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 12.14.25

CALL TO WORSHIP

WORSHIP IN SONG "Joy To The World"

GOSPEL WELCOME

ADVENT READING

"Joy"

The Labree Family

WORSHIP IN SONG

"Grace Alone"

"Holy Forever"

"O Come All Ye Faithful (Chorus)"

FELLOWSHIP FIVE

Grab refreshments, mingle, and take

children to Summit Kids classes.

SCRIPTURE READING
John 1:10-13

SERMON

"Children of God"

Ben Sansburn

SONG OF RESPONSE "Here I Am To Worship"

COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Advent

For centuries, in the period leading up to Christmas, Christians have kept the season of Advent. This season offers us an incredible opportunity each year. Advent is a season not just for us to prepare for all of the "stuff" of Christmas, more importantly, it gives us a chance to prepare our hearts for the arrival of Jesus.

Advent invites us to wait, prepare, and long for our Savior to come. Meditating on the Scriptures and lighting candles each passing week reminds us of what Jesus' birth really means. And we're reminded not just of his coming in the past, but also of his future return, and we expect his arrival today in the present, through his very real presence in our lives.

Each of the four Advent candles points to a different reality that comes into our lives and our world through the arrival of Jesus. This year, through our Advent readings and the lighting of candles on the Advent wreath, we reflect on four realities that arrive with Jesus: Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love.

NEW HERE?

We're glad you came and would love to get to know you. Stop by our Connect Desk on the way out for a free gift! If you'd like to get connected at Summit, simply fill out a Connect Card and pass it on to a member of our host team. You can also join us on the 1st Sunday of the month for our Newcomers Coffee Connect after service!

ABOUT US

Summit Christian Fellowship is a gospelcentered 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 and locally with other like-minded churches and ministries. To find out more about our vision, values, and beliefs visit our website at www.summit-christian.org

SERVE

The church is a family and as a family we share in the responsibility of serving together. If you are interested in serving, please fill out a Connect Card and drop it off with a member of our host team or fill out the serve form on our website!

SUMMIT YOUTH

Students in 6th-12th Grade - Youth Group will be hosting an overnight Lock-In Event on Friday December 19th at the Summit Building! You can contact Matt Voss for more details.

12.19 | Youth Group Lock-In Event

YOUNG ADULTS

If you are between the ages of 18-35, join us for our Young Adult gatherings on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month starting at 5:30pm! Join the group in our Church Center app for more information.

CALENDAR

12.24 | Christmas Eve Services

12.28 | Biography Sunday

01.12 | Biblical Stewardship Class

NEWS & NOTES

Christmas Family Focus | Due Back Today

Wrapped gifts are due back today! Thank you for your generosity and supporting the local families here at Ford Middle School and through Adoption Advocates! If you forgot your gifts, please connect with Tom or Kimmer Utterback at the Connect Desk to coordinate a drop off!

Christmas Eve Services

On Christmas Eve we will have two evening candlelight services at the Summit Building at 4:00p and 5:30p. These services last about an hour and are a great chance to invite friends and family. Come worship the God who came near in Jesus!

Biography Sunday | Dec 28

For several years now our tradition the Sunday after Christmas is to look at the life of a person in history who followed Jesus faithfully. We call it Biography Sunday! This year, Guest Speaker Dick Hannula will be preaching on the incredible life and legacy of German Protestant reformer, Martin Bucer. This will be a family service format for kids K-4th Grade!

Intro to Biblical Stewardship Class | Jan 12

Join us January 12th & 26th from 6-8pm for a two-part Biblical Stewardship class taught by our very own Nathan Cruz. Nathan has been a Financial Advisor and Planner for many years and is excited to help equip those who want to learn the tools for stewarding their finances through a biblical lens! Register through our church website or via the Church Center App!

Financial Update

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

Average monthly giving needed (based on the 2025 budget): \$39,730.82

Average monthly giving in 2025: \$38,831.37

Giving last month (Nov): \$43,224.16



SERMON NOTES

"Children of God" Ben Sansburn John 1:10-13

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