



**December 7<sup>th</sup> 2025**

**Welcome!** If you are visiting with us, we want to extend a heartfelt welcome. Please help us connect with you by filling out the connect card and placing it in the offering plate during the service. We're honored that you've chosen to worship with us today.

**Advent Devotional Booklet Available!**

The Central Kentucky Cooperative Parish of the United Methodist Church has gifted us with a collection of Advent Devotionals. This can be found on our website, [www.richmondfumc.org](http://www.richmondfumc.org). We have printed a small number that are available at the front of the sanctuary.

**Helping our Community**

We would like to help our Community members in two different ways this season. We hope that you will support one or both of these opportunities!

- **Mitten Tree** – We are collecting warm gear for the community. There are trees in the back entrance to the church and in the MMC entrance where you will be able to “hang” mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, etc., for those in need.
- **Food Baskets** – Please donate items to help us build food baskets. Food will be distributed to families prior to Christmas. Please bring items to the Church office.
  - \* Canned vegetables
  - \* Canned fruits
  - \* Non-perishable boxed goods
  - \* Monetary donations (we will purchase gift cards for families to purchase perishable items (meat, dairy, etc.)

**Youth Progressive Dinner | December 10<sup>th</sup>**

Our Youth will participate in our traditional progressive dinner. They will visit homes of 3 church members and share in a meal (appetizer, main dish and dessert) at each home. Any Youth that want to participate should let Amanda know this week.

**Wednesday Night Live-Classes and Meals**

December 10<sup>th</sup> will be our last WNL class/meal for this semester. We will start back up on January 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Christmas Cantata and Unity Sunday | December 14<sup>th</sup>**

Please join us for this very special service at 10:00am in the Sanctuary. Our Choir will bless us with their talents as they perform a special music program entitled “Glory to the New Born King”. We hope to see you for this celebration – Come, experience the Joy!

**December Birthday Celebrations | December 14<sup>th</sup>**

After the Cantata, we will celebrate our December birthdays in the Fellowship Hall. Please let the office know if you have a December birthday that is not on this list.

<b>December Birthdays</b>	
Elizabeth Bendure	2-Dec
Diana Botner	5-Dec
Ellen Thomas	8-Dec
William Ridgley	10-Dec
Dave Thomas	10-Dec
Morris Thompson	11-Dec
Terri Killin	12-Dec
Richard Bendure	22-Dec
Teresa Lowe	22-Dec
Benjamin Taylor	22-Dec
Carol West	24-Dec
Courtney Kleppinger	24-Dec
Patrick Ridgley	26-Dec
JoNelda Cole	28-Dec
David Rice	28-Dec
Bobby Botner	29-Dec
Isaac Espada	29-Dec
Nancy Adams	31-Dec

#### **Happy Birthday, Jesus! Party | December 17<sup>th</sup>**

Our Youth and Children will participate in a special birthday party on Wednesday, Dec 17<sup>th</sup>. It will be held in the MMC starting at 6pm.

#### **Christmas Eve Services | December 24<sup>th</sup>**

Join us at one or both services on Christmas Eve. Family Service begins at 5:00 pm and Midnight Service will begin at 11:00 pm. Both services will be held in the Sanctuary.

#### **Winter Blitz | January 23-24**

This event will be held at Georgetown First UMC this year. We are still working out details (departure, return and lodging accommodations). We invite ALL youth to participate. Talk to Amanda if you want to attend.

#### **2026 Church Directory | Starting in January**

The Church Office will start working on an updated directory after the New Year. Please email Jane in the Office if you would like to submit a picture (or a newer picture) for inclusion in the directory. Deadline will be January 31, 2026.

#### **Multi-Ministry Center (MMC) Coordinating Committee**

After much discussion, our Administrative Council has recommended that we develop a committee that will oversee our MMC. This committee's charter may include such things as scheduling events/groups, fee structures, policies, etc. While the Trustees are the ultimate managing body for the MMC, this committee will assist in the areas listed above. We are looking for a dedicated group of individuals that are interested in being part of this committee. If this interests you, please call the church office to volunteer your time and efforts . . . it is open to anyone that has a love for our ministries that take place in the MMC.

#### **The Chosen study group | January 11, 2026**

This study group will resume in January. They meet Sunday afternoons at 2:00 pm in the Parlor. This season tells the stories of Holy Week through the Last Supper. This viewing group will follow a weekly rotation with an episode, after show discussions and Bible roundtables with writers and scholars from different faiths. All are welcome to join. Talk to Jo Lynn Linville if interested (or just show up on Jan 11<sup>th</sup>!)