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*November 21, 2025*

### *From the Pastor*

This Sunday is Christ the King Sunday which is the triumphant celebration of the end of the church liturgical year. Next Sunday we'll celebrate Advent and the beginning of a new liturgical year. Christ the King Sunday is a relatively new religious observance established in 1925 by decree of Pope Pius XI. Originally it took place on the last Sunday in October, just prior to All Saints' Day. Beginning in 1970 (the year I was born), Christ the King Sunday was celebrated on the last Sunday of the Christian year, a week before the season of Advent begins. On this Sunday, many flavors of Christian churches give thanks and praise for sovereignty of Christ, who is Lord of all creation.

In preparation for worship, I invite you to read, think and pray about Luke 22:33-43. What kind of Savior & king did Jesus turn out to be? How did that encourage and sadden early believers? How did it challenge or confirm their understanding of God's work in the world? How does Jesus challenge or confirm our understanding of what it means to be a king and what God's kingdom may be like?

Click [here](#) for the worship bulletin. Worship is streamed on the [UPC website](#) and [YouTube](#) channel.

*Peace, Pastor Lisa*

### **NO Outdoor Workday Saturday, November 22nd**

I (Pastor Lisa) confused the dates. There is no outdoor workday this Saturday. However, anyone and everyone is welcome to pull weed, to pick up trash, etc. whenever they have time.

In case you haven't heard...

**Abraham's Pantry was awarded a \$2,500 grant  
to purchase food and supplies!**



The [Horizon Community Foundation](#), a local foundation, released emergency grant funds to assist with the huge increase in food needs due to SNAP disruption and the government shutdown. The funds are being overseen by [BeConcerned](#) who took requests from [Safety Net Alliance of NKY](#) food agencies and distributed the funds as requested. Laura Pears requested \$1,500 - \$2,500 for Abraham's Pantry and received the full \$2,500. Thanks be to God!



### **FRESH Thanksgiving Bags for Gallatin County CAC Due Sunday, November 23rd**

Please purchase the items on your list, fill the grocery bag, and add \$5 to help pay for turkeys. Bring your items back to church on **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23rd**. Please attach the list to your bag. The Thanksgiving fairies will deliver fresh produce to our neighbors on the morning of **Tuesday, November 25th** just in time for a bountiful Thanksgiving feast! (At this writing we have enough Thanksgiving delivery fairies. We'll let folks know if a need arises.)

### **Hanging of the Greens This Sunday, November 23rd**

After worship, we will "make this place glad" as we prepare for the Advent season. We will decorate God's gift of our facility to welcome the birth of our Savior, and many hands will make light work in this endeavor.



### **Christmas Pageant Organization and Preparation**

It's time to organize and prepare for the program to be offered in worship on December 14th. We obviously need folks (children and adults) as actors. Some will have speaking parts. Others will not. There is room for YOU!

We also need folks to prepare and assist with:

- Staging
- Costumes
- Props and
- Sound.

Please contact [Heather Dern](#) asap if you are willing to participate in this celebration of the season.



The Angel Tree is up in the narthex. There are 2 angels for each child. One angel lists clothing sizes and needs. The other angel lists wants like toys, makeup, etc. You are not expected to purchase every thing on the list. You are asked to sign out your angel then check the appropriate box when its gifts are returned. If you'd like an angel emailed to you, contact the [church office](#); and we'll send you the info.



**UNWRAPPED** gifts are due by Sunday, December 14th.  
Please attach the angel to the gift.



Come, celebrate the blessings of the season  
and God's gift of community!

# CHRISTMAS UNION

At

## Union Presbyterian Church

10259 US 42 Union, KY

FRIDAY, DECEMBER ● 5 ● 6PM-8PM

A casual evening of refreshments, musical entertainment by Union Children's Choir and the Front Porch Singers from Colonial Heights, and crafts for the young (or the young at heart).

Dress festively for an evening of fun and fellowship.

This is a drop-in event. Come when you can. Leave when you must.





Click [here](#) to RSVP. Reservations are not required; however, they help ensure we have enough food and supplies.



## Christmas Eve Poinsettias

Help beautify the sanctuary on Christmas Eve by purchasing a poinsettia in honor or memory of someone or to the glory of God. You may purchase these beautiful flowers by signing up on the sheet in the Narthex, by clicking [here](#) or by emailing the church office. Poinsettias cost \$15 each and can be taken home after the Christmas Eve service. A dedication page will appear in the Christmas Eve bulletin. The proceeds help support conferences and retreats

## Longest Night Worship Saturday, December 20 @ 7pm

December 21 is the longest night of the year and reminds us that this festive season isn't joyful for everyone. This special worship service is for people who are grieving this holiday season and feel the weight of the darkness not just on the "longest night". Loss of loved ones, of relationships, of jobs, of health, or of many other things can quell our joy during this time of anticipation and celebration. This service will give space for people to acknowledge those feelings while also hearing God's word of hope and healing for all of us. We will also have a time of lighting candles of remembrance for those who have joined "the great cloud of witnesses" (Hebrews 12:1). We hope you will share the information about this service with anyone who would be blessed by it.



### Schedule for This Week

Christ the King Sunday  
Sunday, November 23rd  
Thanksgiving Bags DUE  
9:30am Choir Warm Up  
10am Worship w/ Communion

Sunday School after worship for  
K-3rd, 4th - 7th and adults

Hanging of the Greens  
after worship

Monday, November 24th  
9am Yoga  
7pm Boy Scouts Troop 805



### BIRTHDAYS

11/24 - Lisa Denham  
11/28 - Kat Tasev  
12/3 - Ellis Golden  
12/7 - Elaine Johnson,  
Laura Vergara  
12/8 - Jessica Wood  
12/9 - Joe VonLehman  
12/17 - Drusie Miller  
12/19 - Callan Lintelman



### Online Giving

You may give online or via text through the [UPC website](#). You can make a one time gift or set up a recurring gift. You may make a memorial or honorary gift and even pay for youth conferences. The online

Tuesday, November 25th  
6:30pm NO CUB SCOUTS

Wednesday, November 26th  
9am Yoga  
6:30pm NO CHOIR  
8pm AA

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

Thursday, November 27th  
& Friday, November 28th

**First Sunday of Advent**  
**Sunday, November 30th**  
9:30am Choir Warm Up  
10am Worship

Christmas Pageant practice  
after worship

12/20 - Karen Kemp,  
Becky Melchior  
12/21 - Sharen Frost  
12/25 - Holly Hillman



**ANNIVERSARIES**

11/26 - Devin & Katie  
Beasley  
11/27 - Dave & Sue  
Kozlowski  
12/19 - Kevin & Bethany  
Brewer Ball

transaction processes the  
gift from your checking  
account, savings account,  
credit card or debit card and  
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