

#### Prayer Requests/Comments

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☐ Share via the Prayer emails

☐ Keep within the pastors only

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Our office staff is always working to stay up to date in helping our church care for family members and friends who are ill, in the hospital or in need of prayers. If someone you love has been hospitalized, is in need of prayer or has any kind of special need that you would like the church to know about, please call the office at 513-662-2048 or send an e-mail at [office@cheviotumc.com](mailto:office@cheviotumc.com).

Not everyone wants information shared publicly.

We will only announce from the pulpit or send in an e-mail, that you ask to be shared with the entire congregation and are approved by the person involved.

**December 8, 2019**



## **“Almost Christmas” “The 5 Questions of Christmas”**

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## NEW TO CHEVIOT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH?

### Welcome!

We consider it a privilege to have you worship with us,  
And sincerely hope you receive a blessing from today's Service.  
Please stop by the Usher's Station to receive a gift bag.

## THE COUNT ME IN tear-off sheet

The Count Me In is a perforated sheet to register your interest in an activity or to enter a prayer request. This is found on the back page. Tear off this slip and place it in the offering basket (Register your attendance through the green registration pads).

### Our Vision is:

**"TO CONNECT AND SERVE ALL PEOPLE SO THAT LIVES  
ARE TRANSFORMED AND EMPOWERED THROUGH THE  
LOVE OF CHRIST"**

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### Sunday, December 8..

- 9:10 AM Traditional Worship-Sanctuary
- 10:20 AM Bible Studies & Fellowship Time
- 11:15 AM Contemporary Worship Service-Fellowship Hall
- 11:15 AM Bell Practice-Sanctuary
- 6:00 PM Pastor Carrie's Advent Study-Upper Room

### Monday, December 9..

- 1:00 PM Craft Club-Children's Ministries/Crafter's Rm
- 7:00 PM Mercy Group-Community Room
- 7:00 PM Finance Mtg.-Upper Rom

### Tuesday, December 10...

- 2:00 PM Lydia Circle-out of building
- 7:00 PM SPRC Meeting-Community Room

### Wednesday, December 11...

- 5:30 PM Praise Team Practice-Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 PM Cherubs-Children's Ministries/Crafter's Rm
- 6:50 PM Choristers-Children's Ministries/Crafter's Rm
- 7:00 PM Adult Choir-Sanctuary

### Saturday, December 14...

- 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study-Community Room
- 8:00 AM Women's Bible Study-Upper Room
- 10:00 AM Christmas Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary
- 12:00 PM Private Event-Fellowship Hall

### Sunday, December 15...

- 9:10 AM Traditional Worship-Sanctuary
- 10:10 AM Youth Grp. Cookie Sale-Werner Lounge
- 10:20 AM Bible Studies & Fellowship Time
- 11:15 AM Contemporary Worship Service-Fellowship Hall
- 12:30 PM Youth Group Christmas Party-Youth Room and Children's Ministry Room
- 4:30 PM Christmas Musicale-Sanctuary
- 6:00PM Pastor Carrie's Advent Study-Upper Room

## December 8, 2019

Tear off this slip and place it in the offering basket to sign up for an event, or to make a prayer request.  
(Register your attendance through the green registration pads)

### Yes! Count Me In— I plan to participate in the event(s) checked below:

☐ Women-Let's Do Dinner 6 PM  
December 12

☐ Drop and Shop 4:30-7:30 PM  
Dec. 14

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Ages of children & how many of each

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☐ Women To Change Court 11:15 AM  
Dec. 18

☐ Thursdays-To-Gather 6 PM  
Dec. 18

☐ SAM Luncheon 12:30 PM  
Dec. 20

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Send me prayer request emails

☐ Please have the Pastor give me a call

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

## CONNECT WITH US!

If this is your first time attending Cheviot United Methodist Church, WELCOME! We are so glad you are here and we would love to connect with you. Below are ways to get in touch with us.



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# WORSHIP

*December 8, 2019*

*SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT—"ALMOST CHRISTMAS"*

\*Please Stand As Able

*Remember: Bring your Bibles to church!*

## PRELUDE

"Jesu-Noel"

arr: Eleanor Whitsett

## CALL TO WORSHIP\*

Mark Phair

**LEADER:** God of eternal hope, we gather as your people

**PEOPLE:** To be guided in truth, and strengthened in grace

**LEADER:** God of mercy and love, we gather as your people

**PEOPLE:** To be forgiven of wrong and cleansed of guilt

**LEADER:** God of eternal hope, we gather as Your people

**PEOPLE:** To be filled with hope and renewed with joy.

**ALL:** We gather as your people to worship the Light of the world

## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Hannah, Nick & Simeon Cox

## HYMN\*

"Light the Advent Candle"

Black Hymnal #2090

Verse 2

## PRAISE HYMNS\*

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

Red Hymnal #203

## WELCOME

*Please sign our registration pads located at the end of the pew and then pass them 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.*

# GENERAL CHURCH INFO

In the event of inclement weather, the following snow policy will be in effect for Cheviot UMC: If there is a level two or greater snow emergency in our area, all church services will automatically be cancelled. In the absence of a snow emergency, please check your local news stations beginning at 7am for information on church closings. Also, we will post information on our Facebook page and our website at [www.cheviotumc.com](http://www.cheviotumc.com) by 8am. If church services are not cancelled, we still urge you to use caution if conditions are hazardous in your area. Be safe!

## Pray For:

Marge Kugele—Mercy West Hospital

## Flower Dates Available:

Dec. 15, 22, 29; Jan. 5, 12, 19, 26

To order flowers: Contact the church office or email: [flowers@cheviotumc.com](mailto:flowers@cheviotumc.com)

## Sound Systems Back-ups Needed

The Trustees are looking for 4-5 back-up volunteers to learn how to operate the church's sound systems. We will train you. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Dick Becker at: [becker\\_rc@yahoo.com](mailto:becker_rc@yahoo.com) or call: 513.314.6124.

## Come to The Christmas Experience

After the Gathered Meal on Thursday Eve, December 19, Lois Schalk-Hartley will be showing the DVD, "The Christmas Experience". See how the coming of Christ to earth as a baby changes everything. The story of Jesus' Birth will come alive to you in a new way as you watch the DVD. If you want to relax after the meal and have about an hour and fifteen minutes to be inspired and become more aware of what the Christmas Season is all about, plan to join us in the Werner Lounge at 7:15. Hope to see you there!

## GENERAL CHURCH INFO

### Helping The Green Family

In an effort to assist the Green family if so desired, you may buy restaurant gift cards to LaRosa's, Panera, Skyline, or Frisch's. If you would like to prepare food for the family, please be advised there are many food restrictions for Tom. Please contact Linda Page if you are planning to prepare food. cd3704@zoomtown.com or 513.574.1853.

### Christmas Musicale 2019

Please join the Christmas Festival Choir and Orchestra on December 15, 2019 at 4:30pm for an Awesome Christmas Program. You will hear many of your favorite well-loved Christmas songs and you might hear some new favorites too. Make sure to put it on your calendar, so that you don't miss an afternoon of music that will fill you with the spirit of Christmas.

### Thursday-to-Gather

The Hospitality Committee is hosting their Thursdays-To-Gather dinner on Thursday, December 19. The committee will provide Lasagna (both meat and vegetarian), salad and garlic bread. We ask those attending to bring Christmas cookies for the dessert. A donation of \$5 per adult is suggested to offset the cost. Children under 10 are free. This is a great opportunity to invite a friend or neighbor. Mark your calendar! Sign up on the Count Me In sheet.



**Contemporary Christmas Eve Service:** You are invited to bring the whole family to this year's 4:30 PM candlelight celebration of Christmas Eve designed for kids and their parents. This service will be held in the Fellowship Hall and allows plenty of space for strollers, car seats, room for toddlers and activities for children. Let us help you celebrate the birth of Jesus with your kids while you enjoy a deeply moving service of biblical storytelling, Christmas music and a moving Christmas message from Pastor Carrie. The service will conclude with the singing of Silent Night and the lighting of candles. Start or continue a family Eve tradition at CUMC this year. Childcare is available.

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Light Up Christmas

After the children's message this morning, all children ages 2-12 are invited to attend JAM—"Jesus and Me" class with Miss Amanda. Amanda will meet the children at the front of the sanctuary and exit through the Upper Room (former Chapel) Doors. The JAM class will be held in the Children's Ministry/Crafters' room in the classroom wing.

### PRAYER HYMN\*

"The King of Glory Comes"

Black Hymnal #2091

### PRAYING TOGETHER

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.

### MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Beautiful Star"

arr: Keith Christopher

Chancel Choir

### GIVING TOGETHER

#### Offertory

"Prince of Peace"

original song by Greg Goodwin

### MISSION COMMITTEE

Heifer International see announcement-page 13

### Doxology\*

Red Hymnal #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him,  
all creatures here below  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION:**

Mark Phair

We thank you, God for the hope that has come to us through Your Son, Jesus. We thank you for all those who have brought hope to us when it was needed. We thank you for your church that brings hope to the community and the world. And we thank you for reminders, gentle or urgent that we, too should be agents of hope with all people in all places, at all times. We offer these tithes and offerings and ask you to use us as bearers of hope. Amen

**SCRIPTURE**

Isaiah 12:1-6; John 1:1-14 (NIV)

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

**MESSAGE**

The 4 Questions of Christmas - Week #2, What Do You Really Want for Christmas?  
 Pastor Carrie Jena

**COMMITMENT HYMN\***

"Way Maker" (see page 7)

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**BENEDICTION\*****POSTLUDE**

*If you have been blessed by our "Living a 3D Life" 5-Day Devotionals,  
 take a moment and drop Pastor Carrie an e-mail at  
 pastorcarrie123@gmail.com*


**Advent Sundays: December 1, 8, 15, 22**
**Service times: 9:10 AM & 11:15 AM**
**Sundays, December 1-December 22 @ 6 PM:**
**Pastor Carrie's Advent Study**
**Let's Do Dinner:**
**December 12 @ 6:00 PM**
**Drop and Shop:**
**December 14 from 4:30 to 7:30 PM**
**Christmas Musical:**
**December 15 @ 4:30 PM**
**Thursdays-To-Gather Dinner**
**December 19 @ 6:00 PM**
**Traditional Christmas Eve Services:**
**Family-Friendly Service @ 4:30 PM**
**Pre-Service Music @ 10:30 PM**
**Candle Light Service @ 11:00 PM**



## YOUTH / CHILDREN

### Saturday, December 14 from 4:30-7:30 PM

Children Ages 3-years to 6th grade may be dropped off at church while you Christmas Shop, wrap presents, etc.. We provide pizza and a dessert. The children will make a Christmas craft and Beth Gulley will read her book, *The Other Side of Christmas*. You can find out more about Beth at: [btgraphics.com](http://btgraphics.com). Please mark the Count Me In with your name and ages of children attending.



### Youth Group Cookie Sale Fundraiser: December 15th Between Services

This fundraiser supports the youth group's winter retreat that takes place in February. The youth will be baking dozens of delicious cookies for you to fill a box with your favorites. They'll be available for purchase at \$5 a box. We will be in the Werner Lounge. We thank you for your support!



### Youth Group Christmas Party: December 15th—12:30-2 PM

All students in 7th –12th grade are invited! We will have pizza, decorate Christmas ornaments, and have a "White Elephant" exchange. If your youth would like to participate in the gift exchange, please have them bring a gift (an item from around the house or buy a gift for no more than \$5).



## Way Maker

### Verse 1

You are here moving in our midst  
I worship You I worship You  
You are here working in this place  
I worship You I worship You. (2X)

### Chorus

(You are) Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper  
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

### Verse 2

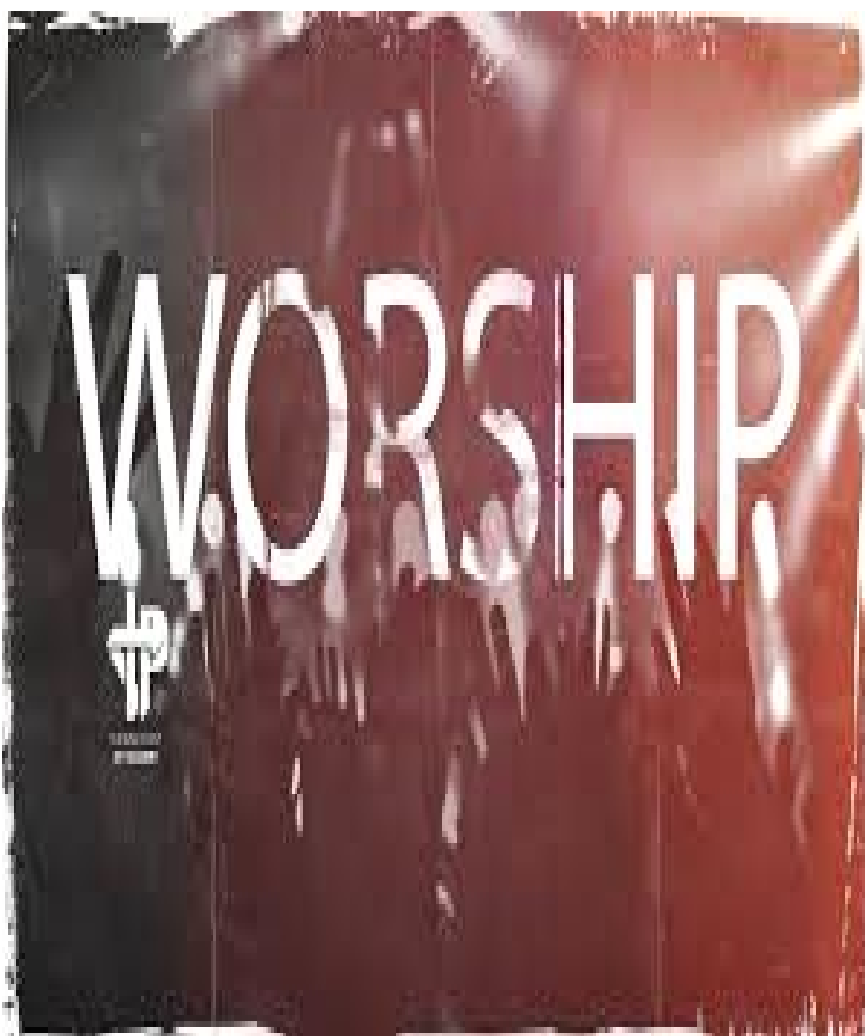
You are here touching ev'ry heart  
I worship You I worship You  
You are here healing ev'ry heart  
I worship You I worship You

### Verse 3

You are here turning lives around  
I worship You I worship You  
You are here mending ev'ry heart  
I worship You yeah I worship You Lord

### Chorus

(You are) Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper  
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are



## Contemporary Worship Service 11:15 AM

## MISSIONS

### Westfed Food Pantry

Items needed: toothpaste, toilet paper, crackers, and large paper grocery bags. Baskets are located next to the Werner Lounge to place your donations.



**The Advent Offering** for this week goes to Heifer International. Your donation to this ministry will help provide animals to families in third world countries. Giving an animal is like giving someone a small business, providing wool, milk, eggs, and more. Animal donations can provide families a hand up, increasing access to medicine, school, food, and sustainable livelihood.

## CURRENT BIBLE STUDIES

### Adult Bible Study:

Every Sunday in the Upper Room at 10:20 AM

### Women's Bible Study:

Every Sunday in the Community Room at 10:20 AM

### Men's Bible Study:

Every Saturday in the Community Room at 8 AM

### Women's Bible Study:

Every other Saturday in the Upper Room at 8 AM

## SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY (S.A.M.)

### SAM-Join us for a Christmas Musical Event

Join us Friday, December 20 at 12:30 for a delicious meal for only \$5. Then join with us as we head to the Sanctuary for a delightful Christmas event. Carol Gangwer and Marcia Lucas will share with us their delightful "Four Hands and One Piano" selections. Along with them will be other "Friends" who will share their songs and music with us. We are in for a special program as we celebrate this Christmas Season and Jesus' Birth. Call the church office to reserve your place or sign the Count Me In.



## WOMEN MINISTRIES

### Let's Do Dinner

December's gathering at 6 PM will be Thursday, Dec. 12, at Giovanni's Family Italian Restaurant located at 4050 North Bend Rd. in Cheviot. For more information and to say YES! I am coming, please call the church office or Shirley Pemberton at 368.8995, or sign up on the Count Me In sheet. Reservations are not required but a good estimate of numbers is a help! Bring a friend with you. You may be surprised who is looking for a church.

**Crafters** will be selling handmade cards for Christmas and other occasions TODAY after 1<sup>st</sup> service, in the Werner Lounge.

**The Lydia Circle** will be going out to the Grand Finale in place of our meeting on Tuesday December 10th. Anyone interested in joining us should contact Linda Schumacher at 245-0898. If you wish to meet at church, please be there by 10:30 am. We will also be exchanging a secret gift worth \$10.00 at the luncheon. Fun will be had by one and all.

### Lydia Circle

Lydia Circle will be collecting socks to give to the Homeless. Please place your donations in the collection basket in the hallway outside the Werner Lounge.

### Women's Ministries To Hamilton County Change Court

We will be observing the Hamilton County Change Court, which is a great way to truly see the program in action. All women are invited to join us. This will take place December 18th. Meet at church at 11:15 AM to carpool. Court ends at 3:30 PM.

December 8, 2019

### 11:15 Contemporary Service

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT—"ALMOST CHRISTMAS"

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**OPENING SONG** Video—Joy, Unspeakable Joy

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Debbie Hauser

### SERMON INTRO

Debbie Hauser

Every journey faces the unknown. And anxiety can sometimes overwhelm us. There is too much to do; our lists are long; our calendars are filled up; we worry that something will go wrong, or we won't end up in the right place or take the right route. Getting lost is a real possibility on a journey. And yet, we claim hope for the journey, because we follow the one who will travel with us and sustain us on the way. Isaiah says that there is one who is to come who will be the fulfillment of all our hope. The Spirit of the Lord will rest on this one, the spirit of wisdom, and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the Light of the world. We place our hope in this One today. We light the candles of peace and hope to give us strength for the journey. (Light two candles on the table)

### SONGS OF PRAISE\*

Angels We Have Heard on High  
Stand in Your Love  
Draw Me Close

### OFFERING

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

### MISSION COMMITTEE

Heifer International see announcement-page 13

### OFFERING PRAYER

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 2:1-5, John 1:1-14 (NIV)

**MESSAGE** The 4 Questions of Christmas - Week #2, What Do You

Really Want For Christmas?

Pastor Carrie Jena

### CLOSING SONG\*

## SERMON NOTES

### How to Find the Hope That Is With Us

- 1.) Find the Light in God's \_\_\_\_\_
- 2.) Find the Light in God's \_\_\_\_\_
- 3.) Find the Light in God's \_\_\_\_\_

## ADVENT DEVOTIONS

### ADVENT 2019 – A DAILY DEVOTIONAL

For your daily devotional, find the verse in your Bible and fill in the blank for a reflection of today's sermon.

**Philippians 3:8-9** "What is more, I consider everything a \_\_\_\_\_ because of the surpassing \_\_\_\_\_ of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have \_\_\_\_\_ all things. I consider them garbage, that I may \_\_\_\_\_ Christ and be found in him, not having a \_\_\_\_\_ of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of \_\_\_\_\_"

**Psalms 27:4** "One thing I ask from the Lord, this only do I \_\_\_\_\_: that I may dwell in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord all the days of my \_\_\_\_\_, to gaze on the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord and to \_\_\_\_\_ him in his temple"

**Psalms 33:5** "The Lord loves \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_; the earth is full of his unfailing \_\_\_\_\_"

**Revelation 1:8** "I am the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_," says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the \_\_\_\_\_"

**Psalms 37:4** "Take \_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord, and he will give you the \_\_\_\_\_ of your \_\_\_\_\_."

*All scripture is taken from the New International Version of the Bible.*