



**St. John's
United Church of Christ
December 26, 2021
First Sunday After Christmas**



[* = Those who are able may stand, L = Leader, P = People and A = All]

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RITUAL OF FELLOWSHIP

***INTROIT** "Emmanuel, Emmanuel" No. 134

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel. God with us,
revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L. Arise! Shine! The light you have been waiting for is here!

P. Darkness has been banished!

L. God's light of hope floods the earth.

P. God's light comes to us all.

L. Holy One, make us ready to journey to the Light,

P. and open our hearts to receive the Light each and every day. Amen.^{MM}

***OPENING HYMN** "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" No. 173

***INVOCATION (In Unison)**

**God of Promise and mysterious Light, be with us this day as we journey in our faith; to meet
your Gift. Give us courage and hope along our way, as your light will continue to glow
brightly in our path, leading us to service and discipleship in Jesus' Name. AMEN.**^{MM}

***GLORIA PATRI** No. 35

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,

As it was in the beginning, is now and every shall be, world with out end. Amen. Amen.

MEMORIAL MOMENT *Patty A. Lowe* *October 31, 1933 -
December 17, 2021*

ESPECIALLY FOR CHILDREN

THE SONG "Away in a Manger" (words below)

(Please join in singing as the children return to their seats.)

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay close by me forever, and love me, I pray.

Bless all the dear children in thy tender care, and fit us for heaven, to live with thee there.

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE CALL TO OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY** No. 46

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

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (In Unison)**

Accept our lives, O God, as well as our gifts. Let the spirit in which we give them be your
Spirit. Let the use that is made of them be your use. Amen.[#]

HYMN "As with Gladness" No. 173

SCRIPTURE Matthew 2:1-23

SERMON "Get Up and Go"

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (In 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.

***THE HYMN** "Go Tell It On the Mountain" No. 170

***COMMISSION AND BENEDICTION**

***THE HYMN** "Go in Peace" No. 445

POSTLUDE

Worship Notes

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Please consider supporting St. John's United Church of Christ so we can continue to do God's work and mission here and throughout the world. Offerings may be placed in the offering plate at the rear of the Sanctuary or delivered to the Church Office in person or by mail.

The Church Board has voted to follow CDC recommendation. Everyone is asked to wear a mask inside the building regardless of vaccination status. Please remember that those who do not feel safe among people in public places are encouraged to remain home and worship virtually.

Worship services will be found on the church website, www.myucc.org, by clicking on the "sermons" tab. And on the church Facebook page, *St. John's United Church of Christ Vincennes*

Many hearts. Many voices. One church.

ST. JOHN'S UCC STAFF and VOLUNTEERS

Pastors	Pastor Dennis Frische-Mouri Pastor Linda Frische-Mouri
Head Usher	Janet Daniels
Organist	DeEtta Welte
Music Director, Pianist	Becky Brockman
Children /Family Ministry Coordinator	Will Meyer
Nursery Attendant	Darcie Bahr
Church Secretary	Angie Robinson
Sound	Jonathan Lange & Bruce Deckard
Projection	Sandra Lange
Church Board President	Mark Lange
Pastoral Search Chair	Sheri Stodghill



Mission Moment for December **LOAVES AND FISHES**

Loaves and Fishes is an outreach program at St. John's United Church of Christ dedicated to serving meals to those who are hungry and need healthy nourishment

It is supported monthly by churches in the community on a rotation basis. Our members generally provide desserts, volunteers and money donations to support meals served.

December 16 is the next Loaves and Fishes meal to be served by St. John's UCC. The outreach is utilized by multiple individuals. Ish and Hope Clausman are our resource persons for St. John's UCC.. Donations can be made to **Loaves and Fishes Benevolent giving** through church offering or a designation contribution mailed to church office.



The Christmas decorations around the church will be taken down on Jan. 9th with the exception of the trees. Those who are able, please plan to stay immediately following worship service to assist. The task should not take long if there are enough helpers. Thank you in advance..... the Music & Worship Committee.



THIS WEEK in the Life of St. John's UCC

Virtual Worship Service is still available on the church website, myucc.org

Worship Services are also "Live Streamed" on the Church's FACEBOOK page



SUNDAY, Dec. 26
 Sunday School 9:15am
 Worship 10:30am
 Children Church
 Special Sunday

MONDAY, Dec. 27
 BABE Store 12-4:30pm

TUESDAY, Dec. 28
 KFC Youth Group Work Day— Isaiah

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 29
 NO Choir 7pm
 Laundry Love 6-8pm

FRIDAY, Dec. 31
 New Years Eve
 Office Closed

SATURDAY, Jan. 1
 Happy New Year
Looking Ahead
SUNDAY, Jan. 2
 Sunday School 9:15am
 Worship 10:30am
 Children Church
 Pastor Steve Moore will be covering

MONDAY, Jan. 3
 BABE Store 12-4:30pm

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 4
 Choir 7pm

SATURDAY, Jan. 8
 Youth Group family Game Night



Make sure to check out the St. John's UCC Facebook page! We are posting events, and updates regularly .