
THE GATHERING

*If you would like a hearing assistive device,
please ask an usher.*

Prelude

Improvisation on "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

Welcome

Rev. Jane Eesley
Senior Pastor

*Call to Worship

Let us heed the call to prepare the way of the Lord.

**For he brings hope and light to all people who
walk with him.**

Sing praises to the name above all names.

Shout for joy, for your Messiah is coming!

Alleluia!

Written by Christine Swanberg

*Hymn of Praise

Hail to the Lord's Anointed UMH 203

Opening Prayer

**Merciful God,
you sent your messengers the prophets
to preach repentance and prepare the way for our
salvation.**

**Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake
our sins,
that we may celebrate aright the commemoration
of the nativity,
and may await with joy
the coming in glory of Jesus Christ our Redeemer;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

HEARING THE WORD

*Scripture Lesson Matthew 3:1-12

Sermon Rev. Jane Eesley

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Prayers of the People

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 trespasses, as we forgive those
who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation but deliver us
from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the
glory, forever. AMEN.**

SENDING FORTH

*Closing Hymn

Blessed Be the God of Israel UMH 209

Benediction

Postlude

Come, Savior of the Nations Samuel Scheidt

*Please help us create an atmosphere of prayerful
silence during and after the postlude so that all may use
the space for personal devotion.*

**You may stand.*

Upcoming Events & Ministries:

Buy poinsettias to decorate the church for Christmas!

See your usher for order envelopes.

Orders due Sunday, December 21st.

**Wed., December 10, 5:30 PM,
Weeds Tavern**

1555 N Dayton St, Chicago
Wrap Gloves for Hope's Table

**Sat., December 13, 3:30 PM,
Heritage Room**

Advent Bible Study: *On the Way to Bethlehem*

**Sun., December 14, 9:30 AM,
3rd Floor Conference Room**

Advent Bible Study: *On the Way to Bethlehem*

**Sat., December 20, 3:30 PM,
Heritage Room**

Advent Bible Study: *On the Way to Bethlehem*

**Sat., December 20, 5 PM,
Dixon Chapel**

Longest Night Service

**Sun., December 21, 8:30 AM,
Sanctuary**

Love the Lowly Service of Music & Reflections

**Sun., December 21, 9:30 AM,
3rd Floor Conference Room**

Advent Bible Study: *On the Way to Bethlehem*

**Sun., December 21, 11 AM,
Sanctuary**

Love the Lowly Service of Music & Reflections

Music

Phillip Kloeckner
Chicago Temple Organist

Chapel in the Sky Tour

Wednesday after 12:10PM - 12:40PM Service
Check in with an usher.

FUMC Clergy

Rev. Jane Eesley
Senior Pastor

Rev. Hyewon "Sophia" Carno
Associate Pastor

Rev. Dr. William Schweiker
Theologian-In-Residence

Piers Feters
*Director of Generational
& Outreach Ministries*

Don Dongwhan Oh
Seminary Intern

WORSHIP TIMES

WEDNESDAYS – 12:10 PM TO 12:40 PM

SATURDAYS – 5 PM

SUNDAYS – 8:30 AM & 11 AM

SIGN-IN

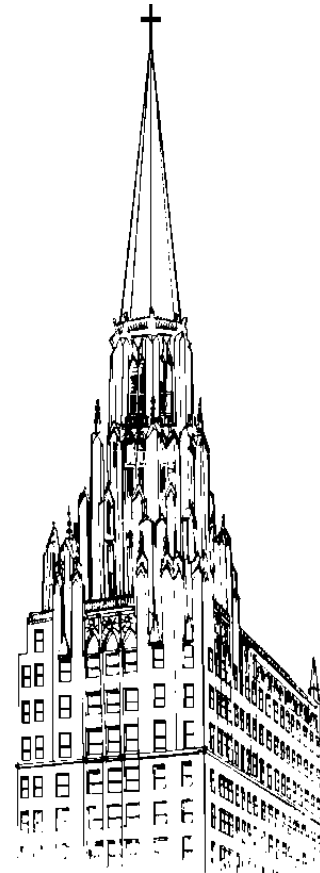


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Mission Statement

The mission of the United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Statement of Welcome and Inclusion

We welcome all people to the life of this congregation. We believe that we are all in need of God's love and grace and that God, through Jesus Christ, intends the church to be a community that incarnates love, grace, and justice for all people. Holding true to that belief, we welcome and encourage all persons, including persons of all sexual orientations and gender identities, in every aspect of our Christian life together.

Vision Statement of Our Congregation

We reflect the face of a loving, accepting God. All we serve experience a sense of welcome and a compelling drive to make a difference. And our pioneering spirit keeps us open to new ways to follow wherever Christ leads.

Wednesday Service 12:10 PM
FUMC at the Chicago Temple – 12/10/25