Welcome to Ivy Chapel
United Church of Christ

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

Whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey– YOU are welcome here!

KYP-Keeping You Posted

25th Sunday after Pentecost
15 November 2026

Scripture readings for today: Psalm 123 and Matthew 25:14-30



Poinsettias for Christmas

It is again that time to order your poinsettia for Christmas. We will use them to decorate the altar mid-December and then you can take yours home after we celebrate Christmas Eve worship to decorate for Christmas. They will be available for purchase for $10 each from Donna Grote through Dec.6th.

Mark your calendars to join us on Sunday, December 20th for the annual Children's Christmas Pageant.
The children's Christmas pageant is always a highlight of the Season at Ivy Chapel. Come, join us as we celebrate the season with a special retelling of the Christmas story shared by Ivy's youth. Need more information? Want to participate? Contact Tara at tara@ivychapel.org.



Prayer Requests for this week:

Prayers for Healing :
Shirley Snyder, cousin of Donna
Angela Linder, friend of Tara
Ed Weiland, brother of Ralph
Bob Palck, friend of Evelyn
Wendy Patterson, niece of Linda
Maureen Miller, aunt of Kara
Mark Gerdes, friend of the congregation
Lindsey Lowry, sister-in-law of Steve and Linda

Prayers for Wisdom & Guidance :
Pastoral Search Committee

Prayers of Support and Comfort:
Dottie Foster
Frank Purviance
Nicole, Valerie's friend, in the death of her father, Keith Kottman
Doris DeFer, in the death of her son, Mark Melvin
Evelyn Stecher, in the death of her friend Anita Gamble
Rev. Sue Yarber, friend of Pastor Carol

Mary and Martha Wmns Grp

The Mary and Martha Women's Group will meet on Tue., Nov. 17th at 1:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room. We will fill the decorated boxes for Lydia's House to use as favors for their communal Thanksgiving Dinner.
Please bring a favorite Thanksgiving Memory.
We will plan a Christmas Basket for Seven Pines Emmaus Home Residents.

Just a reminder that if you regularly shop at Dierbergs, the gift cards we sell result in a **5% of the amount donation for Ivy Chapel.**
Dierberg's has a wide array of gift cards for Holiday giving and these can be purchased with the gift cards we sell.

Men's Luncheon THIS WEDNESDAY at 11:30 at Spiro's Restaurant.
For more information please contact Frank Purviance.

Christian Action

Christmas preparations begin early when there are many children and families to serve. This year Every Child's Hope is asking for $25 Amazon gift cards so that all children in their residential care , foster homes and day programs can receive a gift that has meaning for each of them. Beginning November 1, you can help bring joy by donating a $25 Amazon gift card or a monetary donation labeled ECH Christmas. Please place them in the offering plate or hand them to Kathryn Kuntzman any Sunday in November.
Thank you for sharing the Christmas spirit with the children.

Buy-A-Bird



Isaiah 58 provides holiday meals to over 700 local families. Each family receives holiday groceries and gift cards to celebrate the season with joy and grace.

A $40 donation buys one whole meal!

If you wish to donate, please make checks out to Ivy Chapel, Please designate Buy-A-Bird and place in the offering plate. Donations can be made through Dec. 14th.

Donations can also be made online by scanning this QR code —>

LOOKING AHEAD ON THE CALENDAR

UCC Tri-Family Annual Thanksgiving Feast



Sign up now for the annual Tri-Family Thanksgiving feast on Sunday, Nov 22nd at 11:30 at St. John's UCC.
We will again join together with our sister churches in the Chesterfield area –St. John's and St. Thomas- to have a meal and fellowship together. We will gather around the table to break bread with one another just like the first Thanksgiving.
Please sign up so we have plenty of turkey and bring your favorite Thanksgiving side or dessert to share.

Scan this code to sign up online —>

Hanging of the Greens

Be sure to join us on Sunday, Nov. 29th for a special service to celebrate the beginning of the Advent Season. We will be "Hanging the Greens" during worship. During our Fellowship Time following worship, there will be a Soup Potluck Lunch. After we have "fueled up" we will be finishing the rest of our decorating.

A sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex. We will be asking for crock pots of soup. The Christian Education Board will supply crackers, bread, drinks and dessert. Contact Linda Lowry with questions.

All hands are welcome! Come and share this festive time as we prepare ourselves and Ivy Chapel for the Advent Season, leading us to Christmas.

Annual Congregational Meeting Notice

Mark your calendars to join us on Sunday, December 6th after worship, for the Annual Congregational Meeting. Look for a letter from the Moderator and more information in the coming weeks.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Julie Mc Allister
Jennifer Wintrode & Thom Kuntzman

IVY YOUTH Sunday Worship

Nov. 15— Sunday School following the Children's Message
Confirmation Class meets after worship today
Nov. 22— Grab a worship bag and join us for the service
**** may change– check with Christian Education for details**

GREETER/ USHER

15 Nov — Dottie Foster and Gail Thoele
22 Nov — Kay and Earl Kreder

LITURGIST

15 Nov — Jim French
22 Nov — Audrey Farrell

CARE CORPS

NOV—Pat Winship— Valerie Waterman
DEC — Kay Kreder — Kathryn Kuntzman
Please reach out to the office if you need their contact information

Worship with Us

EVERY SUNDAY: Worship 10am with Coffee Fellowship directly after
FIRST AND THIRD SUNDAYS: Children's Sunday School after Children's Sermon
(The Lord's Supper: first Sunday of the month)

Find out more about us by visiting our website or following us on Facebook.

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