



# CORNERSTONE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**December 11, 2022**  
**10:30am Sunday Service**

## **THE GATHERING**

### **Welcome and Opportunities for Ministry**

#### **Prelude**

#### **Call To Worship**

**One:** With all my heart I glorify the Lord! In the depths of who I am I rejoice in God my Savior. He has looked with favor on the low status of his servant. Look! From now on, everyone will consider me highly favored because the mighty one has done great things for me. Holy is his name.

**All:** **He shows mercy to everyone, from one generation to the next, who honors him as God.**

**One:** He has shown strength with his arm. He has scattered those with arrogant thoughts and proud inclinations. He has pulled the powerful down from their thrones and lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty-handed. He has come to the aid of his servant Israel, remembering his mercy,

**All:** **Just as he promised to our ancestors, to Abraham and to Abraham's descendants forever.**

**Opening Song** It Came Upon the Midnight Clear UMH 218

## Lighting Of The Third Advent Candle: "Joy"

The Third Advent Candle is symbolized in pink. It is often referred to as the Shepherd's Candle as it is seen as having the joy of a shepherd caring for the sheep. It reminds us of the joy the world experiences knowing how Jesus was born to bring sacred peace to the people of God. Let this joy fill our hearts.

**Congregation: This joy is deep within that embodies the human soul. It's a joy that comes from knowing the Comforter of Life has given it. Let this joy be passed along. Amen.**

## KNOWING GOD

### Children's Time

**There's a Song in the Air** CUMC Choir, Narrated by Lori Reynolds  
The Song from Afar  
The Wonderful Birth  
And We Echo the Song  
There's a Star in the Sky  
We Rejoice in the Light

**Scripture** Matthew 11:2-11  
**Sermon** Are You the One?  
Rick Hawkins

**Response** O Come All Ye Faithful UMH 234

## LOVING GOD

### Joys and Concerns

### Prayer of the People

### Offering

**Offertory** Celebrate God's Love

## SERVING GOD

**Closing Song** Good Christian Friends, Rejoice UMH 224

### Benediction

## Worshiping with us Online:

1. Go to our YouTube Channel:

[www.YouTube.com/CUMCGarland](http://www.YouTube.com/CUMCGarland)

2. Send Joys and Concerns as a comment on the YouTube or Facebook Live chat section

3. Give online at:

<https://onrealm.org/CUMCGarland/-/give/now>

or Text to give:

[Text CUMCGARLAND with the dollar amount to 73256](#)



Let your financial gifts be a challenge to give out of your resources for spiritual reasons. Give out of joy and thanksgiving. Please know that every gift from our members and non-members is sincerely appreciated.

# Announcements

**Christmas Eve  
Worship Service**  
Saturday,  
December 24  
7:00 p.m.

**Christmas Sunday  
Worship Service**  
December 25  
10:30 a.m.

**Friday morning  
Women's Bible Study**  
9:30 am

**Women's Bible Fellowship  
on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.**



COVID-19 Resources

<https://ntcumc.org/coronavirus-resources>

**Women's Christmas Party**  
**Tuesday, Dec. 13**  
**6:30 pm**  
**Bring your favorite salad**

## **CUMC Staff**

**Rev. Rick Hawkins**  
**Rev. Lois Cooper**  
**Anna England**  
**Aaron Fryklund**

**Chris Rickett**  
**Tom Watson**  
**Melissa Mobilia**

**Pastor**  
**Pastor Emeritus**  
**CCLC Director**  
**Minister of Music**  
**and Worship**  
**Admin Coord/Tech**  
**Accompanist**  
**Violinist**

**It Came upon the Midnight Clear UMH 218**

It came upon the midnight clear,  
that glorious song of old,  
from angels bending near the earth  
to touch their harps of gold:  
"Peace on the earth, good will to men,  
from heaven's all-gracious King."  
The world in solemn stillness lay,  
to hear the angels sing.

For lo! the days are hastening on,  
by prophet seen of old,  
when with the ever-circling years  
shall come the time foretold  
when peace shall over all the earth  
its ancient splendors fling,  
and the whole world send back the song  
which now the angels sing.

**Good Christian Friends, Rejoice UMH 224**

Good Christian friends, rejoice  
with heart and soul and voice;  
give ye heed to what we say:  
News, news!  
Jesus Christ is born today!  
Ox and ass before him bow,  
and he is in the manger now.  
Christ is born today,  
Christ is born today!

**Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming UMH 234**

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem.  
Come and behold him, born the King of angels;

Refrain:

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning,  
Jesus, to thee be all glory given.

Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:

[Refrain}

Good Christian friends, rejoice,  
with heart and soul and voice;  
now ye need not fear the grave:  
News, news!  
Jesus Christ was born to save!  
Calls you one and calls you all  
to gain his everlasting hall.  
Christ was born to save,  
Christ was born to save!