

Order of Worship

Striving to be what Christ tells us through Scripture.

December 28, 2025

10 AM

PRELUDE

"Angels Carol"
Amy Duran, piano

John Rutter

WELCOME

Pastor Waldis

Our Approach to God

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 148

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the heights!

People: Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!

Leader: Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!

People: Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

Leader: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created.

People: He established them forever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

Leader: Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command!

People: Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

Leader: Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!

People: Young men and women alike, old and young together!

Leader: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.

People: He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him. Praise the Lord!

*HYMN

"Love Has Come"

#256

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Pastor Waldis

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Word of God

HYMN SING (The congregation will choose three hymns.)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 63:7-9 p. 693 (OT)
Matthew 2:13-23 p. 2 (NT)
Chris Novak, Liturgist

SERMON "All Is Not Bright" Pastor Waldis

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

Our Response to God

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER #815

JOYS, THANKS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

THE GENERAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" #258

*BENEDICTION
(Please be seated for the Postlude.)

POSTLUDE "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" arr. Dan Coates
Amy Duran, piano

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PRAYER CONCERNS: Anonymous; Roger Carman; Lauren Clarke; Harold Friedeman; Marilyn Hams; Janet Kosack; Nancy Lanzalotto; Craig Terjanian; Sue Wood.

PLEASE JOIN US for coffee and fellowship down in Founders' Hall at the other end of the building.

Sunday, January 4, 2025

10:00 AM – Worship with Communion

11:15 – Congregational Care

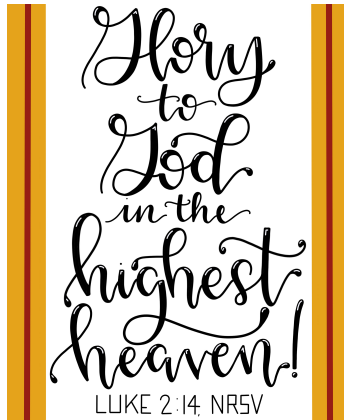
CHRISTMAS ENVELOPES are available in the pews and on the table in the narthex for your convenience in making special Christmas donations to CCHP. Make your checks payable to Community Church.

YOUR 2026 OFFERING ENVELOPES are in the narthex. Please take them home with you today. If you don't see envelopes with your name on them, please email cchp@verizon.net or tell Lori Anders, and she will issue you envelopes.

THE 2026 FLOWER CALENDAR is on the bulletin board. Sign up to donate flowers for worship to memorialize a loved one or celebrate an occasion. The cost is \$25 per bouquet; make your checks payable to Guild for Christian Service; fill out a dedication slip; place it in the offering plate or on Lori's desk in the church office. Please—no more than 2 bouquets per Sunday.

ACCORDING TO THE BOOK OF CHURCH ORDER, consistories are required to publish the names of persons elected as elders and deacons preceding their installation in order that "any legitimate objections may be presented to the Board of Elders for its judgment." Those elected at our congregational meeting and scheduled for installation on January 11th are listed below. Please speak to Les Cox or Zach Waldis if you have any questions.

**Class of 2027 – Deacons: Alison Campbell, Keith Michels, Steve Tillack
Elder – Craig Budinich**



Welcome to the Community Church in Harrington Park!

We are glad you are here today. Here are a few things that might be helpful to you.

Large print hymnals are available, as well as hearing assistive devices. Please speak to an usher.

Restrooms are just outside the sanctuary in the main hallway opposite the office.

It would be a big help to us if you would either fill out one of the white pew cards in front of you and place it in the offering plate or sign the guest book on your way out.

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