# 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 "Hark The Herald Angels Sing"

GOSPEL WELCOME & GREETING

WORSHIP IN SONG "King of Kings" "Oh Come, All You Unfaithful"

SCRIPTURE READING Hebrews 7:18-28

SERMON **"A Priest Who Reconciles"** Ryan Knight

SONG OF RESPONSE "Jesus Messiah"

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 verv 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) and locally with other like-minded churches and ministries. Find more about our vision, values, and beliefs online at 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: Steffens Community Group Next week: Swindler Community Group

### CALENDAR

- 12.09 | Women's Ministry Ornament Exchange
- 12.11 | Youth Group Gathering
- 12.16 | All-Members Meeting
- 12.24 | Christmas Eve Services
- 12.25 | No Sunday Service

01.01 | Biography Sunday (10:30a Service)

## NEWS & NOTES

#### Ornament Exchange I This Friday!

Join us this Friday at 7pm for our annual Women's Ministry Ornament Exchange. This evening of fellowship and fun is a special Christmas tradition for us at Summit! You won't want to miss it! Bring along a newly purchased and wrapped ornament, as well as a dessert or appetizer to share! If you have any questions, contact Janet Lowen.

#### Christmas Gift Initiative | FINAL WEEK

We're partnering again this year with Angel Tree and Adoption Advocates to provide Christmas gifts for families in need. We still have many gift tags that need to be claimed! Be sure to stop by the Christmas tree in the Fellowship Hall, grab a gift tag, and bless a family in our city with the love of Jesus. You will need to bring the wrapped gifts back NEXT SUNDAY, December 11th!

#### All-Members Annual Meeting | Dec 16

Summit members - mark your calendars for our annual members meeting and Christmas party Friday, December 16 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

### SERMON NOTES

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