christianunionchurch

Sunday, November 29, 2026

Welcome Representative: Leellyn Dennis
Usher: Dick Owens

Big Prayers – Silent Reflections
Luke 1:5-25 / Luke 1:57-80

Prelude	*We Believe* *Jesus Only Jesus* *My Soul Magnifies the Lord*
Advent Reading & Welcome	Lance, Jill, Boyd & Wayd Fandel
Songs	*Come & Worship Medley* *Gratitude*
Prayer & Message	Gary Salm
Communion	
Announcements	
Closing Song	*Tell Me the Story of Jesus*
Postlude	

Invitation to Communion
Our celebration of communion is open to all believers. Communion Stewards will pass the elements to you.

- If you are looking for a new church family, please fill out the blue card, located in the back of the pews. After the service, please give the blue card to the Welcome Rep in the foyer and receive a complimentary gift bag that includes additional information.
- Please remember to sign the attendance sheet inside the black pew pad and pass it down the pew.
- Please give Prayer Requests (yellow slips located in the pew) to Pastor Gary. The prayer list is updated monthly with each newsletter. Please let the church office know if prayers have been answered.

Christian Union Church will now receive new members on any given Sunday. We no longer will have specific membership Sundays. If you are interested in becoming a member of Christian Union Church, please contact Pastor Gary. New members are asked to come forward during our last song to place their membership.

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Highlights of This Week at Christian Union Church

For a complete list, please see UPCOMING EVENTS on the website.

Sunday, 11/29	9:30 am	Coffee and donuts - Front Foyer
	10:00 am	Worship Service & KidZone
	5:00 pm	Prayer Group
Tuesday, 12/01	6:30 pm	Men's Bible Study (Chapel)
	6:30 pm	Women's Bible Study (Family Room)
Wednesday, 12/02	4:30 pm	Music/Band Rehearsal
	6:00 pm	CLIMB / KidZone
	6:30 pm	Elevate in Fellowship Hall
Thursday, 12/03	7:00 pm	Adult Christmas Choir



Announcements & Reminders

5TH SUNDAY = FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY

Today is a "5th Sunday," so we collect donations for Open Arms Food Pantry. Donations may be placed in the barrel near the front glass doors or the double doors near the Chapel. Monetary donations are also appreciated. The mission committee will deliver all donations to the food pantry. Thank you!

OUR DAILY BREAD

Devotional booklets for Dec-Jan-Feb are received and available in the brochure racks throughout the building. They have also been delivered to Snyder Village for distribution.

2026 DIRECTORY IS NOW READY

Please see Deb, Julie, or Jenny on Sunday mornings to receive the 2026 Directory. We would like each family to have a color version. If you would like additional copies, please contact the office to have a black and white version prepared for you. Many thanks go to Bryant Brace, Nicholas, Jenny, and Lori for taking on this large project.

PHILATHEA 12/8

Philathea ladies will meet for lunch Tuesday, 12/08 at 11:00 at Carrigan's Pub, 5506 N Main Street (Route 116) in East Peoria. If you would like to carpool, please meet at CUC at 10:30. An ornament gift exchange will be held for those wanting to participate. Everyone is welcome to attend and participate.

CHRISTMAS COOKIE EXCHANGE 12/12

Ladies, get your Christmas cookie recipes ready! A cookie exchange is planned for Saturday, December 12, 9:30-11:30 am in Fellowship Hall. There will be refreshments and fellowship. For more info text Daphne Smock (309) 241-6293.

KIDZONE KIDS FOR ADVENT ON 12/13

The KidZone kids will lead the Advent reading during the service, as well as lead us in two special Christmas songs!

CHRISTMAS BRUNCH 12/13

If you would like to bring a breakfast casserole for this event, please sign up on the sheet outside the church office or contact Jill Fandel. All are welcome for brunch on 12/13 at 11:00

CHRISTMAS CAROLING 12/13

Save the date and plan to go caroling the afternoon of 12/13. Watch weekly bulletins for further details.

LOVE GIFT FOR CHURCH STAFF

As we focus on others this time of year, let's not forget our church staff who are such an important part of our ministry. If you would like to contribute to a love gift for these people, please get your gift to the church office by Sunday, 12/13. Make sure your envelope is labeled "Love Gift." Thank you in advance for your generosity – The Church Council