

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
Generous God, we thank You for every good gift, especially the gift of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Bless these offerings and use them to spread Your love, joy, and hope in our church, our community, and the world. May our giving be a song of gratitude, offered to Your glory. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS
PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

*HYMN *Here I Am, Lord* UMH #593

*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH
Go forth rejoicing in the love of God. Carry the song of Christmas into the world, living with gratitude, hope, and joy. And may the blessing of God Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you always. **Amen.**

FAREWELL *Go Now in Peace (2x)* UMH #665

POSTLUDE

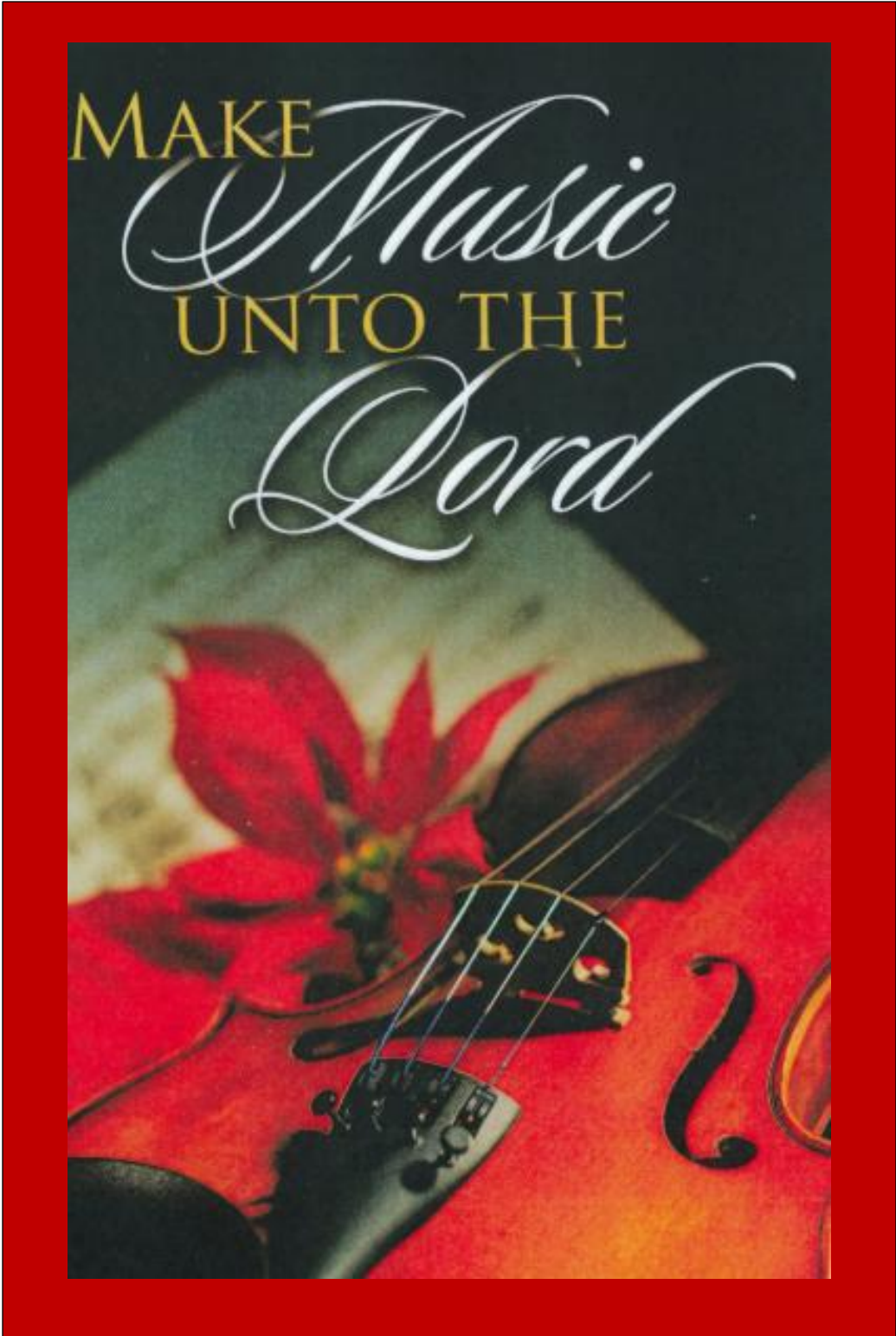
OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS

Community United Methodist Church
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December 28, 2025
Christmas Hymn Sing Sunday

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ORDER OF WORSHIP
Christmas Hymn Sing Sunday

10 a.m. December 28, 2025

PRELUDE

INTROIT *Angels We Have Heard on High* CUMC Adult Choir
French Carol / arr. Edward S. Barnes Previously Recorded

WELCOME ALL CHILDREN OF GOD

GREETINGS

One: Merry Christmas! The light of Christ still shines among us.

All: **Thanks be to God! We rejoice in the gift of Emmanuel.**

One: The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

All: **And we have seen His glory, full of grace and truth.**

One: Let us continue the celebration of Christ’s birth.

All: **With grateful hearts, we worship the newborn King.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: May God increase our love for one another and strengthen our hearts in holiness,
as we greet one another in peace. The peace of the Lord be with you

All: **And also with you**

*HYMN *This Is the Day* UMH #657

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We come still rejoicing in the good news of Christmas.

All: **The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.**

One: God’s love has entered the world in Jesus Christ.

All: **We sing with joy, gratitude, and hope.**

One: Let us lift our voices together in praise.

All: **Let us worship God with hearts full of song.**

OPENING PRAYER

Loving God, we thank You for the gift of Christmas, for the light that shines in the darkness, and for the joy that still echoes in our hearts. As we sing today, may our voices rise in gratitude, our hearts be renewed with hope, and our lives be shaped by Your love. Receive our worship, offered with joy and thanksgiving, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES “Children’s Message”

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN SING: 2 congregational hymns
You are invited to call out hymn numbers or themes

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, even after hearing the good news, we confess that we do not always live with joy. We cling to fear instead of trust, silence instead of praise, and self-interest instead of love. Forgive us for the times we forget the gift of Your presence. Renew us with Your grace, so that our lives may sing of Your mercy and truth. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the good news: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, renewed, and made new.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

HYMN SING: 2 congregational hymns
You are invited to call out hymn numbers or themes

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Psalm 96:1–4
John 1:1–14
Luke 2:15–20

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: **Thanks be to God.**

BRIEF REFLECTION & TESTIMONY

You are invited to share a brief testimony about meaningful hymns

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INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

In Christ, God has given us the greatest gift of all. As we offer our gifts today, we do so with thankful hearts, sharing the joy we have received so that God’s love may be known in the world. Let us give generously and joyfully.

WEEKLY OFFERING & NOISY OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Manger Throne* Tyler Stankiewicz
by Tony Wood, Phil Wickham & Jonathan Smith Vocal Soloist

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #95