



ST. LUKE'S UMC 2021 ADVENT & CHRISTMAS CALENDAR



**DRAW CLOSE TO THE MANGER AND
LET YOUR SPIRIT BE BORN ANEW**

Now thru November 30:

GIVING TREE: IFCS Adopt a Child

Support Integrated Family Community Services (IFCS) and their Adopt-a-child program. Go online to sponsor gifts for a child.



Sunday November 28:

ADVENT I: The Miracle of HOPE

WORSHIP.....9:00am & 10:30am

(Rev. Michele Kaminsky) The miracle of the manger starts with the angels who tell us "Do not be afraid. You will have a son and you will name him Jesus." Psalm 91:9-12, Luke 1:26-38

TREE LIGHTING SERVICE.....6:30pm

Family service of carols and our impromptu Christmas Pageant! Children (age 2-6th grade) may come early at 5:45pm and pick out a costume and participate in the service (no preparation required) by bringing to life the characters of the Christmas story! Ken Mervine, Sisters of Soul, the Rigolinis and Youth Bells will perform. Enjoy cookies and cider afterwards.

November 28-December 24:

GIVING TREE: More Opportunities

Please consider supporting our Guatemala Mission (milk and construction), the CSE Honduras Music Program, Sedalia Elementary, HAAT Force, Mondays in the Park and Warren Village by gifting a special donation online or taking a tag from our tree in Fellowship Hall.



Wednesday December 1:

WEEKLY ADVENT DEVOTIONS...6:15-7:00pm

for Adults (Chapel) and Children (Sanctuary)

Saturday December 4:

SMILES & SMOCKS.....10:00am-Noon

Painting class. Sign up smilesandsmocks@gmail.com

Sunday December 5:

ADVENT 2: The Miracle of JOY

**SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION/
WORSHIP.....9:00am & 10:30am**

(Rev. Michele Kaminsky) The miracle of the manger draws us back to the holy story behind the Santa story so we can find deep joy throughout the season. Psalm 43:3-5, Luke 1:39-50

BLUE CHRISTMAS.....5:00pm

This service is created for those experiencing grief of all forms, those distanced from loved ones, and those who acknowledge the complex emotions during the holiday season.

Wednesday December 8: WEEKLY ADVENT DEVOTIONS..... 6:15-7:00pm
for Adults (Chapel) and Children (Fellowship Hall)

Saturday December 11: CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY SHOP.....9:00am-1:00pm
Children can shop independently for everyone in the family and delight in the joy of giving! Gifts are \$1-\$10. Little School classes shop Dec. 8-10.

**Sunday December 12: ADVENT 3: The Miracle of LOVE
CHRISTMAS CANTATA.....9:00 & 10:45am**

Pre-registration SIGN UP is required in order to celebrate safely (will also be livestreamed.)*
Enjoy this favorite St. Luke's tradition featuring the Chancel Choir; Soul Purpose Youth Choir; Kidz Prayz Choir; Tintinnabulators Handbell Ensemble and the St. Luke's Orchestra. (No Sunday School)



Wednesday December 15: WEEKLY ADVENT DEVOTIONS..... 6:15-7:00pm
for Adults (Chapel) and Children (Sanctuary)

**Sunday December 19: ADVENT 4: The Miracle of PEACE
CANDY CANE SUNDAY/WORSHIP.....9:00 & 10:30am**

(Rev. Michele Kaminsky) The miracle of the manger brings us back to the peace we have in our hearts so we can live with depth, honesty and fairness. Micah 5:2-5a, Isaiah 11:1-6

CHRISTMAS COOKIE DECORATING..... 10:00am-Noon
All are welcome to join in with Chef Jennifer for this Community Raiser in Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday December 22: WEEKLY ADVENT DEVOTIONS..... 6:15-7:00pm
for Adults (Chapel) and Children (Sanctuary)

Friday December 24: CHRISTMAS EVE: The Miracle of PRESENCE

Pre-registration SIGN UP is required in order to celebrate safely (will also be livestreamed)* The miracle of the manger is that Christ is present with us and that changes everything! Isaiah 9:2,6-7, Matthew 1:18-23



CHILDREN'S..... 1:00 & 3:00pm
(Rev. Liza Stoltz Hanson) Enjoy a family worship experience featuring our Puppet Ministry, Kidz Prayz Children's Choir; Youth Choir and Joyful Noise Youth Handbells.

TRADITIONAL.....5:00 & 7:00pm
(Rev. Michele Kaminsky) Traditional carols and candles service featuring the Chancel Choir; Organ, Brass Ensemble, and Tintinnabulators Handbell Ensemble.

COMMUNION.....9:00pm
(Rev. Michele Kaminsky) Communion service featuring Soloists and Organ.

Saturday December 25: CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK..... 11:00am-1:30pm
Donate new socks and hand warmers at the church by December 24! Contact Sam Leahy for info and to participate downtown at Lincoln Park.

Sunday December 26: WORSHIP.....9:00am ONLY
(Rev. Liza Stoltz Hanson) (Family Worship - No Sunday School) Let the joy of Christmas continue as we celebrate the miracle of the manger with this casual Family Worship - wear your Christmas jammies or festive sweaters!

**Sunday January 2, 2022: NEW YEAR'S SUNDAY
SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION/WORSHIP.....9:00am ONLY**

(Rev. Michele Kaminsky) (Family Worship - No Sunday School) Fresh Faith from Noah and the Flood: God was cleaning things up, giving the world a fresh start. What needs a fresh start in our lives? As we start a new year, what do we want? Mark 1:9-11, A Narrative of Genesis 6-9

**Sunday January 9, 2022: EPIPHANY
WORSHIP & CELEBRATION OF THE KINGS.....9:00 & 10:30am**

(Rev. Michele Kaminsky) The miracle of the manger is that the gifts of the Christ child can continue to provide for us all through our lives so we can always have peace, hope, love and joy. Join us as our 15 ft. tall Magi puppets and their entourage present their gifts to the Christ child. Matthew 2:1-12

*SIGN UP will be available at 10:00am on the preceding Monday at stlukeshr.com