
THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 5, 2021 | 10:15 AM



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CONNECTING **FAITH**,
FRIENDSHIP, **FAMILY**

Welcome to Central

If you have COVID-19, or have been in close contact with someone with COVID-19 in the past 14 days, or have had any symptoms of COVID-19, please stay at home.

An online worship service is available on Facebook and YouTube for those unable to worship in person.

Seating in the Sanctuary is limited to every other pew for social distancing. Overflow seating is available in the East Parlor.

We ask that everyone age 2 and older wear a face mask indoors, regardless of vaccination status. Extra masks are available in the Narthex.

Hand sanitizer stations are located in the Narthex, East Parlor, 39th Street Lobby, and at the exits to the Sanctuary.

Anyone who tests positive for COVID-19 after being at church should notify the pastor as soon as possible, so that the congregation may be made aware of any potential

exposure. Names will be kept strictly confidential.

If you are a visitor, we invite you to fill out a Community Connection card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

Childcare for children up to age 5 is provided in our nursery until 11:30 AM. The nursery is located in the education wing on the first floor. Children's worship packets are available in the Narthex.

Large print bulletins, hymnals, and personal hearing units are available. Please speak to one of the hosts if you have special needs.

For online giving, go to www.dmcpc.org/give.

Be sure to silence all cell phones.

♦ = All who are able, please stand.

Please join us for Fellowship Time following the service in the East Parlor. *Hosted by: Joan Middleton.*

The Worship of God

GATHERING

PRELUDE

People, Look East

Robert A. Hobby

Prepare the Royal Highway

Robert A. Hobby

CALL TO WORSHIP

Iona Community

Maybe it is in the waiting for God,
not in the wandering from store to store,
that we find our way.

**Maybe it is in the friendship of God,
not in the frenzy of the crowds,
that we are led to the manger.**

Maybe it is in the steadfast love of God,
not in the pile of stuff under the tree,
that we find what we have been searching for.

**Maybe, just maybe, God of Advent, this year will be different.
Maybe, just maybe, we will let you lead us to Bethlehem.**

◆ HYMN 87

GENEVAN 42

Comfort, Comfort Now My People

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Iona Community

Come, God-with-us,
who braves our rejection and hurt,
who holds us in acceptance and love.

Come, God-for-us,
who whispers in our ears that we—each of us—
are beloved children.

Come, God-under-us,
who cradles us in arms that never grow weary,
whose lap has room enough for all.

Come, God-over-us,
who watches in the long silence of the night,
that we might rest in peace.

Come, God-beside-us,
who steadies us when we falter,
who lifts us up when we fall.
Come, God-behind-us,
who picks up all the faded dreams we drop along the way,
and patchworks them into hope.
O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and we will rejoice forever. Amen.

CANTICLE 90

WAIT FOR THE LORD

Wait for the Lord

LIGHTING OF THE SECOND ADVENT CANDLE

GREETING

May the One who was, and who is, and who is to come
be with you in grace and peace
And also with you.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Randi McNally

WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 70
pew Bible, OT p. 495

ANTHEM

When Angels Sing

Chancel Choir
Mark Miller

Within each lifetime an angel's voice is heard;
celestial sounds pierce time and space.
For just a moment, the breathless beauty
of heaven's song reveals God's grace.

Peace in our hearts, peace when angels sing,
peace, be still and listen heart.
Listen when angels sing.

Despite our sorrow, the dawn brings life anew;
and raging storms begin to cease.
For just a moment, the breathless beauty
of heaven's song brings us peace.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

The Gospel of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Luke 1:68–79
pew Bible, NT p. 50

SERMON

Waiting for God

Wallace W. Bubar

◆ **HYMN 105**

People, Look East

BESANÇON

RESPONSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

O giver of hope:
Hear our prayer.

OFFERTORY

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

David Cherwien

DOXOLOGY 606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

◆ **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

EUCHARIST

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus (Hymnal 562)

SCHUBERT

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

...one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

debts/debtors

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER

SENDING

◆ **HYMN 107**

Awake, Awake, and Greet the New Morn

REJOICE, REJOICE

◆ **BENEDICTION**

◆ **CHORAL RESPONSE**

POSTLUDE

Savior of the Nations, Come

Paul Manz

Upcoming Events

Poinsettia Orders and Holiday Decorations

Orders are due by Monday, December 13

Your contribution to the holiday decoration fund will help us purchase outdoor Christmas planters, fresh greenery, floral arrangements, and poinsettias, which will be displayed in the Sanctuary from December 12–January 2. Order forms are available in the church office and online. Contributions can be made online in the Giving Portal, at www.dmcpc.org/give.

A listing of donors will be printed in the Sunday, December 19 morning worship bulletin and the Christmas Eve bulletin. **All orders must be in the church office by Monday, December 13.** For more information contact Kimberly Sanford at ksanford@dmcpc.org or 515-279-3658.

A Service of *Lessons & Carols*

Sunday, December 19, 2:00 PM, Sanctuary

The service known as Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols, planned by Eric Milner-White, the Dean of King's College, Cambridge, in 1918, incorporated nine readings from the Old and New Testaments telling of the birth of Christ, interspersed with carols and choral anthems. Please join us as we continue to celebrate this rich tradition here at Central. Featuring the Chancel Choir and Morgen Bells, and directed by Rich Dewein, music director, Sue Hudson, Morgen Bells director and accompanied by Lois Harms, organist and pianist.

Children's Christmas Pageant

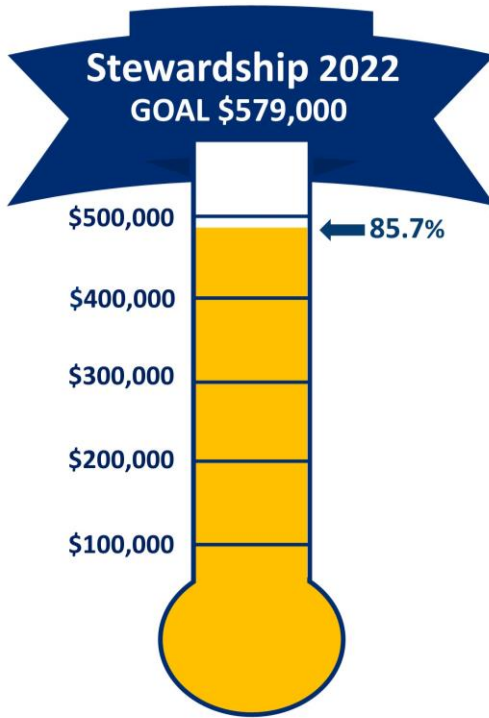
Sunday, December 19, 6:30 PM, Sanctuary

Come for a night of celebration, songs and even live animals as the children and youth present the telling of the Christmas story! The animals will be on the front lawn for viewing before the pageant. Everyone is invited!

Christmas Eve Services

Friday, December 24, 5:00 & 7:30 PM, Sanctuary

Stewardship: *Coming Together As One*



PLEDGES BOX SCORE

As of December 2, 2021

Budget / Goal **\$579,000**

Received

116 Pledge Cards Returned totaling \$496,460 85.7%

12 New Pledges \$13,990

Of the Pledges Received:

73 are increased in the amount of \$390,460
(\$47,101 increase)

6 are decreased in the amount of \$9,340
(\$5,384 decrease)

25 are unchanged in the amount of \$82,670

12 are new pledges in the amount of \$13,990

TOTAL \$496,460

About Today's Service

Assisting in worship today:

Liturgist: Mary Eggers McCarroll

Crucifer: John Lowe

Advent Candle: Connie Klug & Paul Tavernier

Hosts: John Fisher, Carmen & Matt Getting and Bill Green

Organist: Lois Harms

Music Director: Rich Dewein

Music: Chancel Choir

Audio: Marvin Minor

Video: Ben Patzlaff

Graphics: Jann Freed

Editing: Kim Coulter

The flowers in the chancel are given by Kris von Boeselager in memory of Gus von Boeselager, her husband.

Chancel Flowers

We are grateful to all who have signed up to donate flowers for the Sanctuary each week. If you would like to reserve a date to remember a beloved family member or celebrate a joyful occasion, please call the church office at 515-279-3658, to reserve one of the remaining dates.

- March 13
- June 5
- July 31
- August 28

After Worship Fellowship – Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers to serve snacks, coffee or other refreshments of your choice in the East Parlor. **There is a signup sheet** in the Narthex, or you can contact the church at 515-279-3658 to get your name on the list.

After Worship Treat Schedule 2021–2022

- Dec 12: Kathy & Joe Haines
- Dec 19: Connie Klug & Paul Tavernier
- Dec 26:
- Jan 2:
- Jan 9:

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Mission Statement

We strive to be a Christian congregation
dedicated to a strong tradition of worship,
committed to spiritual inquiry and growth,
caring for one another,
and bearing witness to God's love in the world.



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