

## Offering Link



#### **Action Required: Help Us Map Our Ministries**

Tammy is currently working on a vital project to create a comprehensive, up-to-date list of every active group within our community. This will help improve communication, coordinate efforts, and ensure no ministry is overlooked.

Please take a moment to contact Tammy with your group's information. hoffmans2750@gmail.com



We have the 2026 Offering Envelopes in the outer narthex under the TV. If you can't find yours, please contact either Phil Starr or Jack Senn.

#### **UCHRISTMAS ≐**FUND

# December 21

Today is the day we will collect the offering for the Christmas Fund! if you have any questions please contact Dale Angerman

### This Week at Trinity

Breakfast Program 8:30a-9:30a Monday - Friday

### **Monday, December 22**

7pm AA Group

#### **Tuesday, December 23**

12pm "Voices of Advent" Book Study

### Wednesday, December 24

4:30-7pm C.A.T 5pm Christmas Eve Service 6:30pm AA Group

### **Thursday, December 25**

OFFICE CLOSED

7pm NA Group

### Friday, December 26

11am Knit, Pray and Crochet 7-9pm Fellowship Friday Game Night

## Saturday, December 27 Sunday, December 28

## 9am Sunday School for Adults

9:15am Sunday School Fourth Sunday of Advent 10:30am Worship Service

Please Sign up to serve on Sunday morning! Usher, greet, provide coffee hour, or be a reader. If you sign up for altar flowers, please let the office know if the flowers are given for a special celebration in honor or in memory of someone so that it may be included in the bulletin.

# Trinity United Church of Christ



**December 21, 2025** - 10:30am Rev. Dr. Kevan Franklin We extend a warm welcome to all who have come to worship today. The \* is to stand. The bold print is Unison.

If you or someone you know is in need of pastoral care or prayer support, please reach out to the church office. Whether you're facing a difficult time or simply need someone to talk to, we're here to offer care, comfort, and prayer.

Prayers needed: Home; Ayden Varno

Wavne County Care Center: Bob Chizmadia

**Danbury:** Irene Winner, Dot Blum, Lucy Baus

**Westview Manor**: Janet Landers, Becky

Grindstaff

**Brookdale:** Lois Wagner

Ravines at Taylor: Joanne Orr

# church staff

Rev. Dr. Kevan Franklin, Senior Minister

Suzanne Feltner, Faith Formation and Arts Director

Luke Tegtmeier, Organist

Phil Starr/Jack Senn Business Managers

**Ioi Griffith.** Administrative Assistant

Connie Plant/Larry Keiner, Custodian

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Layreader: Jodi Kirk

Advent: "God's Promise Born" after **Worship in Fellowship Hall** 

#### Dates for your Calendar:

December 23 - Voices of Advent 12p

December 24 - Christmas Eve Service

December 25 - Office Closed

December 26 - Fellowship Friday

Game Night 7-9p

December 28 - Sunday School for

Adults 9-10a

December 28 - Sunday School 9:15-

10:15a



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Prelude: Biery - Veni Emmanuel

Prayers of the people

Welcome and Announcements/ Share the Good News, and Joys

Reception of New Members

\*Call to Worship

One: To love is the greatest gift bestowed upon us. It is a surrender to God's holy power.

Many: God loves us, despite all our mistakes, so we pray for the patience of hope!

One: To be loved by God is the right of every living thing. This love is the sun and the rain, it is the beginning and end of all.

Many: God loves us even when we neglect our neighbors, so we pray for the strength to bring peace.

One: God's love is always a promise and a responsibility, and we are given this love freely.

Many: God loves us in the midst of destruction and despair, so we pray to share a vision of joy.

One: Love is a sacred vow God has made to us, a rainbow in the sky, a baby in the manger.

Many: God loves us just as we are, and we give thanks and whisper amen.

Emmanuel, we come today with arms wide open, ready to meet your precious son. Your love for us is so full that you sent a fragile babe to share your holy word, knowing that he would face human pain. Open us, God! Prepare us for his coming, that we may be messengers of your abundant love, and act to ease the suffering of all.

\*Opening Hymn: NCH#151"Twas in the Moon of Wintertime"

Advent Candle Lighting (See Insert)

Silent, Pastoral and Lord's Prayer

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.

Hymn: NCH#121"Toda La Tierra (All Earth is Waiting)"

Invitation to Generosity

This is a week when we often feel the disparity between the haves and the have nots. Many will go into debt striving for a perfect holiday, while others cannot even imagine the ability to have such a day. God has told us many times and, in many ways, where love flows from – it comes from the hand we extend when we have enough and even when we do not. Let us bring forth the true joy of this season and give as much as we are able.

Hymn: NCH#116 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" Stanzas 1,6 and 7

Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving

Love and Light of the world, we give you thanks for these gifts. We give you thanks for the privilege of generosity. We give you thanks for the ability to share your divine love in a tangible form with our siblings around the world. Help us to remember, as we await Christ's birth, to give more generously than we receive, knowing we will always be rich in your abundant love. Amen.

Message: Christmas Stories about Jesus' Arrival

\*Benediction

Let us go out into the world with the extravagance of God's love in our hearts! Let us savor the moments of joy, whether from the excitement of the season or the peace of a deeply feeling spirit. We are messengers of hope in a waiting world. Amen

Postlude: Webber - Helmsley

After Worship Today

Barn Service 4PM Reed's Barn