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Who We Are

We lovingly **invite** people into a relationship with Jesus Christ, **equip** them with a faith in Him that works in real life, and **send** them into the world for service in Jesus' name.

To learn more about entering into a life-changing relationship and commitment with Jesus Christ, and membership with Mt. Moriah, please contact Pastor Kerry Wood.

Reach him via email (kerry.wood@mtmoriahumc.org) or phone (513.752.1333). He looks forward to engaging with you!

To receive the weekly "Life/Faith Connection" email, which holds all our announcements and useful links, please send your request to OFFICE@mtmoriahumc.org. We will add you to our distribution list but never share your information to outside groups.

Sunday, December 19, 2021 Welcome to Worship

Welcome to our worship experiences!

Please use this guide to maximize your participation in worshipping today.

We are still the Church together even when physically separated!

If joining us online, please let us know of your participation by making a comment in the chat window as you're watching—both in realtime or in a later viewing.

Opening Instrumental	"Away in a Manger" "Ring, Christmas Bells"	Brass Quintet
Advent Reading and Candle Lighting		
Congregational Response		screen
Opening Praise	"How Many Kings"	Praise Band
Scripture Reading	Matthew 1:18-25	Leila Hines
Musical Offering	"Joseph's Song"	Hands of Praise
Kids Time		Natalie Claytor
Musical Offering	"A Thousand Candles"	choir
Meditation 1	"The Hard Thing"	Pastor Kerry
Musical Offering	"Noel Nouvelet" "Wexford Carol"	Violin and Piano
Meditation 2	"The Harder Thing"	Pastor Kerry
Doxology		#95
Offering Thanksgiving		Pastor Kerry
Closing Praise	"He is Born"	#228
Opportunities, Blessing and Dismissal		Pastor Kerry
Postlude	"Jesus Ahatonhia"	Doug Heflin

12/20 Mon.....Isaiah 7:10-16
 12/21 Tue.....Luke 1:26-38
 12/22 Wed.....Matthew 1:18-25
 12/23 Thu.....Luke 1:39-45
 12/24 Fri.....Luke 2:1-20

Weekly Calendar

Sun., 12/19

8:30am Worship
 9:45am Faith Formation/Sun. School
 9:45am Faith Circle SD, parlor
 11am Worship

Mon., 12/20

Christmas Anonymous pickup, parlor
 10am Purls & Chains, off site
 4:00 Faith Circle LG, parlor
 6:30 Jochebed Circle, Reasoner home

Tues., 12/21

6:00 Brownie Troop, fellowship hall

Wed., 12/22

8:30am Pastor Discipleship Band, conference rm
 10am Bible Study, parlor
 4:00 JbF Discipleship band, parlor
 5:30 Praise Band, sanctuary
 6:35 Brass, sanctuary
 6:45 NA mtg, Fellowship Hall
 7:30 Choir, sanctuary

Thurs., 12/23

Fri., 12/24

Christmas Eve
 5:00 Family Friendly Service, sanct.
 7:30 Christmas Eve Service, sanct.
 11pm Christmas Eve Service, sanct.

Sat., 12/25

Christmas Day

Sun., 12/26

10am Worship - one combined service
 no Faith Formation/Sun. School

 Monday 12/27 — 12/31
 Office closed

Sun., 01/02

10am Worship - one combined service
 no Faith Formation/Sun. School

Sunday Schedule

Our new times:

8:30am worship
 9:45am faith formation/Sunday school
 11:00am worship

Christmas Worship Schedule

December 24, 2021

5:00 Family Friendly Worship
 7:30 Candlelight Worship
 11:00 Candlelight Worship

December 26, 2021

10am One Service (no faith formation classes)

January 2, 2022

10am One Service (no faith formation classes)

The church office will be closed Dec. 24th-31 between Christmas and New Year's Eve. The first week of January the office hours will be 10am-3pm with wonderful volunteers staffing the office. On Jan 9, 2022 the worship schedule returns to
 8:30am worship
 9:45am faith formation classes
 11am worship

Today, we are presenting our Mt. Moriah Staff with Christmas gifts. We sincerely thank our staff members for their dedication and commitment to the church and the community in 2021. Should you have missed the opportunity to make a donation to these gifts, you may still do so by cash (in a marked envelope) placed in the offering plate or mail to the office. Mail donation to: Mt. Moriah UMC 681 Mt. Moriah Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45245. Additional donations received will be presented in January. Thank you for your support of our staff. Elyse Skiles, Lay Leader

Jochebed Circle Christmas Gathering, Monday, Dec 20

Ladies, come out tomorrow at 6:30pm for our Christmas party, held at Linda Reasoner's home (3489 Ballymore Court/Cincinnati, OH 45245). Everyone bring a kids breakfast cereal that we will donate to the food pantry.

Support our Youth in Mission

Check out our youth mission fundraiser in the Worship Center's welcome area — a Christmas ornament display by the youth. Choose your favorite ornament by dropping your loose change or bills in the corresponding bucket to vote. All donations go to the youth to offset their personal expense to serve and represent Mt. Moriah in the mission field. Thank you!

Offering Envelopes for 2022

Thank you to everyone who turned in a Statement of Faith Commitment Card to help with planning for ministry in 2022. If you checked the box to receive envelopes, they are available in the Worship Center welcome area now. We run the envelopes in-house, so even if you didn't request them, please let me know how many you would like (12, 24, or 52), and we will run them for you. Thank you for your generous support of the Church. Phyllis Branson, Financial Secretary, 513.478.2232, goldlabpab@cinci.rr.com

January 2022 Communion Mission Offering

As you receive Christ's Holy meal on January 9, you can give to share Christ's love contributing to the work of Sauls Homeless Shelter, Batavia, OH. Saul's is still housing 35-45 people in motels during Covid 19. There is a great need to help others and give them HOPE and show them LOVE. Please mark your envelope for missions. If you are worshipping on line you may mail your contribution.

New Wednesday morning Bible Study (with options for in person or via Zoom!)

Beginning January 12 at 10 am every Wednesday for this 7 week study titled "Seamless": Understanding the Bible as one Complete Story. Whether you've grown up hearing Bible stories or you're exploring scripture for the first time, the full story of the Bible can become overwhelming. In this study you will see how the whole Bible from Genesis to Revelation connects as one beautiful seamless thread. Interested? Contact Sylvia Daniel 513 248-2435 or 513 313 3917.

HOW MANY KINGS

Written By Marc Martel

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Key of F

Intro: F FMaj7 dm7 dm7 gm7 gm7

Verse 1:

F dm7 gm7
Follow the star to a place unexpected; Would you believe after all we've projected a child in a manger.
F dm7 gm7
Lowly and small, the weakest of all; Unlikeliest hero wrapped in his mother's shawl,
Bb/C C Bb/C C
just a child. Is this who we've waited for?

Chorus:

F FMaj7 dm7
'Cause how many kings, Stepped down from their thrones? How many lords have abandoned their homes.
gm7 C F FMaj7
How many greats have become the least for me? And how many gods have poured out their hearts, to
dm7 gm7 C
romance a world that has torn all apart? How many fathers gave up their sons for me?

Verse 2:

F dm7 gm7
Bringing our gifts for the newborn Savior; All that we have whether costly or meek, because we believe.
F dm7
Gold for His honor, and frankincense for His pleasure and myrrh for the cross He'll suffer.
gm7 C
Do you believe; Is this all we've waited for?

Chorus

Tag:

C7 F C7 F
Only One did that for me! Only One did that for me.

He Is Born

19th Century French Carol

♩ = 115 *Refrain*

He is born, the ho-ly Child, Play the o-boe and bag-pipes mer-ri - ly! He is

bom, the h - oly Child, Sing we all of the Sav - ior mild.
1. Through long
2. O how
3. Je - sus,

ag - es of the past, Pro - phets have fore - told His com - ing;
love - ly, O how pure Is this per - fect Child of Hea - ven;
Lord of all the world, Com - ing as a Child a - mong us,

Through long ag - es of the past, Now the time has come at last!
O how love - ly, O how pure, Grac - ious gift to hu - man - kind!
Je - sus, Lord of all the world, Grant to us Thy heav - enly peace.