

# Prayer Requests

Joys and concerns will be lifted up in prayer by individuals and/or teams this week. Where would you like for this request to go?

- ☐ Pastors Only    ☐ Prayer Group
- ☐ Email Prayer Chain

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If you have a prayer request during the week you can email us at [prayer@communityumc.net](mailto:prayer@communityumc.net) or call the congregational care number at 573-445-6131, ext. 3.

If you would like to receive prayer requests to pray for throughout the week, sign up for the email prayer chain. Be sure to include your email address on the other side of this form.

- ☐ Add me to the Prayer Chain.

## Connect Youth December Events:

- Spring Break Mission Trip to Puerto Rico—the deadline is SUNDAY, DEC. 21. Register and place a deposit to save your place—[communityumc.net/upcomingevents](http://communityumc.net/upcomingevents) (scroll to the second page of events).
- Dec. 21—Carols by Candlelight at 6:30 p.m.
- Dec. 28—No Connect Youth Group meeting.

**Serve on the Hospitality Team:** Do you have the gift of hospitality? If you love to make people feel welcome and comfortable, then this team needs your help to fill a few openings in 2026. Email Tawnya at [tmoroni@communityumc.net](mailto:tmoroni@communityumc.net) for more information or to volunteer.

## Worship

December 21, 2025  
“Mary and Joseph: Saying ‘Yes’ to God”  
Luke 1:26-38; Matthew 1:18-25 (VOICE)

**8 a.m. Worship Service**  
Angels We Have Heard on High #238 UMH  
Away in a Manger #217 UMH  
Angels From the Realms of Glory #220 UMH

**9:30 a.m. Worship Service**  
Joy to the World  
Go, Tell It on the Mountain  
What Child Is This  
He Has Come for Us

**11 a.m. Worship Service**  
Angels We Have Heard on High #238 UMH  
Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming #216 UMH  
Away in a Manger #217 UMH  
Christmas Cradle Lullaby  
Angels From the Realms of Glory #220 UMH



Mary (deciding in her heart): Here I am, the Lord's humble servant. As you have said, let it be done to me.  
**Luke 1:38 (VOICE)**



**In-Person Worship Services:** Sundays at 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m.  
**Online Worship Services:** Sundays at 9:30 and 11 a.m.  
3301 West Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65203  
573-445-6131 • [www.communityumc.net](http://www.communityumc.net)  
Curtis Olsen and Angie Olsen, Pastors

# Welcome, Guests!

## We're glad you're here!

As Christ-followers, we have a mission to introduce people to Jesus Christ. Why? So that they might also follow Jesus. Why? So that they feel called to love and led to serve God and others. Why? So that together we can transform this world for the better.

## What are opportunities for fellowship?

Before the 8, 9:30, and 11 a.m. services, all are invited to the Welcome Center for coffee and other refreshments and a time of meeting new people.

## What ministries do you have for children and youth?

Children are absolutely welcome to worship with their families. Other opportunities include:

- Nursery—9 a.m.-noon
- Sunday School—9:15 a.m.
- Community Kids—10:15 a.m.
- Connect Youth Group—Sundays from 6-7:30 p.m.

For more information on Children's Ministries contact Sarah Aplin at sarahjaplin@gmail.com. For Connect Youth Ministries, contact Nancy Cooper at ncooper@communityumc.net.

## Do you offer study groups for adults?

Options on Sunday mornings and during the week are available to join. New groups form regularly, so we will find you the place to grow in faith. For more information, email Doug Tarwater at grow@communityumc.net.

Sign up for the What's Happening e-newsletter at communityumc.net/newsletter-sign-up.

Offering may be placed in the plate or basket in the Worship Center, or mailed to 3301 W. Broadway, Columbia, MO 65203. Or you can give online at communityumc.net/give. Or give through the app; you can download our app at communityumc.net.

# What's Happening?

**Carols By Candlelight:** Community's annual Carols By Candlelight will take place on Dec. 21, at 6:30 p.m. Come early for refreshments. This event features music by handbell groups, vocal and instrumental ensembles, and soloists.

**Help With Carols by Candlelight:** If you can stay after the 11 a.m. service on Dec. 21, to help set up tables and chairs in the Welcome Center and provide help with decorating, it would be much appreciated! If you would like to donate cookies or treats for the event, please bring them to the Welcome Center kitchen before 5 p.m.

**Holiday Worship Schedule:** Join us for Christmas Eve Candlelight Services on Wednesday, Dec. 24, at 3:30 p.m. (contemporary) and 5:30 p.m. (traditional). On Sunday, Dec. 28, we will celebrate the season with one service at 10 a.m.

## Children's Ministry News:

- Children will perform at Carols by Candlelight on Dec. 21. We will practice during the 9:30 Sunday School time. Kiddos are welcome to sing, even if they haven't been able to make it to practice. For the performance, please arrive in the children's area by 6:15 p.m. They will perform early in the program, then join their families.
- There will be no children's ministry programming on Christmas Eve, Dec. 28, or Jan. 4. We will have activity boxes to keep little hands busy during services. The nursery will be available for children under 3 years old.
- Join us for the parent meeting on Jan. 4, at 10:45 a.m. We will plan and dream for a new year in children's ministry.

**Winter Craft Day:** Bring your current project and join us for a cozy morning of crafting and fellowship on Saturday, Dec. 27, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Welcome Center. Questions? Contact Sarah Aplin at sarahjaplin@gmail.com.

**Family Game Night:** Join us for Family Game Night on Monday, Dec. 29, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Whether you're into strategy games, quick card games, or classic favorites, bring them along to share. Don't have many? No problem—we'll have plenty on hand. Show up ready to play, laugh, and connect with friends new and old. Questions? Email Sarah at sarahjaplin@gmail.com.

# Connection Form

- Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship today!
- Stay up to date on what's happening by filling in the information below and dropping it in the basket at the back of the Worship Center.
- Children are always welcome in worship.
- A comfort room (on the west side of the Worship Center) and nursery are also available for your convenience.

## December 21, 2025

### Which service are you attending?

☐ 8am   ☐ 9:30am   ☐ 11am

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Add me to the *What's Happening* email

☐ Add me to the *Parent Newsletter* email

Be sure to include your email address.