

# **CENTRAL**

United Church of Christ  
GROW FAITH • SHARE LOVE • REACH OUT



**November 24, 2019**

**Reign of Christ**

**10:00 a.m.**

The Mission of  
Central United Church of Christ is...  
to be a Christ-centered community  
of faithful disciples,  
who are called  
to GROW IN FAITH, and  
to SHARE GOD'S LOVE  
as we REACH OUT  
to each other,  
to our community  
and to our world.

*All Hymns and Songs reprinted under CCLI.*

\* indicates please stand, as you are able

**THE COMMUNITY GATHERS**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** “Now Thank We All Our God” #72

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)**

Prepare the way of the Lord.

Make your hearts ready for the coming king.

**We will be merciful to prepare our hearts for the king of mercy.**

**We will seek justice to prepare our world for the king of peace.**

Prepare the way of the Lord—

the one who has given the ultimate gift of love.

**CHOIR INTROIT**

**\*GATHERING PRAYER (in unison)**

**Christ our king, reign in our hearts and grant this world your peace. We rest from our busy pursuits and our ceaseless motion to seek the kingdom you will bring. In our songs of praise, in our prayers, and through ancient words of scripture, restore our souls to peace. Reign in our hearts, that your love may change this world, for it is the only power that can do so, through the grace of Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**PRAISE HYMN** “We Praise Thee O God” #19

**PASSING THE PEACE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*THE GLORIA PATRI (sung in unison)**  
Glory be to the Father  
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.

**TO HEAR GOD'S WORD**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Rev. Dr. Judith Scott

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Jeremiah 23:1-6  
Colossians 1:11-20

**CHOIR RESPONSE**

**BELL CHOIR SPECIAL MUSIC**

*"Give Thanks"* arr. Susan E. Geschke

**SERMON**

Rev. Dr. Judith Scott

**\*THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth:  
And in Jesus Christ his only begotten Son our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
Born of the Virgin Mary,  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, dead, and buried:  
He descended into hell;  
The third day he rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven,  
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit;

One holy and universal Christian Church;

The Communion of Saints;

The Forgiveness of sins;

The Resurrection of the body,

And the Life everlasting.

Amen.

(Adapted from *The Book of Common Prayer, 1662*)

## TO RESPOND IN FAITH

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

**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.**

### CHOIR RESPONSE

#### OFFERING

##### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

**OFFERTORY**     *"Praise and Thanksgiving"*

– Wood

**\*THE DOXOLOGY** (sung in unison)

**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.**

**\*DEDICATION PRAYER (in unison)**

**Holy God, in Christ you have chosen us  
to be your friends, and to know your  
will in the world. Therefore, we pray in  
Jesus' name that these tithes and offerings  
spread your love near and far. Amen.**

**AND GO FORTH IN LOVE**

**CLOSING HYMN**    *"Praise to God Immortal Praise"*    #435

**\*BENEDICTION**

**CHOIR RESPONSE**

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

**POSTLUDE**        *"Now Thank We All Our God"*        – Karg-Elert

***Our WORSHIP is ended...our SERVICE now begins.***

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**THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES**  
**November 24 – December 1**

TODAY:	HANGING OF THE GREENS	
	Adult Sunday School	8:30am
	Coffee Hour	9:00am
	Worship	10:00am
	All-Church Lunch	11:00am
	Decorate for Advent; Crafts for Children	12:00pm
MON:	W.I.G.S. Circle	1:00pm
	Scouts	7:00pm
WED:	(All Wednesday Activities Cancelled)	
SAT:	Christkindlmarkt	8:00am – 2:00pm
NEXT SUNDAY:	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	
	Adult Sunday School	8:30am
	Coffee Hour	9:00am
	Worship	10:00am
	Children's Sunday School	10:15am
	Adult Bible Study	11:15am

**Attendance last Sunday: 87**

**Altar flowers** are in honor of Trevor and Benjamin Maness from Freda Maness.

**Bulletins** are in memory of Monroe and Lorraine Schmutzler, Bruce and Marian Nichols, and Anna Lee York, from the family.

**Please pray for our members, family and friends:** Mabel Thompson, Elizabeth Klemme, Jacquie Howser, Beckett Michael Karr (parents Geoff and Lauren Karr), Jimmy Fairchild, Melissa Parscal, Jenny Alpers, Larry Rizner, Lee Thompson, Finn Price, August Begemann, Pat Brauner, Hank Gozia, Michelle Heymeyer, Janet Miller, Abel Green, Jerry Watson, Lonnie

Schneider, George Seifert, Doug Blaha, Tommy Thompson, Norma Klemme, Eleanor Diersing

Canaan Robert Wisker, son of Christy Schmutzler and Cecil Wisker, was baptized Sunday, November 27, 2019. Canaan is the grandson of Monty and Pam Schmutzler.

**Rev. Scott's contact information:**

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**90+ Birthdays this month:**

Mabel Thompson (11/22)  
Oak Tree Villas  
3108 West Truman Blvd., Room 511  
Jefferson City, MO 65109

**Adult Bible Study with Rev. Scott** meets in the library following the morning worship service. We began with Genesis and will continue our journey through the Bible, emphasizing major events and writings in order to understand what the Bible says about God and how we are to live in obedience to God under the umbrella of His love and care. The class is open to all!

**Hanging of the Greens today** – Stay after this morning's worship service for a light lunch in the gym provided by Congregational Life Ministry. Following lunch, we'll return to the sanctuary to decorate the trees, sanctuary, and narthex. The Faith Formation Ministry has planned activities for the children. When the decorating is completed, we'll sing carols and enjoy the beauty of the sanctuary.

**Christkindlmarkt takes place Saturday, November 30**, from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., and will include a Craft Show Market, a Bake Sale with special Christmas cookies and German favorites, and a Breakfast Bonanza. Craft Show spaces are filled, but help is needed with breakfast and baked goods. Please see the sign-up sheet in the bulletin about helping with baked goods.

**If anyone has empty cookie tins** to get rid of, the Christkindlmarkt bake sale committee could use it for Saturday, November 30. Let Patti Schmutzler or Freda Maness know, or drop it off at the church office by 12:00 noon Wednesday, or at the gym by 3:00 Friday afternoon.

**Christmas Lights Tour on the Trolley** – Seats are still available on the trolley to view Christmas lights around town on Tuesday, **December 10**. Cost is \$13. We are on the early trolley, so we'll leave church at 5:30 p.m. Cookies and hot chocolate will be provided following the tour. Please contact Susan Poettgen at 573-298-4515 if interested.

**The women of Living Hope Church** (formerly Evangelical Free Church), invite the women of Central Church to their annual Christmas supper and program on December 1. More information will be coming. If you would like to attend, please contact the church office at 573-635-1041 or Ruth Long at 573-896-4840 by November 24.

**The Samaritan Center has a program called Santa's Workshop** where parents/guardians can pick out 2 gifts for each child age 12 and under. Gifts should be a minimum of \$10 per item, new and unwrapped. Toys can be combined as one gift to average a minimum of \$10, example 2 packs of Hot Wheel cars. For older ages items like makeup, nail polish, curling iron, blow dryer, basketballs, footballs, cologne, body sprays are all

acceptable. Smaller items are offered as bonus gifts such as coloring books, story books, crayons, sticker books, etc. Wrapping paper, bows and ribbon are given out during Santa's Workshop. A box is located in the Narthex for donations. *All toys must be delivered by **December 6***. See the Tower for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Susan Poettgen at 573-298-4515.

**Young Youth (K-5<sup>th</sup> grades)** meets every Wednesday after school for food and fun, faith and fellowship and help to build relationships with God and each other. There is always a 20-30 minute Bible lesson or faith-building activity and we'll feed the kids dinner. Supervision goes from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

# BREAKFAST BONANZA

Oct. 12 · Nov. 9 · Dec. 14

Second Saturdays, 7:00 - 11:30am



*All-You-Can-Eat*

Made-From-Scratch Biscuits · Gravy  
Scrambled Eggs · Pancakes  
Sausage · Bacon · Coffee/Juice

**\$10 for adults,**  
**\$6 for kids ages 5 to 9;**  
**kids under 5 eat free**

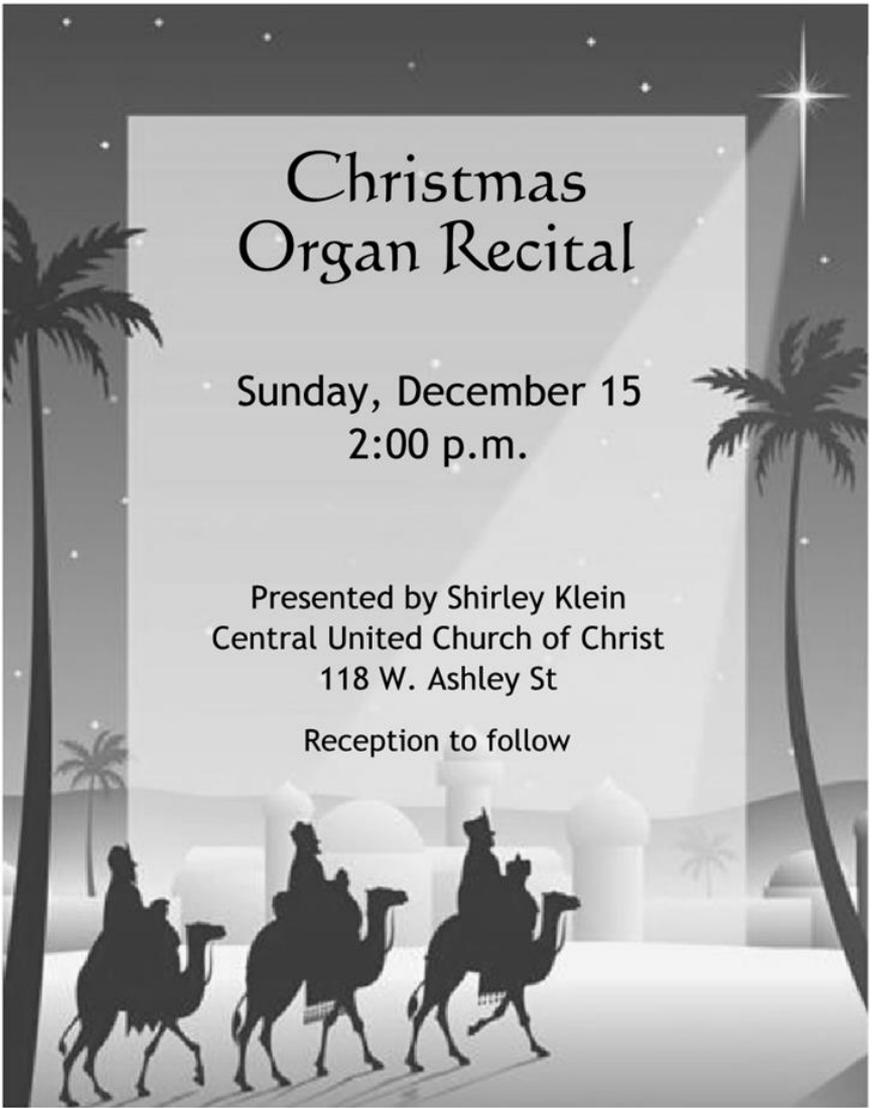
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118 W. Ashley, Jefferson City, MO

# Christmas Organ Recital

Sunday, December 15  
2:00 p.m.

Presented by Shirley Klein  
Central United Church of Christ  
118 W. Ashley St

Reception to follow



**CHRISTKINDLMARKT 2019**  
**Saturday, November 30**

We need your help with the BAKE SALE by making your favorite Christmas and/or German cookies, candy, bread, and other pastries (no brownies). Baked items can be brought to the church gym/big kitchen on Friday, November 29, between 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. If you need to drop off your baked goods before Thanksgiving, you can drop it off at the church office/library on Wednesday, November 27, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. For more specific instructions about the baked goods, see Patti Schmutzler in person, e-mail at [plschmu@gmail.com](mailto:plschmu@gmail.com) or TEXT a message at 573-418-8196. We also need help with packaging the baked goods and manning the bake sale. Thank you for your help.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I will bring bake sale items.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I can help with packaging the baked goods on  
Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>

\_\_\_\_\_ 12:00 Noon to 2:00 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I can volunteer to help with the Bake Sale on  
Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup>

\_\_\_\_\_ 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 1:00 p.m. to clean up (after 2:00 p.m.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # or E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Give sign-up sheet to Patti Schmutzler or place in the offering plate on Sunday mornings by November 24.

**Central will again be selling poinsettias** in 6" pots from Trenklein Greenhouses which you can purchase in memory or honor of someone. Cost is \$10 per poinsettia; checks should be made payable to Central UCC with poinsettia on the memo line. **The completed form along with your payment must be turned in to the church office by December 4, 2019.** The poinsettias will be displayed in the sanctuary on Sunday, December 22 through Tuesday, December 24. You can pick up your poinsettia(s) at the conclusion of the Christmas Eve service or on December 26 or 27. Contact Mary Ann Wippermann at 573-636-3685 or [mlwipper@embarqmail.com](mailto:mlwipper@embarqmail.com) if you have any questions.

**POINSETTIA ORDER FORM  
2019**

Cost per poinsettia is \$10. Please complete the form below to place your order. This form along with your payment must be turned in to the church office no later than ***Wednesday, December 4th.***

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of Poinsettias:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Cost (\$10 each):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Wording as you would like it to appear in the Christmas Eve Memorial/Honorarium Listing:** (Please specify, "In memory of" or "In honor of", and PLEASE PRINT)



## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Thank you for joining us in worship today. Your presence and participation are an important part of shaping this experience of worship for all of us. Know that whoever you are and wherever you are in your journey of life and of faith, you are welcome here!

If you are a guest here today, we would love for you to become a regular part of what God is doing in and through this church community. If you have any questions about joining us in ministry, please contact the Pastor.

**Large Print Bulletins:** Large print editions of the worship bulletin are available in the Narthex and by the elevator.

**Friendship Register:** Please sign the Friendship Register (the blue book at the end of the pew) when it is passed around so that we have a record of your visit.

Ministers .....	Every Member
Pulpit Supply Minister.....	Rev. Dr. Judith Scott
Director of Music .....	Dr. Patrick Clark
Young Youth Director/Bell Choir Director.....	Rene Miserez
Organist.....	Shirley Klein



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