Oak Creek Community United Methodist Church
Welcome Home

November 29th, 2026 9:00 am

**PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE*

No matter where you are on your faith journey, you are always welcome at OCCUMC and, most importantly, at God's Table.

Welcome & Opportunities for Service

Opening Prayer

*Opening Song

People Look East **UMH #202**

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Lighting the Advent Candle of Hope



Light the Advent Candle **FWS #2090 Verse #1**

Words & Music: Mary Lu Walker, ©1975 Mary Lu Walker

Welcome New Members

Lifting Our Prayers & The Lord's Prayer

Please pray in the language that brings you closest to God.

Special Music Patti Wrobel

Star-Child

Words: Shirley Erena Murray; Music: Carlton R. Young; © 1994 Hope Publishing Co.

Scripture

Mark 1:1-11 CEB

Beginning of good news

1 The beginning of the good news about Jesus Christ,
God's Son, 2 happened just as it was written about in the
prophecy of Isaiah: *Look, I am sending my messenger
before you. He will prepare your way,* 3 *a voice shouting
in the wilderness: "Prepare the way for the Lord; make
his paths straight."*

John's preaching

4 John the Baptist was in the wilderness calling for
people to be baptized to show that they were changing
their hearts and lives and wanted God to forgive their
sins. 5 Everyone in Judea and all the people of Jerusalem
went out to the Jordan River and were being baptized by
John as they confessed their sins. 6 John wore clothes
made of camel's hair, with a leather belt around his
waist. He ate locusts and wild honey. 7 He announced,
*"One stronger than I am is coming after me. I'm not even
worthy to bend over and loosen the strap of his sandals.
8 I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with
the Holy Spirit."*

Jesus is baptized and tempted

9 About that time, Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee,
and John baptized him in the Jordan River. 10 While he
was coming up out of the water, Jesus saw heaven
splitting open and the Spirit, like a dove, coming down
on him. 11 And there was a voice from heaven: *"You are
my Son, whom I dearly love; in you I find happiness."*

L: May God add a blessing to the reading, hearing & understanding of these words.

R: Thanks be to God.

Sunday Schoolers: please find your teacher and head to class!

*Song of Preparation

Open My Eyes, That I May See **UMH #454**

Words & Music: Clara H. Scott, 1895

Message

Advent at Home: Christmas at Mark's House

Opportunity to Give

*Closing Song

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus **UMH #196**

Words: Charles Wesley, 1744; Music: Rowland H. Prichard, 1830; Harm from *The English Hymnal*, 1906

Benediction

Pastor: Our worship has ended.

Congregation: And our service now begins.



Sunday	**November 29, 2026**
9:00 am	Worship
9:20 am	Children's Sunday School
10:00 am	Advent Book Study
Monday	**November 30, 2026**
7:00 pm	AA Meeting
Tuesday	**December 1, 2026**
4:00 pm	Merry Mat Makers
Wednesday	**December 2, 2026**
7:00 pm	Choir
7:00 pm	AA Meeting
Thursday	**December 3, 2026**
Friday	**December 4, 2026**
Saturday	**December 5, 2026**
10:30 am	Community Christmas Caroling
2:00 pm	Puzzle Social
Sunday	**December 6, 2026**
9:00 am	Worship
10:00 am	Advent Book Study
10:00 am	Adult Sunday School
10:30 am	Charge Conference
11:30 am	Blue Christmas Service
4:15 pm	See Spot Play

OCCUMC Staff:

Ministers	All Who Hear the Message
Appointed Clergy	Rev. Heidi L
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Nursery Care Support	Heather P
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Organist	Todd A
Preschool Director	Stephanie P

Thanks for Assisting in Worship:

Connection Center	Carrol F
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Greeters	Georgia & Mike P
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Sunday School Teachers	Liz I & Debbie S
Usher	Michelle G
Worship Leader	Liz I

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Oak Creek Community United Methodist Church is a Christian fellowship whose mission is to: worship God, love and serve all people, grow in faith, and invite others to become disciples of Jesus Christ.