

# Welcome to Twin Pines!!

**OPEN AND AFFIRMING TO ALL!!!**

Twin Pines Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) is committed to building a community of Disciples by becoming God's hands and touching lives through Christ by being Open and Affirming to All. At Twin Pines, "all" means ALL, including all races, ethnicities, nationalities, sexual orientations, gender identities, levels of ability, ages, income statuses, educational statuses, family compositions, faith histories, levels of doubt, political alignments, and all other ways the people of this world are unique. We invite everyone to join their hands to ours, in any way they wish, to **Grow, Love, Serve, & Share** in an effort to make this fragmented world whole again.

January 04, 2026

# Twin Pines Time

# Prayer Request

If you are a guest with us today Welcome Home! No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, we invite you to make yourself at home here. If belonging to a spiritual community in an official way is important to you, and you feel God nudging you to make this place your church home, talk to Ptr. Brenton after worship, or call him later in the week.

## "Pray"ground

After the children's moment, young children are invited to return to their seats with their families or to enjoy the "Pray"ground area.

### Scrapbooking

**January 15-19 • ASR**

The TPCC Scrapbooking group will be meeting in the Adult Study Room throughout the week to work on individual projects. Please contact Wendy Henry with any questions

### Music Ensembles

The TPCC Music Ensembles are going to start meeting again later in January! The Choir will start rehearsing on January 11<sup>th</sup> from 9:15-10:45 am and Hand Bells will start on January 25<sup>th</sup> after worship until 1:00 pm. If you are interested in joining either of these groups, please reach out to Tom Stewart directly!

### Blanketeers/Heart2Heart Baggers

**Thursday • Jan 15 • 10:00-12:00pm • ASR**

The Blanketeers and Baggers will be meeting together going forward! No experience is required. Please join us to make blankets for children in need or process recycled grocery bags to make mats for the unhoused. Contact Marsha Sams for more info: [missions@twinpines.church](mailto:missions@twinpines.church)

### 35<sup>th</sup> Annual MLK Community Worship Service

**Sunday • Jan 18 • 6:00 pm • Central Christian Church**

This annual service coordinated by a group of DOC churches, celebrates and remember the momentous legacy, ministry, and words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. If you are interested in volunteering for the community choir or to bake cookies, please reach out to Ptr. Marsha for more info.

*Full list of announcements and events is available in our weekly E-Newsletter. Sign-up by emailing [office@twinpines.church](mailto:office@twinpines.church)*

## Prayer List

Aida	Jane	Nadine
Ashley	Jeff Ellis	Pam McFarland
Brian Gorrell	Katherine Gardner	Shifflett Family
Carol Warner	Layla	
Caroline Hehl	Meghan	

*Full prayer list available in our weekly E-Newsletter Prayer Update. Sign-up by emailing [office@twinpines.church](mailto:office@twinpines.church)*

## Our Staff

Ptr. Brenton Yadon <b>Interim Senior Minister</b>	Ptr. Marsha L. Sams <b>Missions Minister</b>	Thomas Stewart <b>Music Director</b>
Crescent Kirkpatrick <b>Office Manager</b>	Lisa Young <b>Fiscal Assistant</b>	Carson Crovo <b>Accompanist</b>

## Connect With Us

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Stay connected to the TPCC family through the INSTANT CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY. AVAILABLE THROUGH MOBILE APP. [WWW.INSTANTCHURCHDIRECTORY.COM](http://WWW.INSTANTCHURCHDIRECTORY.COM)

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

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- To be added to our Newsletter
- To receive more information on Twin Pines

## Offering

Cash: \_\_\_\_\_

Check: \_\_\_\_\_

Online: \_\_\_\_\_

Please tear off this section and place in our offering plate to participate in the Blessing of the Offering during our service.

**Title:**

The Politics of Christmas

**Scripture:**

Matthew 2:1-12

**Call to Worship:**

"We gather wondering, 'Where will we find the Babe born in Bethlehem?'

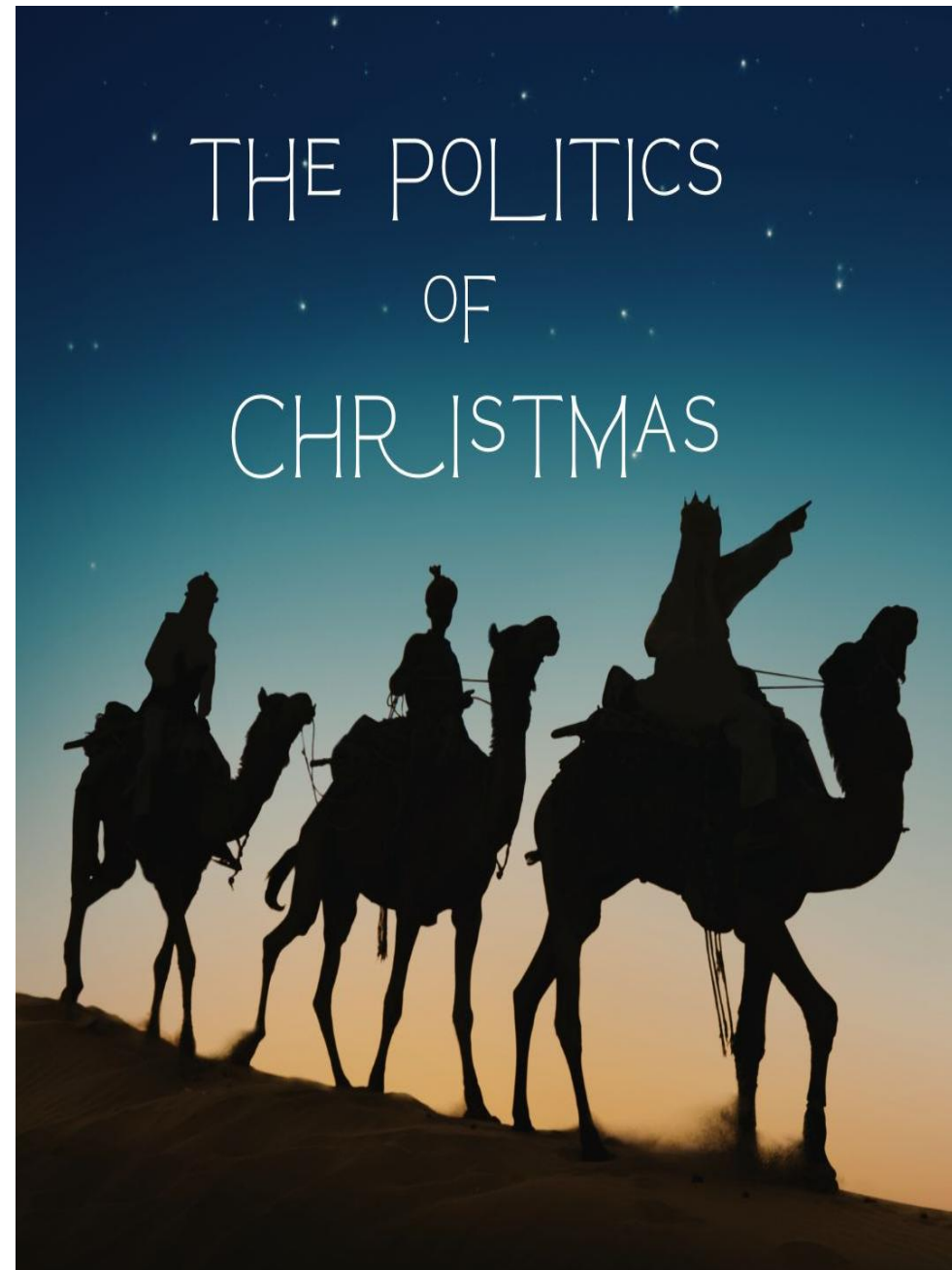
**We will find the child where the needy are gifted with hope, where the oppressed are set free.**

We gather wanting to know, 'where will we find the Christ who has come for us?'


**We will find our hope where fear is overwhelmed by grace, where hatred is overwhelmed by love, where all people are overwhelmed by joy."**

Order of Worship

<b>Prelude</b>		Sahil Egbert, Flute
<b>Welcome &amp; Call to Worship</b>		Ptr. Marsha L. Sams
<b>Song</b>	<i>As With Gladness</i> #173	Donna Osburn
<b>Children's Moment</b>		Nan Riekert
<b>Prayer Concerns &amp; Joys</b>		Ptr. Brenton Yadon
<b>Prayer Song</b>	<i>We Three Kings</i> #172, vs 1,2 & 5	
<b>Pastoral Prayer</b>		
	The Lord's Prayer *Pray the version of your choice*	
<b>Message</b>	<b>The Politics of Christmas</b> Matthew 2:1-12	
<b>Communion</b>	<i>One Bread, One Body</i> #393	
	Words of Institution	Grace Gorrell
<b>Presentation of Offering</b>		
<b>Missional Living</b>		
<b>Twin Pines Time</b>		
<b>Benediction</b>	<i>Peace Be Yours</i> CP 190	
<b>Postlude</b>		



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