonder, about facing our fears and following God's way.

This is the Advent road. This is the journey that warms our hearts and calls us to the better angels of our nature. Give thanks to the Lord!

OPENING HYMN *Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*
UMH 196

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING HYMN
Star Child TFWS 2095 vs. 1

CHILDREN'S TIME *Where Children Belong* TFWS 2233

This, this is where children belong,

Welcomed as part of the worshipping throng.

Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song;

This is where children belong.

UNISON PRAYER

O God, there is much we do not know and much which, if we knew, we would not understand.

We do not know why this season of the year holds such power.

Is it the hope that things can be better than they are?

Is it the expectation that we can change or that others will?

Is it the beauty of the Christmas Story?

Is it the possibility that one child can make such a difference?

We pray that we would learn why the season holds so much power, that we might feel that power in our lives, that the story might be told once more and that we will receive it in a way that transforms us once again.

Let us experience in a new way how the one child can make a difference. This is our hope. This is our prayer. Amen.

SILENT/PASTORAL PRAYER

THE 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. 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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OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES TO GOD

Text to Give: Text dollar amount to 801-317-8833 and follow the prompts. You only need to enter your information the first time you give.

OFFERTORY MUSIC *Mary Did You Know*
by Buddy Greene
Ted Itchon, Soloist

OFFERING PRAYER

God, may our gifts of our time, talents, and treasures to the church be a symbol of our open hands, hearts, and minds. May this church always be blessed with open doors so that the community knows of the love of Christ. Amen.

DOXOLOGY (Please stand as you are able.) UMH 95

Praise God, the love we all may share;

Praise God, the beauty everywhere;

Praise God, the hope of good to be;

Praise God, the truth that makes us free. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 64:1-9

SPECIAL MUSIC *Advent Song* by Russell Nagy
The Chancel Choir, Directed by Logan Bingham

MESSAGE *Extravagant Claims You Can Trust*
Rev. R. Butler

HYMN *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* UMH 211
vs. 1,2,6,7

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION HYMN *Go Tell It On The Mountain*
UMH 251, Refrain

POSTLUDE *Trumpet Tune on "Adeste Fideles"*
By David Lasky

THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP

Pastor Rev. Russell Butler
Organist Shelby Fisher
Media Barrett Carpenter, Josh Jensen,
Chuck Mittelstadt,
Shannon Meyer, Conrad Barajas
Children's Director Kelly Carpenter

PASTORAL CARE CONCERNS AND INFORMATION

In Need of a Pastor's Visit or Call?

Please contact the church office at 801-486-5473.
For emergency situations after office hours you can reach
Pastor Rusty at 385-215-4675 or
Pastor Bruce at 406-891-0434.

KEEPING IN PRAYER

John Lay
Judy Babbitt's Mother, Marilee Wear
Debbie Rohovit's Cousin, Kevin
Kurtis Kreh
Barbara Sullivan
Jan Nemcik
Jeannine Gregoire, Janette Knight's sister
Kathy & Lloyd Bolson, Donna Mitchell's sister &
brother-in-law
Alisa and Ryan Cooper
Ken and Becky Prater