



2023

Happy New Year

Welcome to Community of Faith!

"Cheers to a New Year and another chance for us to get it right." – Oprah Winfrey

January 1, 2023

New Years Day

10:30 am

Announcements

Prelude

"Ding! Dong! Merrily on High"

French Carol/Arr. Philip Kern

Gathering Music

"Emmanuel"

**Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel,
God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel**

*Call to Worship (from Psalm 72)

Bless the Lord God, the God of Israel, who alone does such wonderful things.

For He is good.

Bless His glorious name forever.

For He is good.

Let the whole earth be filled with His glory.

For he is good. Amen!

*Hymn

"O God Our Help in Ages Past"

#67, Red Book

Opening Prayer

God of the ages, we come before you now at the turning of the year. May we remember to keep you at the center of our lives, so that we may become more faithful followers of your word. As we look ahead to what this new year might bring, may we reflect upon the multitude of ways that we can use this year to grow closer to you.

(a time of silence)

As we move forward into a brand new year, may we do so knowing that you remain with us at our side. Amen!

Words of Grace

The God of history is the God of possibility. Our God, who shaped the earth, now shapes the future before us! Let us give thanks that as we move forward into the year, we remain in God's loving hands.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

As brothers and sisters in Christ, we share the grace of God. The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*Hymn of Praise

"This is a Day of New Beginnings"

#518, Red Book

First Reading

Ecclesiastes 3:1-2, 4-7

Second Reading

Philippians 3:12-17

Sermon

Carol Struck

Hymn

"Help Us Accept Each Other"

#487, Red Book

A Time of Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Sharing our Gifts and our Offerings

As we have said many times, God is so good to us, so now the least that we can do as his Christian followers is to give our gifts with love, and being able to share that love to others in need.

Offertory *"Lullaby for the Christ Child"* James Pethel

Doxology #46, Red Book

Prayer of Dedication

Holy One, bless these gifts we bring before you, that they might be symbols of our renewed dedication to you for another year. Continue to guide our words and our actions so that we might make our world a better place for all of your beloved children. Amen!

*Hymn *"Let There Be Peace on Earth"* #677, Red Book

*Benediction

Postlude *"O, How Joyfully"* Arr. Cindy Berry

Minister: Carol Struck

Music Director: Jennifer Trakas

Christian Education Director: Sheri Buckingham

Greeters: Diane Krugman and Carolyn Winson

Ushers: Pam and Jack Attkisson, Ted and Sandy Vancs

Organist: Bryan Bird

Liturgist: Tom French

In Our Prayers:

Chuck Anthony

The Truman Family

Char Gerber

Janet Gregory

Mary Ann Kloss

Judy Beckett

Hodgson Family

Diane and Bill Wallhead

Here's What's Happening...

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| January 3 | WoF Noodlers, 9:00am |
| January 5 | The Men's Group |
| January 7 | W&M Communion Prep, 10:00am |
| January 8 | Sunday Service and Communion, 10:30am |
| January 8 | Coffee Hour Taco Bar/Freewill Offering, 11:30am |
| January 8 | Hospitality Team Meeting, 11:30am |
| January 9 | Circle One Meeting, 6:30pm |
| January 9 | Finance Team Meeting, 6:30pm |
| January 9 | Endowment Team Meeting, 6:30pm |
| January 10 | WoF Noodlers, 9:00am |
| January 10 | Executive Team Meeting, 6:30pm |
| January 11 | WoF Crafters, 10:00am |
| January 11 | New Year's Potluck Set-up, 5:00pm |
| January 11 | New Year's Potluck Dinner, 6:00pm |
| January 12 | Men's Group, 9:00am |
| January 12 | Worship and Music Team Meeting, 6:30pm |
| January 15 | Newsletter Articles Due in Church Office |
| January 15 | M&O Second Collection for Emmanuel |
| January 15 | Sunday Service, 10:30am |
| January 15 | Hospitality Birthdays Coffee Hour, 11:30am |
| January 17 | WoF Noodlers, 9:00am |
| January 19 | Men's Group |
| January 22 | Sunday Service, 10:30am |
| January 22 | Food Pantry Offering |
| January 23 | Chicken Paprikas/Cabbage Roll Ticket Sale Begin |
| January 24 | WoF Noodlers, 9:00am |
| January 25 | WoF Crafters, 10:00am |
| January 26 | Men's Group, 9:00am |
| January 29 | Sunday Service, 10:30am |
| January 29 | Leadership Team Meeting, 12:00pm |
| January 31 | WoF Noodlers, 9:00am |
| February 2 | Men's Group, 9:00am |
| February 4 | W&M Communion Prep, 10:00am |
| February 5 | Cub Scout Sunday |
| February 5 | Sunday Service and Communion |
| February 7 | WoF Noodlers, 9:00am |
| February 8 | WoF Crafters, 10:00am |
| February 9 | Men's Group, 9:00am |
| February 9 | Worship and Music Team Meeting, 6:30pm |