



# FIRST LIGHT

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## Advent & Christmas Worship Schedule

The holidays bring a flurry of activity in the life of the church. Below is a comprehensive list of all special services and changes to the normal worship schedule during the season.



**December 11<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m.** - JAM Children's Christmas Program in the sanctuary. This event will **NOT** be live streamed.

**December 18<sup>th</sup>:** **NO** 8:15 a.m. or 9:30 a.m. worship services. Cantata worship services will be held at 10:45 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. **NO** JAM Children's Church or nursery this day. The Cantata will **NOT** be live streamed.

**December 24<sup>th</sup>:** Christmas Eve services will be held in the sanctuary at 3:30 p.m. (family oriented) and 8:00 p.m. The 8:00 p.m. service will be live streamed.

**December 25<sup>th</sup>:** One combined Christmas Day service will be held in the sanctuary at 10:00 a.m. This service will **NOT** be live streamed. **NO** JAM Children's Church or nursery this day.

**January 1<sup>st</sup>:** All three Sunday morning worship services will be held at their normal times and locations. **NO** JAM Children's Church or nursery this day.

### Reminders:

--**Touch-A-Heart:** Tags are now available on the Connection Tables. Gifts are due **December 18<sup>th</sup>**. You may also donate monetary gifts for this ministry. Contact Candy Winters with questions 570-546-3963.

-We are collecting new, unwrapped toys for **Toys For Tots** until December 11<sup>th</sup>. The collection bin is located under the coat rack outside the Living Water Café.

-The JAM Ministry is looking for more volunteers to help in the nursery during the 10:30-11:45 time slot. Contact JAM at [jam@firstumcmuncy.org](mailto:jam@firstumcmuncy.org) or call the church office to volunteer.

-Sign up on the Connection Tables by December 4<sup>th</sup> to receive a copy of the **2023 "Disciplines"** daily devotional. The suggested donation for these books is \$12.

-The **2023 Altar Flower Sponsor** sheet is in the Welcome Center.



The Eaken Piano Trio concert, which was scheduled for December 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary has been canceled due to illness with one of its members. We will make an announcement if and when this concert is rescheduled. If you invited anyone, please pass along this information.

# Mission Presentation

Ardene Judd's daughter, Judy Hollinger and her husband, Bryan, are scheduled to go on a mission trip to Guatemala in April 2023. They will hold an information session and discussion about the trip in the Living Water Café on Saturday, December 17 from 1:30-2:30. Anyone interested in learning about their trip or how to support them is welcome to attend.

## Nuts for Sale



Did you miss out on ordering nuts for the holidays? Fear not! There are still some for sale. They will be available on Sunday morning in the Welcome Center.



## Touch-A-Heart Update

The Touch-A-Heart ministry is underway. There are still tags available, especially for seniors. You can pick up tags on Sunday morning at the Connection Tables. All gifts are due back by December 18<sup>th</sup> and can be dropped off in the Welcome Center.

## Christmas Gathering & Meal

Is your family far away? Are you celebrating with them at a time other than Christmas day? Do you find yourself looking for fellowship opportunities for Christmas day? A small group of church members is offering a gathering time and meal for individuals or couples who would otherwise be alone on Christmas day. The gathering will take place immediately following the 10:00 a.m. worship service (approximately 11:00 a.m.). The location of the gathering will depend on attendance but will most likely be in the Living Water Café. If you are interested in attending, please contact the church office at 570-546-8030 or [office@firstumcmuncy.org](mailto:office@firstumcmuncy.org) or contact Elaine Duckworth at 570-584-2234. The deadline is December 15<sup>th</sup>.

