



CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

Hangings of the Greens

December 4, 10:40 a.m.



The Community Gathers to Worship God

Bell Toll Audio

Prelude
"Away in a Manger"

Welcome to First Christian Church Pastor Jerry

*Pass the Peace of Christ

*Song of Gathering 119(vs. 1)
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

*Call to Worship Jacelynn Laws
Leader: Look up, all people, for the realm of God is near;
Gather with the saints to praise our Creator.
People: We rejoice in the promise of salvation as we give thanks for God's steadfast love.
Leader: The gifts of God are for all generations and for people in every walk of life.
People: In humble obedience we accept our blessings and embrace God's call to responsibility.
Leader: Surely God is faithful to the covenant and eager to instruct us in the ways of peace.
People: We will watch and pray, and be ready to act. Let us hear what God has in store for us.

*Opening Hymn 148
"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

*Meaning of the Hanging of the Greens Jacelynn Laws

*Gloria Patri 35

The Community Glorifies God

Hanging of the Greens
"The Sanctuary Evergreens" Yvonne Slifer

Christmas Carol see insert
"Deck the Halls"

Hangings Wreaths, Garlands, and Banners
Lighting Candles

Placing Poinsettias
The Christmas Poinsettia Gillian Godfrey
Hymn 162
"What Child Is This?" arr. Hakes
Placing Poinsettias

Lighting Candles in the Advent Wreath
Meaning of the Advent Wreath Justin & Lauren Curtis
"One Candle is Lit" (Stanzas 1,2,5) 128
Lighting of Advent Candle

Decorating a Christmas Tree
The Christmas Tree Dale Slifer
Decorating Our Church Family Tree
(At this time you're invited to either come forward to place your ornament or give it to one of the youth to bring forward for you.)

"Early Snowfall"
Todd McClure

The Community Shares in Christ's Life
Remembering the Birth of Jesus Christ
Luke 2:1-7 Pastor Jerry

Bringing in the Nativity Children
Hymn 163
"Infant Holy"

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings to God

Invitation to Giving Carrie Laws
Offertory
"Greensleeves"
Todd McClure

*Doxology 46
*Prayer of Dedication

Celebrating Holy Communion
Invitation to Holy Communion Pastor Jerry
Words of Institution
Hymn of Communion 147
"Away in a Manger"

Prayers for the Elements Carrie Laws
Debbie Haller

Partaking of the Bread and Cup
(All are invited to partake of the bread and the cup as the trays are passed.)

The Community Prepares for Ministry
Prayers for the People Pastor Jerry

*Benediction Pastor Jerry

*Closing Response "Emmanuel" 134

*Postlude
"Blessings"

***All who are able please stand**



Sunday, December 4

8:00 a.m.-Coffee House in CLC
8:30 a.m.-Praise Service in CLC
9:30 a.m.-Sunday School (All ages)
10:40 a.m.-Worship
Coffee Fellowship
2:00 p.m.-All Youth Shopping

Monday, Dec. 5

9:00 a.m.-Bell Practice
2:30 p.m.-Bridge Class
6:00 p.m.-Bridge Club
6:30 p.m.-Boy Scouts & Cubs

Tuesday, Dec. 6

9:30 a.m.-Newsletter Crew in lobby
6:00 p.m.-Narcotics Ann. Meet in Blue Room

Wednesday, Dec. 7

1:00 p.m.-Home School Show Choir in CLC
1:00 p.m.-Secunda Club in parlor
7:30 p.m.-Board Meeting in parlor

Thursday, Dec. 8

9:30 p.m.-CWF Monthly Meeting in Parlor

Friday, Dec. 9

11:00 a.m.-Area Church Secretaries Christmas Party in Lobby

Saturday, Dec. 10

N/A

Sunday, Dec. 11

8:00 a.m.-Coffee House
8:30 a.m.-Praise Worship
9:30 a.m.-Sunday School
10:40 a.m.-Worship
Campbellite Dinner
5:00 p.m.-Youth

The children are practicing for their Christmas program during Sunday School. They will perform their program on Sunday, 18 Dec 2016, at the 10:40 service. Please come and join us at 9:30 Sunday mornings if you would like to participate.



SERVING TODAY –December 4, 2016

Presiding Elder: Carrie Laws
Elders: Carrie Laws, Debbie Haller
Liturgist: Jacelynn Laws
Readers: Yvonne Slifer, Gillian Godfrey, Justin & Lauren Curtis and Dale Slifer
Deacons: Jane Russell, Harry Gelbach, Mike Revels, J.K. Basye, Jody Miller, Rhonda Gelbach, Doug Gelbach, Noel Dougherty, Karen Love
Asst. Deacons: Gillian Godfrey, Hanna Stillwell
Deaconess: Vicki Granger
Audio: John Howard
Coffee Fellowship: Mary & Bruce Howey
Guest Organist: Todd McClure

Staff

Pastor: Jerry Basye
Youth Leader: Nancy Huff
Organist: Anita Grigsby
Director of Choirs: Gary Grigsby
Office Manager: Cindy Howard
Custodian: George Long
Nursery Care: Margaret Klein
Gillian Godfrey



1st Sunday of Advent
Sunday, December 4, 2016
First Christian Church
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Our Mission

We are an open and welcoming community that God calls and the Holy Spirit empowers to:

- share the Good News of Jesus Christ with all ages*
- explore and express a growing faith*
- equip believers for ministries which expand the kingdom of God*

Announcements

In Our Prayers!

Throughout this week, we invite you to pray for these and others announced in worship.

Gary Baldwin
Toni Frandsen
Dennis Gillette (Janette's dad)
Our Children
Our Law Enforcement
Our Military who are deployed

YOUTH SALES

Today is the last Sunday that the Youth will be selling homemade items. We still have some goodies available. Thank you for your generous support in helping us provide a nice Christmas for our children!

YOUTH CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

Our Youth Group will leave the church at 2:00 p.m. today to go shopping for our Angel Tree Children. We will dine out following our shopping spree.

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Next Sunday, Campbellite Dinner

Christmas Store Begins Collecting Food

This year the event will be held at First Baptist Church. You may bring your items here and leave in the lobby and we will get them to FBC.

December 18, after both worship Services,

Congregational Meeting

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Warrensburg Community Chorus

Presents "On Christmas Night"

Sunday, December 11, at 3:00 p.m.

Community of Christ Church

700 South Mitchell Street, Warrensburg, MO.

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Need Donations

The Food Center is having to buy paper sacks for groceries. They would like to have large cloth tote bags with flat boys donated for the customers.

Deck the Halls

Deck the halls with boughs of holly,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Tis the season to be jolly,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Don we now our gay apparel,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Troll the ancient Yuletide carol,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.

See the blazing Yule before us,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Strike the harp and join the chorus.
Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Follow me in merry measure,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
While I tell of Yuletide treasure,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Fast away the old year passes,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Hail the new, ye lads and lasses,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Sing we joyous, all together,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Christmas brings God's love forever,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.