



# CLINTON

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### Next Week's Scripture Readings:

Sunday: Psalm 122:1-9

Pray and rejoice as you come into the Lord's presence!

Monday: Isaiah 2:6-18

Pray and exalt God alone.

Tuesday: Romans 5:1-5

Pray that the love and hope of God's Spirit be poured into your life.

Wednesday: Genesis 3:1-24

Pray and remember why and how Christ came to bring you back to God.

Thursday: Matthew 24:36-44

Pray for the faith and endurance to be ready on the day of the Lord.

Friday: Romans 13:11-14

Pray to be able to put on and live in the light of Christ.

Saturday: Luke 1:5-25

Pray and believe the Good News!

### Christ has died. Christ is Risen. Christ will come again.

This profession of faith reframes our challenging circumstances with real and enduring hope! Life's difficulties, disappointments and pain are not the final word. Not even death itself is the final word. The power of God in the risen Jesus Christ is the final word! Listen to more at <https://www.mykdkd.com/united-methodist-church/> (November 24 service and message).

This past Sunday's proclamation of Christ's return and final victory marked the end of the church's year-long walk through the Jesus story. Now it's time to begin that walk again. It's time to begin the season of Advent.

In the next four weeks we will watch, wait, and make room in our lives for the coming of Christ anew! Our worship will include the signs, symbols, and music of the season. This Sunday, December 1, we will celebrate Holy Communion and start a new sermon series called "Setting the Table for the Savior" (look elsewhere in the newsletter for more about it). I'm really looking forward to our Advent journey together!

But right now, it's Thanksgiving week. And so, I encourage you to give thanks for all God has provided for you. And be sure to give thanks in advance for the new and forever life in Christ to come! Happy Thanksgiving and I'll see you Sunday morning at 8:15 or 10:30!

Your partner on the journey,  
Pastor Steve

## Sunday Assistants

Office Host: Angelia Entrop

Altar Flowers: Martha Welsh

Gathering Music:

8:15—Frances Harvey

10:30—David Cummings

8:15 Acolytes

Greta Huenefeldt

and Alexis Scott

8:15 Ushers:

Greg & Carlene Lowe

8:15 Greeters:

The Zink Family

The Himes Family

Children's Time: Larry Dawson

Fellowship Time Hosts:

Don Turner

10:30 Ushers:

Larry & Eunice Wright

10:30 Greeters:

Ralph & Linda Sites

Nancy Fleming & Mary Miller

Bus Driver: Don Turner

## Prayers are needed for:

Patrick Bernard,

Don Eaton,

Joe Wagoner,

Michael Cole Scott,

Briana Hall, Margaret Miller,

Tom Ross, Danny Miles,

Melvin Dennis, Helen Finks



## Advent Sermon Series

When guests are coming for dinner, we usually go all out to prepare. It can be a lot of work, but it's worth it for special dinner guests! The days leading up to Christmas are just such a time! It's the Advent season, a time to prepare for an extra special guest... Jesus Christ! Be sure to join us for Sunday worship, December 1 - December 22, at 8:15 or 10:30 a.m., and our sermon series called, "Setting The Table For The Savior." From the words of the Old Testament prophet Isaiah, we'll discover ways to "set the table" of our lives for the coming of Christ anew this Advent season! For more information please call the church office at 885-5597.

## Organ Concert—Colors of Christmas

Next Sunday, December 1st at 3:00 PM, join us as we celebrate the addition of a clarinet rank to our sanctuary organ. Our program will highlight the new rank of pipes, explain the part it plays in the instrument and start our Advent season with some carols and music to help us hear the "Colors of Christmas".



## Christmas Sing Along

Presented by the Clinton Arts Council, the Christmas Sing Along will be at 2:00 PM on December 8th at the Church. This will benefit the musical elements in the City of Clinton's Inclusive Playground Project. Join the Chancel Band, Sam Lucas, David Maggi, and David Cummings, pianos and ukuleles for an hour of merriment and song. See the sanctuary decorated beautifully in all its glory for the Christmas season! Monetary donations to the playground project will be accepted.

## Coming Up!

Thursday and Friday,

November 28-29

Office Closed

Sunday, December 1st

8:15—Early Worship

9:00—Fellowship Time

9:30—Sunday School

10:30—Late Worship

3:00—Organ Concert

"Colors of Christmas"

Monday, December 2nd

5:00—Ukuleles

5:15—Pickleball

5:15—Learner Bells

6:00—Chancel Bells

Tuesday, December 3rd

8:30—Pickleball

Wednesday, December 4th

Noon—Prayer Group Meets

3:00—Youth

3:30—Angelus Choir

5:00—Youth

5:00—Supper with Santa

6:00—Chancel Band

7:00—Chancel Choir

Thursday, December 5th

8:30—Pickleball

Friday, December 6th

1:00—New Friday Social

Group Meets

Sunday, December 8th

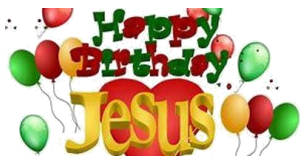
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9:30—Sunday School

10:30—Late Worship

2:00—Christmas Sing Along



## Supper with Santa!

This year, for Supper with Santa, we will be celebrating Jesus' Birthday! We hope you can join us for this fun celebration here at the Methodist Church gym on Wednesday, December 4th from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Mark your calendars and tell all of your friends! And don't forget, Santa will be there if you need to tell him anything!!

## Lifetouch Free 8x10s are Ready

If you had your picture taken in October and only ordered the free 8x10, please come to the church and pick it up—they are in the Green Room .

## Poinsettias



Poinsettias have been ordered to decorate the sanctuary the last 2 Sundays before Christmas. To buy one and put it in honor or

in memory of someone, please fill out the Connect Card on Sunday. The price will be \$9.00. We have 60 ordered, so we should have plenty for everyone!

## Thank You!

Please extend a HUGE thank you to all the ladies that helped bake cookies for our school carnival. We couldn't have been able to pull off the cake walk without your help!

Sincerely, Sherri Swope  
Principal Henry Elementary



## Save the dates for Holiday Activities!

**NOTE A COUPLE TIME CHANGES! More information to follow!**

Sunday, December 1st—3:00—Christmas Organ Concert

Wednesday, December 4th—5:00-7:00—Supper with Santa—Jesus's Birthday Party!

December 7th—1:00-4:00pm—Christmas Open House at the Parsonage

December 8th—Blanket Sunday (each blanket is \$8)

December 8th—**2:00 (TIME CHANGE!)**—Christmas Sing A Long —Clinton Arts Council fundraiser for the Inclusive Park

Week for December 9th—Christmas Cheer

December 15th—10:30—Children's Christmas Program

December 15th—**4:00 (TIME CHANGE!)**—Carols in the Chapel

December 22nd—Red Sweater Sunday and Youth Bake Sale

December 24—4:00 and 7:00—Christmas Eve Services with Communion (Communion from 3:00-4:00 and 6:00-7:00)

December 25—1:00—Christmas Dinner

## New Group Starting

Let's meet on Friday, December 6th at 1:00 for some time to get out of the house, socialize and have some fun! Would you like to play cards, do puzzles, play dominoes or board games or something else fun? Call Dwight Staples at 492-9521 with questions or suggestions for activities and we'll see you on the 6th.

## 2020 Estimate of Giving Cards

If you haven't turned in your "GIVE THANKS" 2020 Estimate of Giving card to church, it's not too late. Mail it, bring it to the office, or drop it in the offering plate another Sunday.

## Children's Books Wanted

If you have children's books that could use a new home, please donate them to the church library. A variety of books are welcome.