

Meditation

***Dreams Repeat What is Best***

**RESPONSE**

Invitation to Discipleship

\*Hymn of Communion    ***Christians All, Your Lord Is Coming (vs. 1,2,3)***  
No. 136

*(In Christ's name we welcome all persons into membership into the church by confession of faith and baptism or by transfer of membership. Please step to the front pew during the singing of this Hymn of Communion.)*

Elder's Meditation

Dick Cain

Words of Institution

Don Martin

Prayer of Consecration

David Wagner

*(All believing Christians are invited to share in the Lord's Supper, regardless of church affiliation. You may eat the Bread as it is passed, but hold the Cup to drink together.)*

Communion Music

One: The bread which we break is our communion in the Body of Christ.

**All: The cup of blessing for which we give thanks is our Communion  
in the blood of Christ. Amen.**

Benediction

\*Recessional    ***Angels We Have Heard on High***    No. 155  
*(ring bells on the refrain)*

Postlude

***Il Est Né***

French Carol

Dee Dee Gain, organ

*(Please remain in your pews until the Acolytes have left the aisle.)*

*\*All who are able, please stand*



**Central  
Christian  
Church**

(Disciples of Christ)  
Decatur, Illinois  
[www.cccdisciples.org](http://www.cccdisciples.org)

***Sunday, December 22, 2019***

**Michael E. Karunas**  
Senior Minister

**Don Martin**  
Minister of Music

**Tina Miller**  
Associate Minister of  
CE and Family Life

**David Martin**  
Youth Director

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
*Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope*

**GATHERING**

Prelude *Bell Carol* William Mathias  
Dee Dee Gain, organ

Introit

\*The Processional *Angels, from the Realms of Glory* No. 149

\*Responsive Reading Zach Martin

Leader: Prepare the way! The promise is come.

**People:** **The lion shall dwell with the lamb!**

Leader: Prepare the way! The old with the young!

**People:** **A child shall teach us to stand!**

Leader: Prepare the way! Make the paths straight!

**People:** **Earth shall fill its deep valleys!**

Leader: Prepare the way! Break dark walls of hate!

**People:** **Mountains shall fall to their knees!**

**All:** **The Way is approaching! Servants keep watch. Soon we shall see the salvation of God!**

\*Invocation

\*Lord's 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.**

\*Gloria Patri No. 35

Children's Message

Tina Miller

Lighting the Advent Candle

Zach Martin & Laura Chapman

One: Let us pray together.

**All: Gracious God, our time of waiting is almost over. We pray that we have prepared well and that we have proclaimed and witnessed to Christ's coming. Now we pray that we are now willing to allow him to enter our hearts and lives. In his name we pray. Amen.**

**PRAYER**

Prayer Hymn *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming* No. 160

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer Response

*(If you want someone to pray with you after this service, please meet an Elder in the church gallery just to your right as you leave the sanctuary)*

**PROCLAMATION**

Offertory Invitation

Offertory *Tomorrow Will Be My Dancing Day*  
arr. David Bottom  
Brass Choir

\*Doxology No. 46

\*Prayer of Dedication

Anthem *Creation Will Be At Peace* Anna Laura Page  
Chancel Choir

Scripture Readings Isaiah 11:1-9 Michael E. Karunas  
(pg. 640-641 O.T.)

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

IN SERVICE TODAY Sunday, December 22, 2019

**Elders:**

8:00 & 10:30 - Dick Cain & David Wagner  
9:00 - David Wagner

**Deacons:**

8:00 - Team 1 - Gene & Sandy Garver, Gail Prince, Debbie Hoffert,  
Al & Chris Fagin, Pamela Bednar, David Wagner  
9:00 - Kathy Matherly  
10:30 - Team 2 - Christine Lyman-Harm, Janet Lyman, Dale Ford,  
Jeannie Rade, Erik Harm, Kathy Kauzlarich, Ron Oliver, Steve  
Swarthout, Cindy Grabowski, Janelle Beedle, Tom & Diane Ritter,  
Paul Gorden, Roberta Gorden, Thomas Karunas

**Ushers:**

8:00 -Team 4 - Hazel Perry, Capt., Jerry & Susie Bean, Karen Penn  
10:30 - Team 9 - Kim Miller, Capt., Audrey Miller, Ron Oliver, Bill Modlin

**Greeters:**

8:00 - Jim & Debbie Hoffert  
9:00 - Laura Chapman  
10:30 - Bob & Mary Jane Linton

**Acolytes:**

10:30 - Jane & Emmy Osman

**P.A. Operator:**

8:00 - Donna Dash  
10:30 - Mike Kirby

**Preparation of Communion:**

Ron & Jan Dobbs, Karen Penn, Becky Johnston

**Liturgist:**

8:00 & 10:30 - Zach Martin  
9:00 - Deb Trei

**Hospitality:**

9:00 - Cheryl Zollinger

**Tech:**

9:00 - Jodie Walwer & Mike Tanzyus

Sunday School Classes	Floor	Room
Koinonia	2	212
Ecclesia	2R	240
Chalice	2	207
6th grade - 12th grade	2R	280
Kindergarten - 5th grade	2R	230
Nursery (Birth - 5 years old)	1R	150

## CHURCH CALENDAR



**Sunday (22)**

8:00-Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary  
9:00-Contemporary Worship, Great Hall  
9:00-Fellowship Coffee  
9:00-Youth Sunday School Classes  
9:15-Adult Sunday School Classes  
10:30-Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary  
12:00-Praise Team rehearsal  
NO Youth Group

**Monday (23)**

**NO PRESCHOOL**

11:00-Teschner visitation & funeral

**Tuesday (24)**

**NO PRESCHOOL**

5:00-Contemporary Service  
6:30-Harp Concert  
6:30-Kids Crafts  
7:00-Traditional Service & Children's Programs

**Wednesday (25)**

**NO PRESCHOOL**

**CHURCH AND OFFICE CLOSED**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

**Thursday (26)**

**NO PRESCHOOL**

10:00-Alanon, 240

**Friday (27)**

**NO PRESCHOOL**

**Saturday (28)**

**Sunday (29)**

8:00-Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary  
9:00-Contemporary Worship, Great Hall  
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our social media  
coordinator, would  
love to be Facebook  
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Please friend  
request Hannah.**

### "Come They Told Me": 2019 Christmas Special Offering

As partners in ministry, the Regional Church and local congregations work together. The staff and volunteers of the Christian Church in Illinois and Wisconsin serve local congregations and their leaders in the following ways: Starting new churches, providing youth activities including camp experiences, leading anti-racism training, offering mission opportunities, promoting transformation and helping with communication. Thank you for sharing your gifts. 100% of these offerings go to support CCIW ministries. We will receive these offerings TODAY.

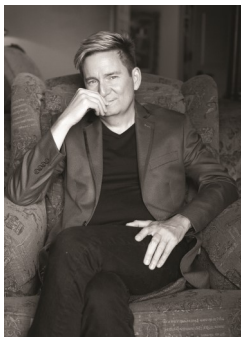


**Christmas Eve**  
**Blanketed by the Love of Christ**  
*Communion and Candlelight Services*

<b>Contemporary Worship</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>
<b>Harp Concert</b> <small>Children's Crafting</small>	<b>6:30 pm</b>
<b>Traditional Worship</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>

**Join Us!**

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### New Year's Eve Concert

**Tuesday, December 31st, 7:30 PM**

**Randy Elkins, organ**

Randy Elkins is Director of Music at Virginia-Highland Church, a staff organist at both the Plaza and Strand Theatres and House Organist at Callanwolde Fine Arts Center, all in Atlanta, GA.

## ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC

Anthem *Creation Will Be at Peace*

Words: J. Paul Williams

Music: Anna Laura Page

In the holy mountain of the Lord all war and strife will cease;  
In the holy mountain of the Lord creation will be at peace.  
The wolf will lie down with the lamb, the cow and bear will feed,  
Their young will play together; A little child will lead.  
The leopard and goat will graze, the lion will feed on straw,  
They will war no more. A little child will lead them all.  
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In the holy mountain of the Lord creation will be at peace.

—CCLI #1762523

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- "Like" our pages (Central Christian Contemporary Worship/Central Christian Church)
- "Follow" our pages (click on the ellipse and then select "Follow")
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  - Take pictures and video
  - Share to our Facebook page (and yours!)

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