



Worship OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, December 1

First Sunday of Advent

Worship with Holy Communion

8:30 & 11 a.m. – Nave

Keep Awake

Rev. Dawn Chesser

Matthew 24:36-44

Wednesday, December 4

12 p.m. – Nave

Organ Recital Begins at 11:40 a.m.

Rev. Dawn Chesser

Lunch in Parish Hall at 12:30 pm (\$8.00).

Call 524-3048 to make a reservation.

Music of Advent & Christmas

Immerse yourself in musical worship on December 8 and 15 for services full of Advent and Christmas carols, presented by the Children's and Youth Choirs (Dec. 8) & the Parish Adult Choir (Dec. 15).

HAPPENING AT CHURCH STREET

Celebrating our Strengths, Discerning Our Future

Thanks to those who attended our listening circles last week. If you were not able to attend, you may still provide feedback, either online, or by picking up or requesting a paper feedback form. Please visit the Church Street homepage for the link to the survey, or contact Katie Strangis at 521-0299 or kstrangis@churchstreetumc.org if you would like to receive a paper feedback form to mail to our facilitators.



Advent Craft Festival and Shop the World Gift Market - December 1

Spend the first Sunday of Advent in the holiday spirit with our friends from Shop the World Gift Market and Church Street's annual Advent Craft Festival. The fun begins at 8 am in the Welcome Center, where you can do your holiday shopping and feel good about the fair trade gifts you're purchasing. At 5 pm, bring a side dish or dessert to Parish Hall to share as we fellowship together with a potluck (and **Shop the World**) before heading to the Gym for the Advent Craft Festival. At ACF, enjoy making a dozen crafts, pick up your Advent Devotional, and prepare a Christmas Card for one of our homebound members. We look forward to seeing you at Church Street for this special first Sunday of Advent.



Giving Tree

Help children served by Beacon of Hope enjoy a festive Christmas by selecting a wishlist ornament from the tree in the Chapel Hallway and creating memories for a child in need*.

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Gifts due to Church Office by 12/6.
Contact Dona at 599-5047 with questions

*YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BUY EVERYTHING ON THE LIST.



Save the Date:
Poinsettias will be on sale in the Chapel Hallway on December 8 and 15.

All are Welcome at Church Street!

We believe every person is of sacred worth and created in God's image. We welcome and celebrate the gifts God has given to all persons without regard to race, color, national origin, ethnicity, age, gender, disability, status, economic condition, sexual orientation, gender identity, or religious affiliation. We respect diversity of opinion and expressions of Christian faith. We believe God loves everyone unconditionally! As God loves us, so let us love and serve in the name of Christ.

WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR CHURCH STREET?

Calendar: December 1 - December 7

Worship

Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave
Rejoice! TV Broadcast
Sunday, 8:00 am, WVLT-TV
Midweek Advent Noonday Service
Wednesday, 12 pm, Nave
Organ Recital begins at 11:40 am
Lunch, 12:30 pm, Parish Hall (\$8)

Sunday School 9:40 AM

Beacon of Hope

BOH Benevolence Team
Tuesday, 12 pm, Vestal UMC
BOH Food Co-Op
Thursday, 9:30 am, Vestal UMC

Meetings & Ministry

Shop the World Gift Market
Sunday, 8 am, Welcome Center
Church Council
Sunday, 12:15 pm, Chapel
Stephen Ministry
Sunday, 1:30 pm, rm-201A
Advent Bible Study
Sunday, 4 & 5 pm, rm-201A
Wednesday, 9:30 am, rm-201A
Potluck Dinner
Sunday, 5 pm, Parish Hall
Advent Craft Festival
Sunday, 5:45 pm, Gym
Benevolence Team
Monday, 12 pm, Office
Charge Conference
Monday, 6 pm, Chapel
SASH
Tuesday, 6 pm, rm-201A

Meetings & Ministry

Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall

Children & Youth

NightLife
Sunday, 5:15 pm, CLC
Wesley House Tutoring
Tuesday, 4:15 pm, Offsite
Youth Band
Wednesday, 6:15 pm, CLC
High School Prayer Breakfast
Thursday, 8:15 am, Offsite

UMW

Christmas Program & Luncheon
Saturday, 11 am, Nave & Parish Hall

Singles & Fellowship

Bridge Group
Monday, 6 pm, rm-201C
Friday Fun Nights Dances
Friday, 7 pm, Gym

Music

Parish Youth Choir
Sunday, 4 pm, Nave
Chorister Choir
Sunday, 4 pm, Nave
Primary Choir
Sunday, 4 pm, Nave
Kinder Choir
Sunday, 4:45 pm, Nave
Parish Adult Choir
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm-306
Youth/Children's Choir Rehearsal
Saturday, 9 am, Nave

Our Prayers

In the Hospital:

Paula Buckner: Parkwest

Home from the Hospital:

Pamela Reeves
John Mann

Christian love and sympathy to:

The family of James Rowloand, brother of Brenda Flenniken, who died on November 22.

Our Presence: November 24

Sunday School	300
Sunday Worship	559

Our Gifts: November 24

Operating Budget	\$33,151.66
Building Fund	\$527.00
Other	\$1,479.00

Altar Flowers

The Chancel Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. Claude S. Reeder, Sr. & Mr. & Mrs. Claude S. Reeder, Jr., by Paul & Susie Siler.

The Advent Wreath is given in loving memory of Dr. Lucian Trent, Edward & Kathleen Crawford, Wilmer & Jo Loveless by Mike & Mary Crawford.

Our Church Family

Wedding

Abbi Roehl and Garrett Hill were married on November 23 at Church Street, with Rev. Dawn Chesser officiating.

LECTIONARY READINGS

December 1

First Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 2:1-5
Psalm 122
Romans 13:11-14
Matthew 24:36-44

December 8

Second Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 11:1-10
Psalm 72:1-7,18-19
Romans 15:4-13
Matthew 3:1-12

Pastor's Bible Study has ended for the 2019 calendar year.

Contact Us

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Memorials

In memory of:

- **John Longmire**
Building Fund: Betty Brewer, Ann Warwick, and Gretchen McKee
Master Arts Series: Verna McLain