

Advent: the Coming of Christmas

Sunday, Dec. 1, 2013 10:45 am Worship

Sermon: "Bogat – Jesus' Family Tree"
Scripture: Matt. 1.1-16 • Holy Communion
Chancel Choir presents "Salve Regina"



Sunday, Dec. 8, 2013 10:45 am Worship

Music Celebration
Chancel Choir presents "Gloria" by Vivaldi
100th Anniversary honors our Music Ministry
Consecration Sunday – results of the Stewardship program
After-church reception in the library sponsored by Finance & Centennial Teams

Sunday, Dec. 15, 2013 10:45 am Worship

Sermon: "And What Shall We Name Him?"
Scripture: Isaiah 9.6
Children sing for worship

Sunday, Dec. 22, 2013 10:45 am Worship

Sermon: "What Child is This?"
Scripture: Luke 2.8-10
Special music of the Season

Thank you to everyone who
has already turned in
Estimate of Giving Cards!
NOTE: Deadline is Dec. 5.
See page 3 for details.

Christmas Eve • Wed., Dec. 24, 2013

5:30 pm • Holy Communion Candlelight Service
*Come early to hear the Christmas Carolers sing
& enjoy other special music starting at 5:00 pm*

*Reaching, Growing, Caring, Sharing
To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.*

Other Upcoming Events:

December:

Sun., Dec. 1 – 5:30 pm Genesis

Tues., Dec. 3 – 6:30 pm Circle of Friends at Carole Mehl's

Thurs., Dec. 5 – 6:30 pm "Learning to Love Like Jesus" Bible Study

Sat., Dec. 7 – Altar Guild decorates the Sanctuary, Family Foyer & Library

Thurs., Dec. 12 – 7 pm SIDS (Sudden Infant Death support) Candlelight Service

Sun., Dec. 15 – 5:30 pm Genesis

Wed., Thurs., & Fri., Dec. 25-26 – 27 OFFICE CLOSED. Merry Christmas!

January:

Thurs., Jan. 9 – Financial Peace University course

Sat., Jan. 18 – Administrative Board Retreat

February:

Feb. 6-9 -- Co-Ed Cursillo at CCUMC. See Phyllis Walters, Lindsey Montgomery or Pastor Jenn Klein for details.

Genesis to Study Advent

"Genesis," the Sunday evening Bible study, will delve into an Advent series this month.

This small group meets on the first and third Sundays of each month, from 5:00-6:30 pm. All are invited to the church for this informal time of worship, food, fellowship and contemporary Christian music.

For more information, contact Pastor Jenn Klein.

Be an Angel for Hillcrest

Our church will adopt two families from Hillcrest Transitional Housing in Independence, MO this holiday. Please choose an ornament from the Christmas tree, go shopping and return your unwrapped gift under the tree by Sunday, Dec. 8. Gifts will be delivered on Monday, Dec. 9. Thank you for your

supporting Hillcrest families!



Hillcrest's Transitional Living program gives shelter, food, support and skills training for working adults and their families who need support while going through tough times. Our church sponsors an apartment to help with this ministry.

Christmas Offering

One hundred percent of this year's special Christmas love offering will benefit missions that CCUMC is directly involved with on a local and global scope. Some of these include SERVE 2014, Harvesters, and our Garden Ministry.

NOTE: On Sun., Nov. 17 there was a special offering taken, giving over \$800 of support to the Philippines. UMCOR, United Methodist Committee on Relief, is currently going to the islands to provide water, food, shelter and other necessities to those affected by the recent devastating typhoon. Thank you for your contribution.

Gain Financial Peace

Thurs., Jan. 9, Kyle Hill and Errett Schmid will begin teaching the latest class on “how to handle money God’s ways.”

The Biblically-based series from Financial Peace University should be of interest to anyone who wants to learn how to get out of debt and stay there! Others in our congregation who have taken this course have found it invaluable.

Sign up now in the church office. Cost for the class, and time of day will be announced.

Please Make a Pledge.

Church planning for next year depends on you. If you have not yet filled out an [Estimate of Giving](#) form, please do so now and mail it to the church office. Your financial pledge is invaluable to planning programming, staffing and budgeting for necessities. Please send before Dec. 5.

Mail your pledge to CCUMC,
400 W. 57th St., KC MO 64113



Garden Team Plants Winter Crop

This time, it’s garlic. Gardening Angel, Carole Mehl says garlic can be planted any time until mid-December and hopefully will be ready for use by next summer. Licia Crawford, Ann Vernon and Monty Wilkerson helped Carole with the planting on Sat., Nov. 16.

Update on The Music Academy

Did you ever want to sing in the choir or ring handbells ... but didn’t think you had the ability?

UMKC Conservatory graduate students Laura Lowry & Matt Scrivner are offering voice lessons here at our church. In addition, Music Director Jacob Lowry plans to teach individuals or small groups how to read music.

Other musicians are making plans to begin teaching music lessons as well.

It’s all part of our budding music ministry, offering studio space to Conservatory students, and providing low-cost music lessons to the community.

The Music Academy at Country Club (previously referred to as the Hearson Music Academy) is funded with “seed money” from the Oct. 13 silent auction, and some moneys from the Hearson Music Fund.

For more information, contact Jacob Lowry. Ask about cost of lessons, and scholarship availability.

Fall Clean-Up Complete

Saturday, Nov. 9, a clean-up crew gathered at the church to trim, rake, weed and spruce up the lawn and flower beds around the church for winter.

Terry Ahern and grandson Garrett; Rusty Klein; Terri Norris; Carole & Gary Mehl; Holly Mehl and daughter Delaney Dunn; and Kirk Duncan completed the task.

Thanks to this team for a job well done.



Church Fire Exit is Re-Built

It's Josef Klein's project as part of his Eagle Scout badge, but Rusty Klein, Boy Scouts Brock Lorenzen & Nathan Brown, and Scout leader Bill Zanatta also helped. That's Josef in the back, wearing orange and on the ladder. Thank you, men, for re-building those rickety stairs, and making our building safe.

The Connection

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Most Fowl Congregation?

Eight frozen turkeys and over \$600 in cash were donated to Harvesters, Sun., Nov. 24, providing low-income families a good meal this coming Christmas. Other area churches competed for giving; results will be announced later.

Now Available: Roasterie Coffee "Centennial Blend"

Our personalized coffee is now available in Regular or DeCaff, and can be purchased for home use in one-pound bags (\$12) or small gift bags (\$3).

Did you know this coffee comes from Guatemalan and Brazilian farmers who, in partnership with The Roasterie, enjoy direct trade, (no middle man, no slave labor or unethical work practices).

It may cost a little more but this "coffee with compassion" is part of our mission to do the right thing for others. Profits from the sale go to our missions.

To purchase for Christmas, go to the Family Foyer while supplies last, or place a special order now.

Regular Sunday Schedule

9:15 am Fellowship – Family Foyer
9:30 am Sunday School for all ages
10:45 am Worship in Sanctuary

Wednesdays

10:30 am Prayer Group
6:15 pm Bell Choir rehearsal
7:30 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal

Fridays

6:30 am Centering Prayer & Breakfast

Church Office Hours

Mon.-Thurs. 8:30 am – 1:00 pm.
Closed on Fri., Sat., & Sun. mornings

Call 816-444-1616 to speak to Office Manager Kevin Huckaby, or leave a message. When not in the office, Pastor Jenn Klein can be reached on her cell phone at 816-769-2164.