

HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (UMH, pp. 17-18)

THE LORD'S PRAYER (#895)

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP #203 *Hail to the Lord's Anointed* Ellacombe

*BENEDICTION & CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE *Hail to the Lord's Anointed* arr. Franklin Ritter

*The people may stand. Acolytes: Isaiah Paik, Caroline Kiker

Immediately following the service, the congregation is invited to the Parlor for a time of fellowship and refreshments, hosted by Thursday Morning Bible Study.

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CHURCH OF THE SAVIOUR

United Methodist

Bringing New Life to Greater Heights



December 3, 2017

Sanctuary 11:00 a.m.

First Sunday of Advent

CHURCH STAFF

Lead Pastor: Andy Call; *Pastor of Connections:* Gregory Kendrick, Jr.; *Director of Children's Ministries:* Lydia Stephens; *Child Care Coordinator & Children's Ministry Assistant:* Pam Bowler; *Director of Youth Ministries:* Curt Campbell; *Director of Music:* David Gilson; *9:30 Worship Leader:* Brian Smart; *Organist:* Robert H. Day; *Handbell Coordinator:* Virginia Steiger; *Technical Director & Wedding Coordinator:* Leslie Myers; *Business Administrator:* Loretta Dahlstrom; *Administrative Assistants:* Cris Hicks, Debbie Johnson; *Chimes Editor:* Jill Barr; *Properties Manager:* Penny Neisen; *Custodians:* Yee Chy, John Austin, Jon Cermak, Robert Campbell, Leslie Myers; *Resident:* Robert Campbell; *Missionaries:* Esther Gitobu (Cambodia), Larry & Jane Kies (Zimbabwe), Joey & Kerry Davidson (Liberia); *Lay Leaders:* Shawn & Chris McCandless; *ELC Director:* Charlene Williams; *Pastoral Counselor:* Lois Annich; *Pastor Emeritus:* Dr. Charles D. Yoost

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

SANCTUARY

11:00 a.m.

OPENING TO GOD

PRELUDE *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates* arr. Lani Smith
The Lamb That's Soon to Come Charity Boyles

WELCOME The Rev. Andy Call

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP¹ The Guice Family

Leader: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

People: those who lived in a land of deep darkness, on them light has shined.

Leader: We join with sisters and brothers around the world, lighting candles to mark our steps in this Advent journey.

People: Today, we light the candle of Hope.

Leader: Even though the world seems dark and cold, we know that the light of Christ is coming. The face of our Lord will shine, and we shall be saved!

People: Testifying against all suffering and darkness, we kindle this light. Together, we proclaim to the world that, in Christ, we have hope.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #202 *People, Look East* Besancon

*CALL TO CONFESSION The Rev. Gregory Kendrick, Jr.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION¹

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even in Advent,

we confess that you can seem far away.

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In our hurt, doubt, and fear,

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instead, we lash out—

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**Forgive us, we pray, and come to save us!
Let your face shine until our tears are dried,
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After all, we belong to you,
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In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE (Share signs of reconciliation with each other.)

HEARING GOD'S WORD

MINISTRY OF MUSIC *Come Lord Jesus* Bedford
Carol Choir

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON *Isaiah 64:1-12* The Rev. Yvonne Conner
Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

THE MESSAGE *Waiting with Purpose: Hope* Rev. Call

OFFERING OUR LIVES IN DISCIPLESHIP

HYMN OF REFLECTION #508 *Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom*
For the Bread

COMMISSIONING OF CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTERS

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Kendrick, Jr.

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Rev. Call
For hospitality with visitors and member care, please sign the Friendship Pad.

Offertory *The King Shall Come* arr. George Mabry
Chancel Choir

*The Doxology (#95) & Prayer of Dedication

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PRELUDE

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Karen Murgiano

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GROW. PRAY. STUDY.

December 3 – Advent 1

Isaiah 64:1-12

“From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived,
no eye has seen any God besides you,
who works for those who wait for him.” – Isaiah 64:4

Advent is a season of waiting – purposeful, expectant waiting. It is not like Lent where we don sackcloth and ashes taking on a penitential repose. No, Advent is a season where we are reminded that Christ is coming into our lives. So we wait, expectantly. Isaiah reminds us that we wait for a God who always shows up in the lives of God’s people. How will you wait this Advent season?

Monday: Isaiah 64:1-12
Tuesday: I Corinthians 1:3-9
Wednesday: Isaiah 40:26-31
Thursday: Mark 13:24-37
Friday: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
Saturday: 2 Peter 3:8-15a

Sunday, December 10 - Second Sunday of Advent

Worship at 8:30 a.m. in Myers Chapel
9:30 a.m. in the Great Hall
11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Rev. Gregory Kendrick Jr preaching
Waiting with Purpose: Peace
(2 Peter 3:8-15a)

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9:30 WORSHIP



TODAY IN WORSHIP

The Message
Waiting with Purpose: Hope
Isaiah 64:1-12

Rev. Andy Call

Ushers

Wittke Family

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Advent Book Study** (*Faithful* by Adam Hamilton) starts today and meets for 3 weeks at 10:45 a.m. in room 122.

Metro Missions Angel Tree Project - Please bring your gifts to the Parlor this morning.

Decorate our Hat, Mitten & Sock Tree! Church of the Saviour is partnering with The Salvation Army East Cleveland to provide 150 children in the East Cleveland community with winter hats, gloves, and socks. Place your donated items on the branches of the tree in the Great Hall entrance.

United Methodist Women invites all women to its December 12 program: **Christmas Music with Jennifer and Andy Call** starting at 10 a.m., followed by a holiday buffet brunch. RSVP appreciated but not required. In keeping with the spirit of the season, you may bring an unwrapped gift for West Side Community House or Berea Children's Home or place a check in the basket for either of those organizations. If child care is needed, please reserve by calling Debbie Jones: 216-382-5929.

All Church Caroling: This could be the most meaningful gift you give this year! Join our church family to share the joy and good news of Christmas by caroling at area retirement homes from 7 - 9 p.m. on Friday, December 15. We'll meet at the church for prayer and then carpool to our caroling venues.

SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICES IN DECEMBER

Taizé - Wednesday, December 6 at 7 p.m., Sanctuary

Come enjoy a quiet, reflective worship service in the Sanctuary with candle lighting, prayers, silence, simple song and communion.

Longest Night - Wednesday, December 20 at 7 p.m., Sanctuary

This worship service in the style of Taizé is a time of remembrance and reflection. The Holiday Season is not always joyful, especially for those who have experienced loss or are disconnected from others during the darkest time of year. We gather to be in God's presence.

Christmas Eve Services - Sunday, December 24

- Morning worship at 10 a.m., Great Hall
- 4:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. featuring a Nativity Pageant, Sanctuary
- 11 p.m. Lessons & Carols with Communion, Sanctuary

New Year's Eve Services - Sunday, December 31

- Morning worship at 8:30 in Myers Chapel, 9:30 in the Great Hall, and 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary
- 7 p.m. *Watch Night Service* of celebration and anticipation as well as an

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, December 3

Worship at 8:30 Myers Chapel, 9:30 Great Hall, 11:00 Sanctuary

- 10:40 a.m. Prayer Meeting, Myers Chapel
- 10:45 a.m. Advent Study, Room 122
- 12:15 p.m. Wesley Bells, Room 223
- 1:15 p.m. Flute Ensemble, Room 223
- 6:00 p.m. Catalyst Bible Study, Evangelista Home

MONDAY, December 4

- 12:00 p.m. Chapter BW Christmas Tea, Parlor
- 7:00 p.m. Sojourn Women's Bible Study, Room 121

TUESDAY, December 5

- 9:30 a.m. UMW Board Meeting, Room 122
- 12:10 p.m. DownTown Abbey, 1151 N. Marginal Road, Cleveland
- 7:00 p.m. Board of Trustees Meeting, Room 161
- 7:00 p.m. SPRC Meeting, Room 121
- 7:30 p.m. Vasa Voices, Great Hall

WEDNESDAY, December 6

- 12:00 p.m. Retired Men's Luncheon, Parlor
- 7:00 p.m. Taizé Worship, Sanctuary

THURSDAY, December 7

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, Parlor
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study, Room 121
- 6:00 p.m. Gather, Room 100
- 6:00 p.m. Music Ministry Rehearsals
- 7:30 p.m. Man Talk, Room 121

FRIDAY, December 8

- 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study, Room 161
- 11:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Parlor
- 12:00 p.m. Church Women United Tea, Calvary Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal, Room 122

SATURDAY, December 9

- 8:15 a.m. Spiritual Fitness, Room 121
- 9:30 a.m. Needlework Guild & Prayer Shawl Ministry, Room 214
- 2:00 p.m. Saint Lucia Event

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- 4:30 p.m. Good News, Choir Room
- 5:30 p.m. Agape, Choir Room
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