

GUIDELINES FOR RECEIVING THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper, also called Communion or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament: those who have believed the good news, have repented of their sins and are baptized members in good standing in the Lord's Church. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer.

PRAYER OF BELIEF

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHRISTMAS EVE SPECIAL OFFERING



Tonight's retiring offering will go to the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) Relief Fund, which provides assistance to pastors, missionaries and their families who are in emergency situations. You may also give by scanning the QR code.

YEAR END CONTRIBUTIONS

To comply with IRS guidelines for including contributions on your 2025 tax return, checks must postmarked by December 31. Donations brought to the church must be received by Wednesday, December 31, and online contributions made by midnight.



CHECK IN HERE



CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION

DECEMBER 24, 2025

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION
CHRIST CANDLE

Prelude: Sounds of Christmas
Lynn Greenlee, Guitar

Welcome and Announcements
Pastor Josh Desch

Advent Candle Lighting — CHRIST
Brent &Amber Dennison

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Pastor: “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.
People: For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.”
Pastor: “Clap your hands, all peoples!
All: Shout to God with loud songs of joy!”
Luke 2:10-11; Psalm 47:1 (ESV)

ADORATION
*Opening Hymn: “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”
Hymn 133

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE
Prayer of Confession / Assurance of Pardon
Hebrews 9:26b (ESV)

RESPONSE
*Hymn: “Angels We Have Heard on High”
Hymn 132

OFFERTORY
Pastoral Prayer and 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 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.
Pastor Artis Love

Offertory Music
Dr. Robert Jones, Organ

* Congregation, please stand if able.

INSTRUCTION
Scripture: Isaiah 22:22 (ESV)
Message: “The Key to Christmas, the Christmas Key”
Pastor Desch
1. Every House Has a Key

2. Jesus Alone Has, and Is, the Key

3. How to Receive What Jesus Opens

*Nicene Creed
Pastor Eric Walter
We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God of God, Light of Light, true God of true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through Him, all things were made. For us and for our salvation, He came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified; who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church*. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.
*holy catholic and apostolic Church: “The worldwide fellowship of believing people whose Head is Christ”

COMMUNION
THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER
CHARGE AND BLESSING
Lighting of the Candles
Pastor Desch
*Hymn: “Silent Night! Holy Night!”
Hymn 147
Lynn Greenlee, guitar
*Hymn: “Joy to the World”
Hymn 125
*Benediction
Pastor Desch
*Postlude: “Hark! The Heralds Angels Sing”
David Hegarty
“Glory to God”
David Paxton
Dr. Robert Jones, organ