



# Welcome to Ivy Chapel UCC!

We're grateful you've joined us for Sunday Worship.

First Sunday of the month Communion is offered.

Dec. 21, 2025

Ivy Chapel's KYP  
(Keeping You Posted)



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Deacons appreciate everyone's cooperation in maintaining a safe and welcoming worship environment. We ask that everyone continue to respect those with compromised immune systems and take precautions as needed.

21 Dec 2025, Fourth Sun of Advent: Isaiah 7:10-16,, Mathew 1:18-25

During this Advent Season we will explore the theme of  
"Come to Us, Abide with Us"

Join us today as we light the Fourth Advent candle to  
"Expand Our **Love**"



## Christmas Eve



We hope you are able to join us in-person at 5pm this Wednesday, December 24th for our Christmas Eve service. Join us in celebrating the coming of the Christ child. Worship will feature the story of the birth of Christ and conclude with singing "Silent Night" by candlelight.

## Poinsettias For Christmas Merry Christmas to All

Poinsettias Provided by:

Dottie Foster  
Donna Grote  
Kathryn Kuntzman  
Steve and Linda Lowry  
Jack and Ann Molyneaux  
Joann Moody  
Ebello and Norma Pasia  
Frank Purviance

Gail Thoele  
Rev. Carol Trissell  
Valerie Waterman  
John Weiland  
Ralph and Myrna Weiland  
Jan Wirtz  
The Mary and Martha Group

Thank you for letting us celebrate the birth of Jesus with your poinsettia. After the Christmas Eve Worship, you are welcome to take yours. if you are unable to take your poinsettia at that time, they will be available in the narthex for pick-up after the Christmas Eve service. Merry Christmas!

24 Dec 2025, Christmas Eve: Isaiah 52:7-10, Psalm 98, Hebrews 1:1-4(5-12), , John 1:1 –14  
28 Dec 2025, First Sun after Christmas Day: Isaiah 63:7-9, Matthew 2:13-23

# Ivy Chapel Staff Gifts

Ivy Chapel UCC members and friends-as you may know, we collect for Ivy Chapel staff Christmas gifts



this time of year. If you would like to contribute, please make checks payable to Ivy Chapel UCC, with "Staff Gifts" on the memo line. You can designate your gift toward a specific staff member, or it will be divided according a typical distribution used in past years. Please mail your check to Ivy Chapel to the attention of Financial Secretary Don Wolff no later than **Friday December 19th** or bring your check in person to worship service on **Sunday December 21st**.  
Thank you -- John Weiland -- Moderator at Ivy Chapel UCC

Many thanks to Tara Lowry who lead Advent Storytelling! Thank you to our puppeteers, our readers and support from Steve and Linda Lowry. It was a fun and festive evening!!



The Ivy Chapel UCC office will be closed from Dec. 23rd to Jan 2nd for the Christmas holidays. Email will be checked regularly. For any emergencies please call the after hours line- 314-705-6822.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

19th- Audrey Farrell



## IVY YOUTH Sundays

Dec.21— “The Merry Mix-Up Pageant” during Worship  
**NO Confirmation Class or FAITH101 today**  
Dec.28— Grab a worship bag and join us for the service

### GREETER/USHER

21 Dec—Kathryn Kuntzman  
& Jack Molyneaux  
24 Dec—Frank Purviance  
28 Dec - Julie McAlister  
& Dave Mentzel



### CARE CORPS

- DEC — Debbie Glenn 314-954-2286  
Evelyn Stecher 636-536-6542
- JAN — Dottie Foster 314-878-4286  
Gail Thoele 314-576-0091

### LITURGIST



21 Dec — The Youth  
24 Dec — John Weiland  
28 Dec — Kathryn Kuntzman

➤ **Men’s luncheon Jan 21— Hunan Empress 164 Four Seasons Shopping Center**

➤ **OUTSIDE GROUPS:** JUNIPER ROOT WOODLAND MICROSCHOOL M-F; SQUARE DANCING 2ND F; TKD M/T/W/TH; AA MEETINGS TUE & SAT, WOMEN’S TUE/THUR, YOUNG PEOPLE’S- SUN

# WELCOME TO THE CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

We are happy that you are here  
with us to share in this special  
part of the Christmas season  
and to hear the story of  
Christ's birth  
as told by our children.



## **"The Merry Mix-Up Pageant"**

**Ivy Chapel UCC Children's Christmas Pageant**

**December 21, 2025**

By Tara Lowry

### **Cast List**

Narrator 1 —Audrey Farrell  
Narrator 2 —Eli Willey  
Narrator 3 —Jack Fernandez  
Mary —Catrina Lowry  
Joseph —Rory Winship  
Angel — Blair Bittick  
Little Angel — Sadie Kempa  
Little Angel — Clare Lowry  
Little Angel/Innkeeper —Macie Kempa  
Shepherd —Holly Winship  
King Herod —Cole Winship  
Wise Person — Jane Farrell

# You're Invited!

## YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY!

There is no Christmas Party like an Ivy Youth Christmas Party. Youth from kindergarten to 12th grade are invited to come play games, watch Christmas movies, and enjoy tasty Christmas treats.

Linda and Steve Lowry have graciously offered to host the Youth Christmas Party at their home in the Creve Coeur area.

The Youth Christmas Party will be on Tuesday, December 30th at 6 pm.



# Youth Lock-In

Have you ever wondered what it's like to spend the night at Ivy Chapel? Well, for our youth in 4th grade and up, they are about to find out!



The Youth Lock-In will be from 6 pm on Friday, January 23rd to 10 am on Saturday, January 24th. There will be food, there will be movies, there will be shenanigans! Dinner and breakfast will be provided, but please be sure to bring a sleeping bag, blanket, and pillow, as everyone will be sleeping on the floor (my old lady back can already imagine what that will be like). Please let Tara Lowry know if you plan on attending.

If you have any questions regarding any of the youth activities please contact Tara at [taralowry96@gmail.com](mailto:taralowry96@gmail.com) or 314-973-6284.

# IVY YOUTH IN ACTION



Mark your calendars for Dec.21st to come and see  
“The Merry Mix-Up Pageant” during the 10 am worship service.  
Dress rehearsal will be the morning of Sat., Dec 20th-time tbd.  
Please reach out to Tara Lowry at [taralowry96@gmail.com](mailto:taralowry96@gmail.com) if interested.



## Looking Ahead:

Dec.21— “The Merry Mix-Up Pageant” during Worship

**NO Confirmation Class or FAITH101 today**

Dec.28— Grab a worship bag and join us for the service

**Dec.30—Christmas Party –6pm**

Jan. 4— Sunday School for kids up to seventh grade following the Children’s Message

**Confirmation Class meets after worship today**

Jan.11— Grab a worship bag and join us for the service

Jan.18— Sunday School for ALL youth following the Children’s Message

**Confirmation Class meets after worship today**

**FAITH 101 meets after worship today**

**Jan. 23-24 — Overnight LOCK-IN at Ivy Chapel– 6pm-10am**

Jan.25— Grab a worship bag and join us for the service

Feb. 1—Sunday School for kids up to seventh grade following the Children’s Message

**Confirmation Class meets after worship today**

Feb.8— ‘SOUPER BOWL of CARING’ Sunday

Grab a worship bag and join us for the service

Feb.15— Sunday School for ALL youth following the Children’s Message

**Confirmation Class meets after worship today**

**FAITH 101 meets after worship today**

Feb 18— Ash Wednesday

Feb.22— Grab a worship bag and join us for the service

Mar. 1— Sunday School for kids up to seventh grade following the Children’s Message

**Confirmation Class meets after worship today**

Mar.8— Grab a worship bag and join us for the service

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME STARTS**