WELCOME to St. Lucas UCC

Transforming lives as the hands and feet of Christ since 1880

9:30 AM Worship December 15, 2024

You are welcome and invited to join our active faith community. No matter where you are on your journey; no matter where your journey began; we want to replenish your spirit, refresh your faith and support you along the way.

Our Mission:

St. Lucas UCC unites Christians in the worship of God and affirms life-long Christian education, faithful discipleship and caring service in God's name.

Our Promise:

St. Lucas UCC members, united in Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, strive to live faithfully, grow spiritually and serve lovingly all of God's creations.



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ORDER OF WORSHIP/JOY

_* All who are able, please stand.

Welcome & Announcements (Hymns from New Century)

Mission Moment

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude

Advent Candle Lighting (Joy)

Leader: God's love colors everything.

People: With our hearts open to love, we see hope shining through.

(Hope candle is lit)

Leader: God's love dwells in everything.

People: When we love, we bring peace to neighbors and those we meet.

(Peace candle is lit)

Leader: From the most difficult of struggles to the most wonderous of delight, God's love flows through everything. **People:** *When we use our hands and feet for love, joy shines through us.*

(Joy candle is lit)

*Musical Response This Little Light of Joy (tune of This Little Light of Mine)

*Call To Worship

Pastor: The Spirit of the Lord is upon us!

People: We are ready to have fun.

Pastor: God calls us to bring good news to those around us. **People: Stories, songs and imagination are gifts from God.** Pastor: God gives comfort to all.

All: There is gladness within our hearts; joy in our souls.



*We Welcome the Holy Spirit All: Breathe upon us, breath of God. May your Holy Spirit bring forth abundant fruit. Amen.

Anthem Why A Baby, Why A Child St. Lucas UCC Choir

Scripture

Isaiah 61:1-4

The Morning Prayer Silent Prayer Pastoral Prayer The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

> 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever! Amen.

LIVE! With Zac & Lizzy

Morning Offering

Invitation to the Offering

All: Join me as we joyfully offer our gifts of time, talents and treasure in thanksgiving to God, our Father.

*The Doxology

All: 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.

*The Unison Prayer of Dedication

All: Receive our gifts, oh Holy One. Use them as you desire, making your grace and majesty known throughout the world. Amen.

*Benediction

*Postlude

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK, DECEMBER 15-22, 2024

<u>Sunday, Dec. 15</u>

<u>Monday, Dec. 16</u>

<u>Tuesday, Dec. 17</u>

10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.

<u>Wednesday, Dec. 18</u>

10:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 19

9:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 20 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, Dec. 21 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 22

9:30 a.m.

Caring Ministry Coffee Hour Opening & Affirming Finance Committee

Memorial Committee Choir Practice Cemetery Board

Preschool Christmas Story & Santa Monthly Staff Meeting

Preschool Christmas Story & Santa

Worship

Worship Church School, age 3—5th Grade Fireside Room Zoom South Narthex Room 19

South Narthex Choir Room Room 19

Sanctuary/Social Hall South Narthex

Sanctuary/Social Hall

Sanctuary

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PRAYER CONCERNS

Mary Ellen Cox, Scott Schmidt, Evelyn Stolz MILITARY

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Michele Ottinger	Director of Children's Ministries & All Church Programming
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	AV Technician
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Debbie Heagle	Administrative Assistant
Denee Bowers	Communications Coordinator
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Charlie Singler	Maintenance Manager