

# WELCOME!

We're glad you're joining us this morning! We hope you experience the welcome of the risen Christ as we gather together.

## SUNDAY LITURGY

CALL TO WORSHIP

WORSHIP IN SONG

**"O Come, All You Unfaithful"**

GOSPEL WELCOME & GREETING

WORSHIP IN SONG

**"Hark The Herald Angels Sing"**

**"King of Kings"**

SCRIPTURE READING

**2 Samuel 7:1-16; 25-26**

SERMON

**"A King Who Rules"**

Matt Voss

SONG OF RESPONSE

**"Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus"**

COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

## WHY DO WE DO THAT?

### *Advent*

For most of us, the weeks leading up to Christmas are full of pressure to do everything, be everywhere, and make sure we post it all to Instagram. Our tendency post-Thanksgiving isn't to slow down, but to speed up. We've got lists to shop for, baking to get done, parties to go to... and by the time we arrive at Christmas Day we're out of breath.

Advent is meant to be a time when we intentionally slow down. In many ways, Advent is a rebellion against the consumerism and commercialism that drive Christmas in our culture.

Advent has a long history in the church. Go all the way back to the 4th and 5th century, and you'll find Christians keeping this month of waiting; this intentional season focused on the coming of Jesus. Advent means "arrival." Through meditating on the Scriptures, lighting candles, and singing carols, we remind each other what Jesus' arrival in this world means. Through Advent we not only remember Jesus' coming in the past, we also anticipate the Advent of his future return, as well as his very real "arrival" in our lives in the present.

## NEW HERE?

We're glad you came and would love the privilege of getting to know you. Stop by our Connect Desk for a free gift! If you'd like to get connected at Summit, simply fill out a Connect Card and drop it at the Connect Desk or in one of the steel "Give" boxes around the church.

## ABOUT US

Summit is a gospel-centered church with a vision to **know and make known the real Jesus in our church, our city, and around the world.** To do that we partner nationally with the Crossway Network ([crosswaynetwork.org](http://crosswaynetwork.org)) and locally with other like-minded churches and ministries. Find more about our vision, values, and beliefs online at [www.summit-christian.org](http://www.summit-christian.org)

## SERVE

The church is a family and as a family we share in the responsibility of serving together. We still have a need for volunteers for both our Summit Kids and Nursery classes. If you are interested in serving, please fill out a Connect card and drop it in one of the steel "Give" boxes or fill out the serve form on our website!

## CHURCH CLEANING

**This week:** Swindler Community Group  
**Next week:** Peterson Community Group

## CALENDAR

- 12.11 | Youth Group & Christmas Party
- 12.16 | All-Members Meeting
- 12.18 | Summit Kids Choir Practice
- 12.24 | Christmas Eve Services
- 12.25 | No Sunday Service
- 01.01 | Biography Sunday (10:30a Service)

## NEWS & NOTES

### Christmas Gift Initiative | DUE TODAY

This year we partnered with Angel Tree and Adoption Advocates to provide Christmas gifts for families in need and bless them with the love of Jesus! Be sure to drop off your wrapped presents with their tag attached under the Christmas tree in the Fellowship Hall! If you forgot your gift, you can drop them off at the church on Monday morning from 8:30a-11:30a!

### Youth Group & Christmas Party | TONIGHT

Join us this evening for a time of fun and festivity! Invite your friends and wear your best ugly (or cute) Christmas sweater! Please bring a \$10 gift if you would like to participate in our White Elephant Gift Exchange (funny or serious gifts...you get to choose)! Dinner and a lesson will also be provided! See you there!

### All-Members Annual Meeting | Dec 16

Summit members - Join us THIS FRIDAY for our annual members meeting and Christmas party from 6:30-8:30p. We'll have some special Christmas fun as a family, recap the past year, discuss some business items, and look ahead with anticipation to 2023. If you're a member, be sure you've received and read through our year-end update and budget proposal letter. Let us know if it wasn't emailed to you.

### Christmas & New Year's Schedule

This year we will be holding our regular Christmas Eve services at 4:30pm and 5:45pm! These services are a special time to invite family and friends and be reminded what Christmas is all about. We will not have a Sunday morning service on Christmas Day, but will provide some resources for a family devotion and some alternative options. New Year's Day is our Biography Sunday! This year we'll look at the life of hymn writer William Cowper. Join us for one service at 10:30a as we combine our two usual services!

### Financial Update | November

Thank you for your generosity! Here's a snapshot of how God is providing.

Average monthly giving needed (based on 2022 budget): \$28,045.83

Average monthly giving in 2022: \$30,398.36

Giving last month (Nov): \$35,296.87



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# SERMON NOTES

**"A King Who Rules"**

**2 Samuel 7:1-29**

*Matt Voss*

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