

SUNDAY WORSHIP

1st Sunday of Advent

November 28, 2021 10:15AM

Marjorie Kohler, Accompanist

We welcome our guests and visitors in worship today.
Please fill out the enclosed check-in slip
and place it in the offering plate.

The Life of the Church Rev. Stephen Underwood

WORSHIP WITH PRAISE

Prelude "Prepare the Way of the Lord" 121

*Call to Worship Sheena Jarvey

ONE: The darkness has long been upon us.
We long for the light—the fulfillment of God's
promise of salvation.

MANY: **The people who walked in darkness have
seen a great light!**

ONE: The light has not yet come. We wait and watch
for the dawning of God's glory.
This one candle casts its light into the
darkness.
It reminds us to stay awake and watchful,
For the Promised One will come to us at an
unexpected hour!

*Lighting of the Advent Candle 128 v. 1
"One Candle is Lit"

*Song of Praise 125
"Come, O Long-expected Jesus"

*Opening Prayer Sheena Jarvey

*The Lord's Prayer Sheena Jarvey

**Please Stand As You Are Able*

WORSHIP WITH THE WORD

A Song of Prophecy Sheena Jarvey

Psalm 118:19-29

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Rev. Stephen Underwood

*We invite everyone to share your concern
on the Real Life Prayer Request form
and give it to God during our offering.*

Call to Prayer 67 v.6

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

Prayers of the People Rev. Stephen Underwood

Scripture Reading Rev. Stephen Underwood

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Luke 21:25-26

Message Rev. Stephen Underwood

"[in]Finite Hope"

WORSHIP WITH OUR LIVES

Invitation to Discipleship 633 v. 1,3

"Lead On, O Cloud of Presence"

WORSHIP WITH THE LORD'S SUPPER

Communion Meditation Chris Hunter, Elder

Communion Hymn 134

"Emmanuel"

Communion Prayer Chris Hunter, Elder

Remembering the Words of Jesus

Rev. Stephen Underwood

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Please come forward as directed.

We also invite you to commune
with Jesus where you sit.

We remember Jesus in the breaking of the bread*
and through the cup of salvation.

* crackers are gluten free

Hymn Played During Communion:

"O Come, O Come Emanuel"

Arrangement by Roger House
Marjorie Kohler, Piano

"The Peace of Christ be with you"

WORSHIP WITH SERVICE IN THE WORLD

Blessing and Commission to Serve
Rev. Stephen Underwood

*Closing Song 132 v. 1
"When God is a Child"

*Music for Dismissal

*Children of all ages are welcome to participate fully
in our worship service.*

Prayers for Our Brothers and Sisters in the Northern Lights Region

Englewood Christian Church
Yakima, WA

Like nearly every congregation, Englewood Christian Church has been profoundly affected by the COVID pandemic. We have emerged from the pandemic a different congregation than we were when the pandemic began. We have returned to in person worship, though our fellowship activities have been severely curtailed because of safety precautions.

We continue to reach out to our community by preparing and serving a monthly meal at Camp Hope, a facility for the homeless. Each Sunday, we prepare dozens of sandwiches to be distributed at the homeless encampment.

We reach out to the children of our community through an after school arts and crafts program. We also sponsor a safe trick or treat festival on Halloween.

Coming out of the pandemic we have adopted a theme that guides our recuperation from the pandemic. Our theme is "**Englewood...Energizing...Building Back.**"

As we move through the interim process seeking a new settled pastor, we ask your prayers for the continued health of this missional congregation.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:00 am: Elders Meeting
9:00 am: Adult Sunday School
10:15 am: Worship Service
Grounds Servant: Kevin McCafferty

Rev. Stephen Underwood 513-808-5860
Marjorie Kohler, Sunday Accompanist (H) 781-1630
Ruth Lindabury, Church Administrator (C): 781-3909
Joshua Davey, Custodian (C) 231-8404

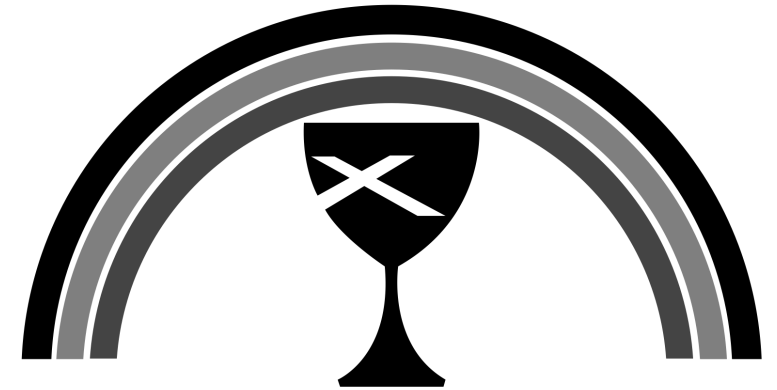
ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **Spirituality and Social Justice Book Club** will meet on Wednesday, December 1st at 6:30 at the church.

The book club is also organizing a winter-gear-drive for our neighbors without housing during Advent. Starting next week you can bring new or gently-used coats, hats, gloves, socks, blankets, and sleeping bags to place under the tree at the back of the fellowship hall. We will be donating these to Helping Hands so they can distribute them to people in need.

◆ **Cookie Sale** - The Lydia Group will be having their annual Cookie "Bag" Sale on December 12th after church. They will accept cookie and monetary donations. All cookies need to be placed in plastic bags or wrapped (3 to a package). All contributions made from the sale will be used for mission projects.

◆ **FISH Week** for Central Christian was November 8-12. During that week we helped 24 people and gave out 862 pounds of food. We were blessed to help these people when they were in need. The following are members that served during our FISH week: Dennis Hill, LeAnn Budeski, Gary Hill, Sheryl Knowles and Louise Hill.



Central Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

An Open and Affirming Congregation

Vision Statement

To be an inclusive people
living God's radical love
that challenges all
to grow in faith and mission.

Mission Statement

The mission of Central Christian Church is to empower people for Christ's ministries in their daily lives: home, school, workplace, church and community.

1025 Central Avenue
Great Falls, MT 59401-3745

Phone: 453-4317

Church Webpage: www.gfccc.net

Email Office: cccgf1025@gmail.com

Facebook (@gfccc) Instagram (@ccc_greatfalls)

Today's Servants

Preparing: Emily C

Worship Leader: Sheena Jarvey

Greeters/Counters: Linda M Kathy A

Tech Booth: Clint & Margaret H