

Welcome!

We're glad

YOU

are here!

We are a community centered in Christ, gathering in love, growing by grace, going forth to serve.



CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

January 2, 2022 • 9:00am
The Second Sunday of Christmastide

OPENING PRAISE

Angels from the Realms of Glory

Welcome & Prayer of Adoration

Light of the World (Sing Hallelujah)

Words/Music: Ed Cash, Scott Cash, Franni Cash, Martin Cash, & Andrew Bergthold, 2020

Prayer of Confession

(silent personal prayers are offered first)

Lord, we come with many hopes for this new year. Hopes and dreams for ourselves and those we love; hopes and dreams for our church, our nation, and our world. But we also bring our fears—fears which often diminish hope. Free us from our fears. Remind us of your perfect love and grace. Help us to believe that we are loved so much that we can trust you with our lives. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness (from Prov. 3, Ps. 9)

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Light of the World (Reprise)

Passing the Peace of Christ

Ministers
The People

Preacher, Communion

Rev. Dr. Jessica Patchett

Communion

Rev. Dr. Sharol Hayner

Children's Sermon

Cindy Melrose

Scripture

Jean-René Watchou

Worship Director Piano, Vocals

Natalie Handley

Acoustic, Vocals Derek Handley

Bass Guitar, Vocals

John Itson

Drums

Bill Cheadle

AV Coordinator

Pat Green

Livestream

Ben McKnight

Slides

Clinton Otte-Ford

Welcome Team

Logan Edwards Louise Wilson Matt Vieth

COMMUNITY

Children's Sermon

Invitation

Musical Offering A Christmas Hallelujah

HEARING THE WORD

Scripture I Kings 3:5-15

Message New Year, New Eyes:

Dreams of New Life

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Sacrament of Communion

As you come forward, please receive a pre-packaged cup of juice and wafer for you to take communion safely outside or at home.

All are welcome at the table.

Winter Snow

Words and Music: Audrey Assad, 2009

Closing Song

Glory (Let There Be Peace)

Words and Music: Chris Stevens, Matt Maher, Rachel Popadic, 2016

Blessing

January Deacon On Call

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Sunday, January 2, 2022 Announcements

Happy New Year!

May God's blessings abound in your life, family, and community. May you know the presence and peace of Christ as you walk daily in faith. May you wisely invest your creativity and gifts in the pursuit of deeper connection with God.

New Year, New Eyes: Dreams of New Life

Join us these five Sundays in January as we explore dreams in scripture and in our lives, in a new year.

The arrival of the Christ-child awakens us to look everywhere for how God is with us. And yet, it's still dark, mid-winter, and much of the world slumbers. God comes to those who slumber and startles them with dreams. Dreams help us see new things. We try to make meaning of these visions, and they often set us on new pathways. In this new year, will we welcome how God is helping us to dream of what could be?

Joining Meeting Next Week

Each month we invite you to a brief meeting at 10am between services, in the Chapel, to learn about joining CPC. No special handshakes or complicated steps. You're welcome to join us!

Stewardship Campaign 2022 Pledge Update

As of the end of December we have received **nearly 99%** of the pledges needed for the 2022 budget! We have much to be thankful for, much to celebrate! This means we will likely be able to include some key "Growth Opportunities" identified by the Commissions.

Join us in gratitude for God's faithfulness, and the CPC congregation's generosity and commitment. If CPC is your church home, we invite you to prayerfully consider and make a pledge. You can still pledge online at **bit.ly/cpc2022**. Thank you!

Small Groups in 2022

A variety of small groups offer community, connection, and spiritual growth. These groups are starting and resuming in January:

- Sundays: Parent Chat
- Tuesdays: Bible Study in Luke (Zoom)
- Wednesdays: Centering Prayer
- Thursdays: Brown Bag Bible Study
- Thursdays: Centering Prayer (every 2 weeks)
- Fridays: Book / Bible Study
- Young Adults
- GatherX

Stay tuned for full details next week, including which groups are inperson, Zoom, or hybrid.

Talk About It! Discussion From Today's Scripture (1 Kings 3:5-15)

- 1) How did God initiate the conversation in Solomon's dream?
- 2) What do you find unusual or surprising about Solomon's request? What character traits does he portray?
- 3) Can you think of leaders today who seem to share Solomon's character traits or mindset? Why or why not?
- 4) What are the conditions God gives, in God's response and promise to Solomon?
- 5) How does Solomon respond to God's promised blessing?