

9:20 AM *Worship Service*
DECEMBER 4, 2011

2nd Sunday of Advent

*Please Stand As Able

CHRISTMAS "WORSHIP WARMUP"

"A Soldier's King"

Solo: Heather Roush

"What Can I Give Him" Mark Hayes

Duet: Jennifer Araya/Suzanne Powell

WELCOME & FELLOWSHIP

NEWS OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE

"Carol of the Bells"

Youth Bells

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, let us be about our preparations for a new advent of love among us.

People: The wastelands of life around us cannot shut out the promise of life giving water.

Leader: Hatred and warfare, injustice and suffering, are not the last word, for they are not of God.

People: We hear again the promise of peace, coming in the one who lived shalom among all people.

Leader: We see again the light God promises in the mist of our darkness.

People: We are feeling again the joy that comes through partnership in the sharing the good news of Jesus' birth.

Leader: May our worship remind us of what is central in life – our love for

God and His Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ – and our love for one another.

People: We come to embrace the new advent, to be renewed in faith, hope, and love.

* SINGING TOGETHER "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" #203 (Red Hymnal)

"Emmanuel, Emmanuel" (Repeat) #204 (Red Hymnal)

* OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

Gracious God, we hear the promise of the coming of Jesus into a manger and into our hearts and homes. Bless our Advent waiting; fill our worship with anticipation of Your love; and dedicate us to prepare Your way by lifting up the valleys in our lives and making smooth the rough places of others. For we pray in the name of Emmanuel – God with us. Amen.

* PRAYER RESPONSE

"O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,

O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord."

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Emmanuel Will Come"

Youth Choir

* DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

This is a season of giving, O Lord. Many of us will be in the spirit of giving and will give a great deal to persons and causes around us. And yet, if we do not give ourselves to You, our gifts are empty and void of meaning. Help us

now, as we gather around the table that represents Your ultimate gift to us, to open our lives to You, and worship You fully, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Wondering" Jane Marshall

HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation (Pastor)

Christ our Lord invites to His table all who love Him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. You do not have to be a member of CUMC to participate in the Lord's Supper. How can we stand in the presence of God? Let us confess those places where we need to grow to prepare for Christ to come into our lives.

Prayer of Confession (In Unison)

God of the loving heart, we confess before You those places in our hearts where we have refused You entrance; people we have refused to love; habits we never get around to changing; good things we have left undone; and ways in which we hurt You, ourselves, and others. Come to us in the light of Your Son. Shine on those places we have hidden from You. Show us new ways to live. Sweep clean the rooms of our hearts, that Jesus may find a home among us. Be known among us now and forever! Amen

Assurance of Forgiveness (In Unison)

This is the Good News we have in Jesus Christ. We can stand before God, not through our own goodness, but through God's great kindness to us. Let us rejoice and be glad, for God comes to each of us in Jesus Christ. Praise His name!

Breaking the Bread and Lifting the Cup

Sharing in the Lord's Supper

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 26:8; Galatians 4:4-7 (NASB)

"Indeed, while following the way of Your judgments O Lord, we have waited for You eagerly; Your name, even Your memory, is the desire of our souls."

"But when the fullness of time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons and daughters. Because you are sons and daughters, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" Therefore, you are no longer a slave, but a son, a daughter; and if a son, a daughter, then an heir through God."

The Word of God for the People of God

THANKS BE TO GOD

SERIES: "THE ULTIMATE GIFT"

(Christmas Carols – The Message in the Music)

"The Long-Awaited Gift"

SERMON

Craig Jones, Senior Pastor

* SINGING TOGETHER

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" #196 (Red Hymnal)

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

The FLOWERS on the ALTAR: In Honor of Charlie's Birthday. Sue Edmisten.

OPEN DATES FOR CHURCH FLOWERS

December 11, 18, *25; January 8, 15, 22, 29

Contact Jenn Daum to place flower orders:

CUMCFlowers@aol.com or 574-2374 or 259-1730

*Dec. 25 & Jan. 1 will be one Service at 10:20 AM.

11:20 AM

Worship Service

Welcome and News

of the Church

Today's Worship Songs

"Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord"

"What Child is This"

"Star Child"

"Psalm 19"

"Sanctuary"

Lighting Of The Advent Wreath

Celebrating Communion

"Come to the Table"

Scripture Lesson

Isaiah 26:8; Galatians 4:4-7 (NASB)

Message

"The Long-Awaited Gift"

Craig Jones, Senior Pastor

Sent to Serve

"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

The FLOWERS on the TABLE: Thank you, Amy Morand for the leadership you provided for the 2nd Annual Cheviot Christmas Celebration. Thank you for your caring, planning & attention to details. We love you! Cheryl, Debbie, Mary & Cathy.

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1st Service dates also available.

☞ **Children Bulletins** are available. Please ask an usher for one.

THOSE SERVING YOU:

Senior Pastor: Craig D. Jones

Associate Pastor: Lois Schalk-Hartley

Organist/Choir Director: Carol Gangwer

Pianist/Bell Director: Marcia Lucas

Praise Team Director: Amy Morand

Youth Leaders: Cathy Davis/

Becky Grosse

Church Secretary: Juanita Woodburn

Facility Coordinator: Lynn Krebs

Ministers: CUMC Family

Tear off here: ✂

Phone # _____

E-Mail _____

Would like to receive prayer requests online _____

Check all that apply:

☐ Tuesdays 7 AM

Prayer Time in Chapel

☐ Dec. 11 6:30 PM

The Star of Bethlehem

☐ Dec. 16 12:30 PM

S.A.M. Luncheon

☐ Dec. 18 4:30 PM

Festival Choir & Orchestra's Cantata

COUNT ME IN SHEET

Please SIGN, Tear Off and Place In

Offering Plate

FOR ATTENDANCE COUNT

December 4, 2011

Check All That Apply:

☐ 9:20 AM Service

☐ 11:20 AM Service

☐ Member

☐ Nonmember (Regular Attender)

☐ Visitor

☐ Wish To Join Church

Name(s) _____

Address _____