

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

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## Serving Today

<b>WORSHIP LEADER</b>	Debbie Braden	
<b>ELDERS</b>	8:00 service	Pat Kennedy & Barry Rawson
	10:30 service	Mark Gustafson & Jane Stout
<b>WELCOME MINISTRY GREETERS</b>	8:00 service	Kayla & John Zimmerer
	10:30 service	Pete & Maggie Hershberger
<b>SERVING COMMUNION</b>	8:00 service	Ethan Rawson & Sheryl Rawson, John & Kayla Zimmerer
	10:30 service	Debbie Braden, John Fravel, Debi & Rick Howland, Randy Hudson, Julie Kastner, Tom Way, Sue Wohlford
<b>PREPARING COMMUNION</b>	8:00 service	Donna Hutchins, Ruby Sutton
	10:30 service	Bill & Carol Ewing, Bell Kersten, Peggy Keil, Martha Rockwood, Sandy Spahr

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## December 13, 2009

### Third Sunday of Advent

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### THE COMMUNITY COMES TOGETHER

**Prelude** (8:00) *O Holy Night* Adam  
 (10:30) *Noel* Daquia  
**Lighting The Advent Candle**  
*When God Is A Child* Stanza 2 #132  
 (8:00) Pat Kennedy & Barry Rawson  
 (10:30) Mark Gustafson & Jane Stout  
**Call to Worship** Debbie Braden  
**Hymn of Praise** (8:00) *O Come, All Ye Faithful* #148 (1,2,4)  
 (10:30) *It Came Upon A Midnight Clear* Fusion  
**Invocation** Debbie Braden  
**Passing of the Peace**  
**Greeting and Announcements** Rev. Phipps & Debbie Braden

### THE WORD IS PROCLAIMED

**Children's Moment** (10:30) Rev. Phipps  
**Scripture Readings:**  
**Reading from the Gospel:** Luke 3: 7-18 Debbie Braden  
**Reading from the Epistle:** Philippians 4:4-7 Rev. Phipps  
**Sermon:** The 12 Day Countdown Rev. Phipps  
**Anthem:** (10:30) *Make My Life A Bethlehem* Chancel Choir

### PRAYERS ARE OFFERED

**Sharing our Joys and Concerns** Rev. Phipps  
**Silent Meditation**  
**Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer** (spoken using 'debts & debtors')

### SERVICE AT THE LORD'S TABLE

**Invitation to the Table** Rev. Engman  
**Communion Hymn** (8:00) *Away In A Manger* #147  
 (10:30) *Breathe* Fusion  
**Offering Prayer and Sharing**  
**Offertory** *God Is With Us* solo by Daria Chapman  
**Doxology**

### THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH TO SERVE

**Hymn of Commitment** (8:00) *Angels We Have Heard On High* #155  
 (10:30) *Joy to the World* Fusion  
**Benediction**  
**Closing Song** *Go in Peace* on screen  
**Postlude** (8:00) *O Holy Night* Adam  
 (10:30) *O Come All Ye Faithful* arr. Coates



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## **HAPPENING THIS WEEK AROUND THE CHURCH**

### **Today, Sunday, December 13**

8:00 am	Worship
9:00 - 9:45 am	Breakfast in Fellowship Hall <i>Olde English Breakfast</i>
9:30 am	Sunday School – Intergenerational & <i>Seeing Gray in a Black &amp; White World</i>
10:30 am	Worship
10:30 am	Balcony Class
10:30 pm	Worship & Wonder
2:00 – 4:00 pm	Open House Birthday Celebration for Evelyn King
5:30 – 7:00 pm	Rehearsal for Christmas Eve program
6:00 pm	Disciple I
6:00 pm	Disciple III

### **Monday, December 14**

12:00 pm	Deadline for <i>The Messenger</i> Information
1:30 – 4:00 pm	Bridge in the Gathering Room
5:00 – 7:00 pm	Career Clothing Center open
6:00 – 8:00 pm	Cub Scouts in Fellowship Hall

### **Tuesday, December 15**

8:30 – 10:00 am	TOPS
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### **Wednesday, December 16**

9:00 am	Biographical Bible Study this week is <b>Luke 2</b> Timothy 3:10 – 4:22
9:00 am	<i>The Messenger</i> folding crew
10:30 am	Staff Meeting
1:00 – 4:00 pm	Euchre in the Gathering Room
1:00 - 4:00 pm	Duplicate Bridge in Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Choir Practice

### **Thursday, December 17**

1:30 -5:30 pm	Red Cross Blood Drive
5:30 pm	Rehearsal for Christmas Eve program
6:30 pm	Fusion Band practice in the Sanctuary
8:00 – 10:00 pm	AA

### **Saturday, December 19**

6:30 - 10:00 pm	Couples Bridge in the Gathering Room
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### **Sunday, December 20**

8:00 am	Worship - <b>Christmas Cantata</b>
9:00 - 9:45 am	Breakfast in Fellowship Hall <i>Christmas Morning</i>
9:30 am	Sunday School
10:30 am	Worship - <b>Christmas Cantata</b>
10:30 am	Balcony Class
10:30 pm	Worship & Wonder
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**BIBLE STUDY** on the ‘personalities’ of the Bible continues on Wednesday morning at 9:00 am. It’s a ‘come and go’ study – you’re welcome to attend as often as you can, but no guilt if you have to miss! Our ‘personality’ for the week is **Luke** and you can read his story in 2 Timothy 3:10 – 4:22 .

**BREAKFAST ON SUNDAY MORNINGS** from 9:00 - 9:45 am. Christian Women’s Fellowship is hosting these breakfasts. If you would like to help please sign up in the Gathering Room at the Information Desk. This is a fund raising opportunity for the Women’s Ministries to send some of our members to the Quadrennial Gathering of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and the United Church of Christ to be held next June in Greensboro, North Carolina. The entrée this morning is *Old English Breakfast* and next week will be *Christmas Morning*.

### **PEOPLE TO PEOPLE ITEMS OF THE WEEK:**

#### **Spaghetti & Spaghetti Sauce**

*FOR YOUR INFORMATION* - The 15 most needed food items at People To People: Pork & Beans, Jell-O, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Crackers, Spaghetti, Spaghetti Sauce, Noodles, Dry Cereal, Complete Pancake Mix, Syrup, Canned Vegetables, Canned Soup, Canned Fruit, Apple Sauce

**WE NEED CHILDREN**, grandchildren friends and neighbors to participate in this year’s family Christmas Eve service at 7 pm. There will be speaking parts for adults, older youth, and nativity parts for younger children. Practice is tonight from 5:30-7 pm –dinner will be provided.

**TODAY** will be the last Sunday for the Seeing Gray Sunday Morning study. We’ll take a few weeks off in December and then start a new study in January called *Trouble With Paris: Following Jesus In A World Of Plastic*.

**ORDER FORMS FOR THE CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS** are available in the church office. **TODAY** is the last date to order your flowers. The cost this year is \$8.00. The flowers will be delivered on December 18.

### **LECTIONARY DAILY SCRIPTURE readings for the coming week:**

#### **Monday, December 14**

Isaiah 11:1-0, Numbers 16:1-19, Hebrews 13:7-17

#### **Tuesday, December 15**

Isaiah 11:1-9, Numbers 16:20-35, Acts 28:23-31

#### **Wednesday, December 16**

Isaiah 11:1-9, Micah 4:8-13, Luke 7:31-35

#### **Thursday, December 17**

Psalms 80:1-7, Jeremiah 31-34, Hebrews 10:10-18

#### **Friday, December 18**

Psalms 80:1-7, Isaiah 42:10-18, Hebrews 10:32-39

#### **Saturday, December 19**

Psalms 80:1-7, Isaiah 66:7-11, Luke 13:31-35

#### **Sunday, December 20** *Fourth Sunday of Advent*

*Christmas Cantata: The Joy of Christmas*  
Micah 5:2-5a, Psalms 80:1-7, Hebrews 10:5-10,  
Luke 1:39-55

## **Memorial**

**Mr. Harry H. Goschek & Deborah L. (Weitzel) Graser**

## **Birthdays**

**Today:** Wayne Gilkey, Evelyn King,

**Monday:** Jack Bennett

**Tuesday:** Jan Stonebraker

**Wednesday:** Annie Gerig

**Thursday:** Arden Carson

**Friday:** Todd Patterson

**Saturday:** Devon Smith

## **Anniversaries**

Ron & Beth Pycraft - Dec. 11- 33 years  
Russ & Suddie Lengcher - Dec. 13 - 51 years  
Mike & Debbie Braden - Dec. 15 - 18 years

## **We are glad you are here today!!!**

If you’re worshipping with us for the first time today we want you to be as comfortable as possible. Here is some information about our church you might find helpful.

## **Worship Services**

We celebrate communion each week. The cup and bread are passed to each row by our communion servers. If you choose to take communion, simply partake of the bread and the cup as it is passed to you, and then pass both trays along to the next person.

## **Children & Middle School (ages 5-Grade 8)**

During the 10:30 service, if you have children they are welcome to come forward during the Children’s Moment with the pastor. After Children’s Moment the children *ages 5-Grade 4* exit through the back of the sanctuary for a time of worship, crafts, and story-telling in the Children’s Worship Center at the top of the stairs on the second floor. *Grades 5 – 8* are invited to join a leader of the congregation in the Balcony for a time of discussion about our worship services.

## **Infants & Toddlers**

Perhaps you have an infant or toddler up to 5 years old, Deborah Griffith, our paid nursery attendant would love to care for your child during church services and/or Sunday School. The nursery is located on the second floor at the end of the hallway. Children may be picked up after services. For your convenience, changing tables are located in both the Fellowship Hall and main floor women’s restrooms, as well as in the nursery, on the second floor.

We would appreciate you taking the time to fill out the attendance card located in the pew back and leaving it on the pew seat. We promise we won’t harass you, but if you leave your name, address, and email it helps us get to know you, and you can receive information about what happens here at Central Christian.