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# FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

*Disciples of Christ, 13820 Studebaker Rd., Norwalk  
9:00 a.m. Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Worship  
Church Office: 562.863.3485*

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*Sunday December 9, 2018*

ACOLYTES

OPENING PRAISE “All Hail the Power of Jesus ‘Name!’”  
Pg. 91 (vs. 1,2)

CALL TO WORSHIP

INVOCATION

HYMN “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” Pg. 119 (vs.1,3)

NEWS OF THE CHURCH

COLLECTION OF PRAYER REQUESTS

HYMN “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” Pg. 576 (vs. 1,3)

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD’S PRAYER

**In Unison:**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!

PRAYER RESPONSE 306

HYMN “Take My Gifts” Pg. 381 (vs. 1,3)

CALL FOR THE OFFERING *Elder*

RECEIVING OF GIFTS *Diaconate*

\*DOXOLOGY 46

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost**

\*BLESSING OF GIFTS *Elder*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**In Unison:**“I BELIEVE WITH ALL MY HEART, THAT JESUS IS  
THE CHRIST, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD, AND MY  
PERSONAL SAVIOR.”

WORDS OF INSTITUTION  
PRAYER OF DEDICATION  
LORD’S SUPPER

*Elder  
Elder*

**This is the table of Jesus Christ; all who follow Christ are  
invited to receive Holy Communion.**

CHILDREN’S TIME

**SCRIPTURE TEXT:** Luke 1:68-79, Luke 2:25-33  
**SERMON:** “What Are You, What Am I Expecting?”

**Pastor Stan Hirtle**

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

“This Is Father’s World” Pg. 59 (all vs.)

THOSE DESIRING TO COMMIT THEIR LIFE TO  
CHRIST JESUS BY ACCEPTING HIM AS LORD AND  
SAVIOR, OR BECOME A MEMBER OF THIS  
CONGREGATION BY TRANSFER AND  
RECOMMITMENT, ARE INVITED TO COME FORWARD  
AT THIS TIME.

\*BENEDICTION

*Pastor*

\*PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE

+REQUESTED HYMN

# SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

## OPENING CEREMONIES 9:00a.m.

1<sup>st</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Classes, Sunday School Wing

Adult I, Pastor's Office

Adult II, Front Office

## WORSHIP SERVICE 10:00 a.m.



**The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) believes:**

- †The Bible alone as our Rule and Guide
- †God as the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
- †The Supremacy of Jesus Christ
- †The Unity of All Christians in Christ
- †The Two Ordinances of Our Lord:

**Baptism by Immersion  
Communion**

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The Friendly Community Church Serving Jesus

## HOW TO REACH US

Church office: 562.863.3485

Tues thru Fri 9:00am-1:00pm

Bonnie Woo or Tom McDonnell

**CHURCH E-MAIL** [fcc.fccnwk@outlook.com](mailto:fcc.fccnwk@outlook.com)

**WEB:** <http://fccnwk.org>



**12/9** Congregational meeting

**12/10** Elders meeting

**12/17** Worship meeting

### December 2<sup>nd</sup>

First Sunday of Advent.  
Jeremiah 33:14-16;  
Psalm 25:1-10;  
1Thessalonians 3:9-13;  
Luke 21:25-36.

### December 9<sup>th</sup>

Second Sunday of Advent.  
Malachi 3:1-4;  
Luke 1:68-79;  
Philippians 1:3-11;  
Luke 3:1-6.

### December 16<sup>th</sup>

Third Sunday of Advent.  
Zephaniah 3:14-20;  
Isaiah 12:2-6;  
Philippians 4:4-7;  
Luke 3:7-18.

### December 23<sup>rd</sup>

Fourth Sunday of Advent  
Micah 5:2-5;  
Luke 1:46-55 or Psalm 80:1-7  
Hebrews 10:5-10;  
Luke 1:39-55.

### December 30<sup>th</sup>

First Sunday after Christmas Day  
1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26;  
Psalm 148;  
Colossians 3:12-17;  
Luke 2:41-52.

Elders serving December 9, 2018: Neil Moore, Stan Hirtle

**CALL TO WORSHIP**  
**Luke 1:68-72**

One: "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them.

Many: **He has raised up a mighty savior for us in the house of his servant David, as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,**

One: that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us.

Many: **Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors, and has remembered his holy covenant,"**



**OUR PRAISES**

Our pastors and their families; our church family, our music, Beautiful Hills (SP), all our blessings (JW). Isabell's cousin, Hope, is home from the Hospital (IA).

**OUR CONCERNS**

Jim Dawson needs prayers for good health (DS). Bernard and Valerie still need prayers (DS). Bernard's problem is still undiagnosed (BW). Stan's granddaughter, Annie, continues on dialysis; and the family is trying to get her on the kidney transplant list (SH). God's healing for Bernard, Dave, Frances Hirtle, and Kay Nance (VH). Good Health for Kay Nance, Roger Reyes, Irene Ledesma, and Lisa Reyes. Travel mercies for all those traveling, including Derrick, and the Scovel's in their travels back and forth (BW). Pray for the health of our congregation (JD). Kay Nance's son is back from his trip to Hawaii (KN). Anna Shim is recovering from cancer surgery (SH). Keep the Porrino extended family in prayer (SH); health also for the Tafarella extended family and for all our church families (SP). Remember in prayer our shut-in's: Darlene, John, Verna, and Bonnie Stowell (SH). Keep Verna Dawson, Thelma Mytys, Frances Hirtle, Ilene Hogue and Fran Stowell in prayer, each with medical concerns (DS).

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Welcome friends. Luke reminds us that Christ come "to shine on those living in darkness and...to guide our feet into the path of peace (Luke 1:79). Let us open ourselves to the light of the Savior and walk in love and peace with one another as the children of God.

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***Sunday December 9, 2018***

*In today's bulletin there is a sheet of paper. Please take the time to fill out your prayer requests, concerns, and praises. They will be picked up by the Elders to be read at the Pastoral Prayer time.*

***First Christian Church of Norwalk—A Fun atmosphere of fellowship, worship and praise for the entire community.***

**The Flowers today are provided by Derrick and Bonnie in honor of their nephew's birthday.**

