

CELEBRATE!

4th Sunday of Advent - Today
Shirl Criss - Today
Megan McMaster - Today
Madigan Bendersmith - December 20
Christmas Eve - December 24
Christmas Day - December 25
Nathan Shannon - December 25

If we don't have your special days, please let us know.

Get Connected!

If you have a prayer request to write down, write it on the back of our "Get Connected" cards - found on the table in front of the bulletins and on tables with Bibles in the Sanctuary. Then drop it off at the front desk. You may also email the CGCC secretary by early Monday morning for inclusion in the Joys & Concerns email, or anytime to have a prayer request sent out.

Children's Sunday Morning Programs

Available during Worship.

Nursery Care: Newborn-3 in Nursery, Collide Kids Jr.: Ages 3-6 in Sprouts Room, Collide Kids Church: Grades 1-4 in Activity Room
Worship, a lesson, crafts, games, and other ways to grow in Jesus.

Offerings

If your donation is for a specific area of ministry, please indicate this on check memo line or envelope. Contributions so noted will be recorded for your tax records. Offering envelopes may be found on table near Sanctuary doors. (Goodness Grows contributions are made out directly to GG.)
Everything in the heavens and earth is yours, O Lord. - 1 Chronicles 29:11

Ongoing Coat, Clothing, & More Collection

Spread the word - we collect items year-round to help others!
Please drop them off in the donation barrel.
All clean & useable donations appreciated.

Bulletin Board

Please see the bulletin board for additional information - upcoming events, sign-up sheets, and more!

Goodness Grows



For information on our Non-Profit Mission Project, go to: www.goodnessgrows4all.org

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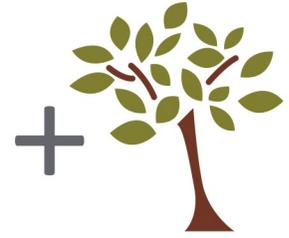
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SERVING TOGETHER

December 19, 2021



4th Sunday of Advent

Welcome to Common Ground!

Seeking to reflect the unconditional love of God,
our mission is to help people connect -
to God, to one another,
and to God's purpose for the world.

We pray that you experience
a sense of connection today -
to God, His people, and His world.

Come Grow With Us!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

On the Calendar: December 19-26, 2021

Today, 11am ~ Worship & Collide Ministries
Monday-Thursday, 8:30am-2:30pm ~ GG at Work
Thursday, 6:30pm ~ Praise Team
Friday, 3:30pm ~ Christmas Eve Service
Sunday, 9:30am ~ Bible Study

Advent Sermon Series ~ A Crimson Christmas

We would never be able to celebrate Christmas without Christ and the Cross. Join us this Advent for a sermon series that will keep *Christ in your Christmas!*

Sunday Morning Bible Study ~ 9:30am

Pilgrim's Progress Book 2: Christiana's Story

Ladies Bible Study ~ Fridays, 9am

Resumes January 7, 2022.

Wednesday Morning Prayer Group

Will resume on January 5, 2022, location TBD.

LifeGroups

Young LifeGroup: Resumes in January
Weimer LifeGroup: Resumes January 4, 2022
Hileman LifeGroup: Resumes in February
Bartholomew LifeGroup: Resumes in January

Christmas Caroling

Thanks for making this a very special event last Sunday!

Christmas Eve Worship

December 24, 3:30pm

Invite your family & friends to this candlelight service.

We look forward to celebrating our Savior's birth with a special message, lighting the Christ candle, Christmas songs, and more.

Poinsettias In Loving Memory & In Honor

The flowers in our Sanctuary represent some of our special loved ones. If you ordered a poinsettia, please take it home after Christmas Eve Worship.

In the Great Room

* *Directory Info* - Please proofread if you haven't yet and let us know if any changes are needed. Thanks!

* *Christmas Card Box* - Drop cards for church family in box near front door. We'll sort them into family file folders on desk Monday. Many files have cards in them now. Don't forget to check yours!

(Aren't listed on the Directory? Don't have a family file folder? Please turn in your contact info. Thanks!)

2021 Year-End Contributions

To be included in 2021, contributions need to be received or postmarked by 12/31/2021. Thank you for the generous support throughout the year!

Rock Kidz Uganda, Inc. ~ rockkidzuganda.org

Sponsors needed to help children in Masaka. Talk to Marilee about how you can get involved.

Goodness Grows ~ goodnessgrows4all.org

GG has jam, apple butter, catnip toys, & herbs. 8oz. jars, lids, and rings are needed once again if you would like to donate to our program.

WORSHIP

11:00am

Pastor Mike Hileman

Good Morning and Welcome

Announcements

Lighting of the Advent Candle ~ Love

Pat, Jen, Kelly, Audrey, & Nathan Shannon
John 3:16-17; John 13:34-35

Songs of Worship

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen
Angels We Have Heard On High
O Little Town (Emmanuel Has Come)

Prayer

Scripture

Isaiah 1:18-20

Message

A Crimson Christmas
The Right Decision

Closing Song

Midnight Clear (Love Song)

Joys and Concerns

The 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, the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.

Benediction

Have a blessed week, and may you leave with a sense of God's Grace and the knowledge of your responsibility to His World!

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### **Offering Our Gifts & Our Lives**

(Offering Boxes Available)

You are invited to express your gratitude to God and commitment to God's purposes through offerings and spiritual gifts. *All of you together are Christ's body, and each of you is a part of it.*  
1 Corinthians 12:27