

Anticipate & Celebrate

'Songs of the Advent'

December Sermon Series

Christmas songs can be rich and inspirational, lifting our spirits and setting our souls to flight. The pace and theology of "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" are triumphant and profound. The lines and strains of "O Holy Night" are moving and motivational. The message and melody of "Silent Night" are tender and touching. From traditional hymns and carols to holiday choirs and ensembles, few things capture the essence of Christmas like its repertoire of beautiful music.

In this year's Advent series, we will examine the original "songs" shared that first Christmas as recorded in Luke's Gospel. We will explore the Old Testament foundations of these prophetic songs composed by those who had a front row seat to "the dawn of redeeming grace." When Jesus came into the world, ordinary folks sang from the depths of their heart. Twenty centuries later, the church continues their song.

DECEMBER 1

Mary's Song

"Magnificat"

DECEMBER 8

Zechariah's Song

"Benedictus"

DECEMBER 15

The Angels' Song

"Gloria in Excelsis Deo"

DECEMBER 22

Simeon's Song

"Nunc Dimittis"



*Now in Flesh
Appearing*

Hebrews 1:1-3

Celebrate 'God in Flesh Appearing' at the 2024 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

The Christmas Eve candlelight service at Christ Community Church is one of the highlights of our church year. Our theme for 2024 is "**Now in Flesh Appearing**" from Hebrews 1:1-3.

The service will be held at **7:00 p.m.** and will feature traditional Christmas carols, a brass ensemble, an inspiring message, and the lighting of candles during "Silent Night." Plates for a **benevolence offering** will be available at the back of the sanctuary to help needy families in our community.

Invite a friend to come find hope and encouragement in the good news of Jesus Christ at Christ Community Church.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES AT CHRIST COMMUNITY

SATURDAY

December 7

Join us at 8:30 a.m. in Zinn Commons for a church fellowship **breakfast**.

SUNDAY

December 19

Sign up now for the church **luncheon** to be held after the worship service.

SUNDAY

December 24

The **Christmas Eve candlelight** service begins at 7:00 p.m. in Dech Chapel.

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