

THE CREEKSIDER

Plymouth Creek Christian Church Newsletter

Find Your Story

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Find Your Story and Share It

"Why are you here?," a Cuban young adult asked? "Why have you come to visit us?" I answered "We have come because we believe we cannot be whole without each other. We believe we need you and you need us to truly be the Body of Christ."

The world too often teaches us that we do not need each other or that somehow only certain people are valued as members of the human race. The Church at our best is called upon to lift up the transformative message brought into the world through the humble beginnings of a small child named Jesus. His life was one of modeling and teaching that all are part of the whole and that there is enough to welcome all to the table.

This was my lesson during my 10 day pilgrimage to Cuba with Global Ministries but it is a message I first learned growing up in a poor family in southern Iowa. I learned this not so much through words but through the actions of the people at Davis Street Christian Church who made sure my family and I were always welcome. I felt this as they shared their gifts and resources with my

family but, mostly I was overwhelmed by the way they embraced my family for what they also brought to the church. When people ask me what Advent means to me I simply tell them this story.

Find your story for Advent and share it in both words and actions. The world needs the Church at our best.

Joys & Concerns

~Jeanne's sister Jackie who had surgery after falling and breaking her femur and shoulder. Continued prayers for Bonnie as she transitions to assisted living and Susan as she recovers from surgery.

~Continued prayers for the people of Puerto Rico many of whom are still without power and water.

~Safety for those travelling over the holidays

Important Dates

Sun Dec 3 - First Sunday of Advent - Hope

Sun Dec 10 - Second Sunday of Advent - Peace

Mon Dec 11 - Board Meeting

Sun Dec. 17 - Third Sunday of Advent - Joy, Choir Cantata

Sunday Dec. 24 - 4th Sunday of Advent - Love, Christmas Eve - Christ

Wed Jan 10, 17 - Healing Divides 6 pm

News & Events



Interfaith Outreach
Igniting the power of community

Last day to donate December holiday food - December 9

Donate holiday food for December holidays! View the food shelf's most-needed items at goo.gl/PaXfFF

Shop with a Purpose
December 15

All day, businesses throughout our service area generously contribute portions of their sales to help prevent homelessness through the Sleep Out. Check back at www.iocp.org to view special offers and plan your day – all to help families thrive.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Dec 6, 2017 Happy Birthday LeAnn V

Dec 13, 2017 Happy Birthday Kenny F

Dec 19, 2017 Happy Birthday Laurie L, Happy Birthday Don B

Dec 25, 2017 Happy Birthday Carol Je

Jan 4, 2018 Happy Birthday Maya I

News & Events

HEALING DIVIDES: RACE & AMERICA

JANUARY 10 & 17, 2018

6:00 PM

PLYMOUTH CREEK CHRISTIAN CHURCH



We will be watching and discussing "13TH"- this Oscar nominated film explores the history of race and incarceration in the U.S.

Join us for dinner, a movie, & discussion

Plymouth Creek Christian Church

16000 41st Avenue North

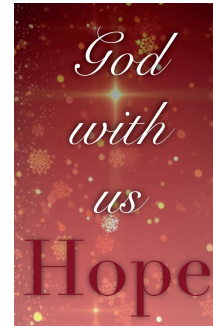
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Worship: Sundays at 10 AM

Come join us for worship this advent season!



Revised Common Lectionary Texts

Dec 3 | Exodus 17:1-7 and Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16 • Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 and Psalm 25:1-9 • Philippians 2:1-13 • Matthew 21:23-32 Isaiah 64:1-9 • Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 • 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 • Mark 13:24-37

Dec 10 | Isaiah 40:1-11 • Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13 • 2 Peter 3:8-15a • Mark 1:1-8

Dec 17 | Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 • Psalm 126 or Luke 1:46b-55 • 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 • John 1:6-8, 19-28

Dec 24 | 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16 • Luke 1:46b-55 or Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26 • Romans 16:25-27 • Luke 1:26-38

Dec 25 | Isaiah 9:2-7 • Psalm 96 • Titus 2:11-14 • Luke 2:1-14, (15-20)

Dec 31 | Isaiah 61:10-62:3 • Psalm 148 • Galatians 4:4-7 • Luke 2:22-40

Volunteer Schedule

	Presiding Worship Leader	Assisting Worship Leader	Comm Prep & Clean-Up	Servers/ Ushers	Servers/ Ushers	Worship Facilitator	Servant Leader	Bus Driver
12/3/2017	Donna Ja	Tom J	Jeanne J	Richard S & Bob M	Carsten I & Don B	Carlos O	LeAnn V	Russ W
12/10/2017	LeAnn V	Julia F	Marian T	Carlos O & Bob M	Carsten I & Kim W	Carsten I	Deb K	Richard S
12/17/2017	AI J	Carlos O	Debbie L	Tom J & Matt J	Richard S & Don B	Tom J	LeAnn V	Carlos O
12/24/2017	John F	Glenda G	Mike B	Richard S & Matt J	Carsten I & Kim W	Bob B	Donna Je	Russ W
12/31/2017	Donna Je	Sarah J	Wanda B	Tom J & Matt J	Carlos O & Bob M	Carlos O	Deb K	Richard S