

WELCOME TO CEDAR GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

DECEMBER 11, 2022

PRAISE TEAM
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“MARY DID YOU KNOW?”
“INFANT HOLY, INFANT LOWLY”

ON SCREEN
UMH 229

WELCOME We welcome everyone to the House of the Lord! Welcome to all of you who are with us in person, watching on Facebook, or listening on the radio. May you all be richly blessed with God’s presence as you worship with us. If you are watching live on Facebook, please sign in or add a comment to our page.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: [Advent booklets, 2023 Calendars & 2023 schedules for “Reading the entire Bible in a year” are available for everyone in the Narthex; Pastor Boley’s new office hours: Wednesdays 1-2pm and 6-7pm](#)

CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Luke 1) TANYA POWELL
And Mary, the Mother of Jesus, said: “My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed, for the Mighty One has done great things for me --

PEOPLE: holy is his name.

L: His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation. He has performed mighty deeds with his arm; he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts. He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble.

P: He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty.

L: He has helped his servant Israel, remembering to be merciful to Abraham and his descendants forever

P: just as he promised our ancestors”

OPENING PRAYER: O God of Isaiah, John the Baptist, and Mary, through all such faithful ones you proclaim the unfolding of future joy and renewed life. Strengthen our hearts to believe your advent promise that one day we will walk in the holy way of Christ, where sorrow and sighing will be no more, and the journey of God’s people will be joy. Amen

ADVENT READING & CANDLE LIGHTING

EDDY FAMILY

HYMN “TO A MAID ENGAGED TO JOSEPH”

UMH 215

INVOCATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

LITURGIST

Holy Father, this is Your Word for my life at this time and in this place. Today I am a new creation in Christ, and I believe that He has a purpose for my life. Open my heart to the working of Your Word and Your Holy Spirit, that I may be transformed into Your new creation. Amen.

OLD TEST READING

ISAIAH 35:1-10

TAMMY CLINE

JOYS/TESTIMONIES/NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS; 17TH KAREN JACKSON;
NO KNOWN ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

THE LORD’S PRAYER

ALYVIA MCCULLOUGH

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

DONNA ELLIOTT

PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAYER

LITURGIST

NEW TESTAMENT READING

JAMES 5:7-10

LITURGIST

HYMN

“AWAY IN A MANGER”

UMH 217

SHARING THE PEACE/PRAYER FOR THE LOST

GOSPEL READING

MATTHEW 11:2-11

PASTOR BOLEY

SERMON

“LISTEN TO MY SON”

PASTOR BOLEY

CLOSING HYMN

“WHAT CHILD IS THIS”

UMH 219

BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL

PASTOR BOLEY

UPCOMING DECEMBER EVENTS

11TH CHRISTMAS DINNER AT 5PM W/CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
(FOLLOWED BY A SPECIAL VISITOR!)

11TH WORSHIP SERVICE AT CEDAR GROVE PERSONAL CARE AT 2:30PM

12TH “HELP & HOPE” SUPPORT GROUP MEETING AT 7PM

14TH BIBLE STUDY AT 7PM

24TH CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE AT 4:30PM

25TH REGULAR SUNDAY SCHOOL & CHURCH SERVICE

