Count Me In

December 17, 2017

(Register your attendance through the registration pads found in each row)

☐ Attend Worship Dec. 24 7 PM

Name (s)

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Phone #

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E-Mail

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☐ Send me prayer request emails

☐ Send me weekly stewardship emails

(If either box above is checked, please be sure to provide email address)

Westfed Food Pantry: Items needed: crackers, toothpaste & large paper grocery bags. Westfed baskets are located outside the Werner Lounge.

2018 GIVING ENVELOPES are ready for you to pick up. They are on a table in the Narthex. If you do not have envelopes but would like them, please contact Bobbi Ostermeyer at 662-2841 or RAOst@aol.com.

CUMC Preschool is selling LaRosa's Buddy Cards. Cards are $10 each with the Preschool getting $5 back for every card sold. The card is good for 14 deals. Call Paula Long at: 513-389-3060 or see her on Sunday.

New and Fun Look at the Christmas story during the 7 PM Christmas Eve worship. We will be staging an interactive telling of the Christmas story and we'd love to have you join in. Bring family of all ages and friends or strangers. Just come! *Please mark the Count Me In so we know how many seats to set-up.*

Looking For: A Preschool/Elementary Sunday School Teacher. You would only need to teach once a month. If you are interested, please contact Missy Wittich at 295-3897 or email her at moots68@gmail.com

Christmas Wish? Do you have a Christmas wish or prayer? Use the green paper in the pew or friendship pad to jot it down & then drop it in the prayer box on your way out of worship. The Thursday morning prayer group would like to pray for your wishes & concerns. Prayer is a gift we can open or give any day. Don't forget about it during this gift giving season.

Does Your Church Dream Like Jesus?

Leadership Training Day, Saturday, January 27 at Armstrong Chapel. Known for teaching leaders how to bring out the best in the people who frustrate them the most, Rebekah Simon-Peter, developer of the award-winning group coaching program, Creating a Culture of Renewal, helps transform church leaders and the congregations they serve. More info to come.

Activities This Week

Sunday, December 17… Youth's Cookie Sale
9:10 AM Traditional Worship-Sanctuary
10:20 AM Sunday School & Fellowship Time
11:15 AM Contemporary Worship Service-Fellowship Hall
11:15 AM Celebration Bell Practice-Sanctuary
1:00 PM Carry-In Meal for Pastor Kerry's Farewell-Fellowship Hall
4:00 PM Youth Christmas Party-Fellowship Hall

Monday, December 18…
7:00 PM Mercy Group-Community Room

Wednesday, December 20…
10:00 AM Bible Study Werner Lounge
6:40 PM Cherubs-Choir Room
7:00 PM Adult Choir Practice-Fellowship Hall

Thursday, December 21…
7:30 AM Prayer Group-Werner Lounge
7:00 PM Praise Team Practice-Fellowship Hall

Saturday, December 23…
8:00 AM Men's Bible Study–Community Room

Sunday, December 24…
9:10 AM Traditional Worship-Sanctuary
11:15 AM Contemporary Worship Service-Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM Family Christmas Service-Fellowship Hall
10:30 PM Prelude Music-Sanctuary
11:00 PM Candlelight Service-Sanctuary

To schedule an event, contact Juanita Woodburn in the church office or complete the Event Request form on the church website

FLOWERS on the ORGAN: Happy Graduation Jess. Love, Mom, Dad, Brian, & Grandma.

Open Dates:
Dec.: 24; Jan. 14, 21, 28

To order flowers: Contact the church office or email flowers@cheviotumc.com

Cheviot United Methodist Church

December 17, 2017

Welcome! We're glad you're here.
Traditional Worship @ 9:10 a.m.
Sunday School/Fellowship @ 10:20 a.m.
Contemporary Worship @ 11:15 a.m.

"Our Mission is to Make Disciples of Jesus Christ"

Romans 16:25-27

Joy

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Fourth Sunday of Advent (Observed)—December 17, 2017

9:10 a.m. Order of Worship

*Please Stand As Able

Prelude "Fum, Fum, Fum" arr: Gregory Pysh
Celebration Bells / Garry Kremer, guitar

Introit "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" Celebration Bells

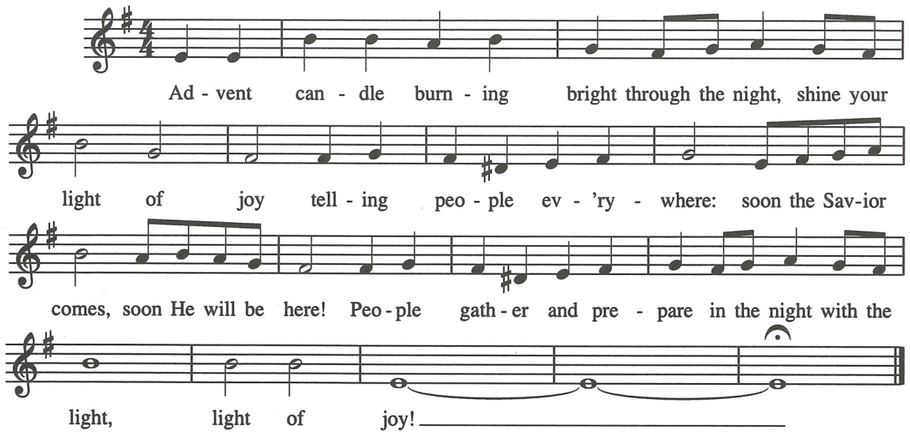
Procession Hymn* "O Come, O Come ,Emmanuel" Red Hymnal #**211**
(verses 1, 7)

Call to Worship* (responsively) Lois Schalk-Hartley
Shout for joy. The Savior is coming!
Sing with gladness. Our darkness will be turned to light.
Let every heart prepare a space. Let every home be made ready.
Let all the hungry be filled. Let all the homeless be sheltered.
For a new day is dawning. The world is being made new!
The Savior is coming. Sing with joy!

Celebration Hymn* "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" Red Hymnal #**224**
(verses 2, 3)

Lighting the Advent Candle Ken & Karen Meiners
Congregational prayer:
Holy God, if we glumly confess today that we cannot feel the joy of your presence among us in Jesus the Messiah, uncover our eyes to see the light of this fourth candle of Advent and pry open our hearts to feel the warmth of its joy. Whatever our circumstances today, O God, may we be filled inexpressibly with the divine joy of your presence. Amen.

Advent carol:



Welcome Kerry Wood
Please sign our registration pads as the ushers pass them out down the center aisle. Pass the pad to the person next to you. Once the pad has reached the other end, return to the center aisle, taking note of the names of those seated with you.

Praying Together Lois Schalk-Hartley
Silent Prayer • Pastoral Prayer • the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name.
Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us, this day, our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us, not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory forever. Amen.

Giving Together
Offertory "Coventry Carole" arr: Howard Helvey

Doxology* Red Hymnal **#94**
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts. Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts. Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer of Dedication* Lois Schalk-Hartley
Dear God and Father of Jesus Christ, we praise you with joyful songs as we anticipate celebrating the birth of your only Son, Jesus. His life is the light of all people. Thank you for opening our eyes and hearts to recognize him as our Savior. May our lives and ministries embody Christ's grace and truth so that our neighbors will find new life in relationship with you. We return a portion of your goodness to us in these tithes and offerings, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Ministry of Music "Worship the Newborn King" arr: Raney
Chancel Choir

Scripture Romans 16:25-27 (NIV)
Now to him who is able to establish you in accordance with my gospel, the message I proclaim about Jesus Christ, in keeping with the revelation of the mystery hidden for long ages past, but now revealed and made known through the prophetic writings by the command of the eternal God, so that all the Gentiles might come to the obedience that comes from faith—to the only wise God be glory forever through Jesus Christ! Amen.

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God**

Message *Christmas Letters: Joy* Kerry Wood

Commitment Hymn* "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Red Hymnal #**89**

Benediction*

Departing Hymn* "Lift High the Cross" Red Hymnal **#159**

Postlude

Prayers & Praises

December 17, 2017

Use this side to submit Prayer requests, comments and questions.

RSVP for church activities and events, or begin receiving church emails, by completing the reverse side.

(Register your attendance through the registration pads during the Ritual of Friendship)

Prayer Requests/Comments
(Please write legibly)

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☐ Share via the Prayer emails
☐ Keep within the pastors only

(Optional)

Name (s)
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Phone #
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E-Mail
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