

# **THIS WEEK AT GOLDEN HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**Worship, Meditation & Praise  
Christ the King Sunday  
November 24, 2024**

## **An Open and Affirming Congregation**

### **Our Vision Statement:**

**“We are called to connect all people with Jesus  
in loving, faithful, and authentic relationships”**

## **Online Worship Information**

### **Zoom Webinar Link and Log-In Information**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87318253668?pwd=ZEIIS1lhTnVIaUg3NDJ6cGJhUUxZdz09>

**Webinar ID: 873 1825 3668**

**Passcode: 210**

**Phone Dial In: (646) 931-3860**

**YouTube:** <https://www.youtube.com/@GoldenHillWorship/streams>.

## **~Grace Notes~**

### **Worship Attendance for last Sunday's Service, November 17<sup>th</sup> : 82**

November 16<sup>th</sup> : Covenant Group 8:30:

November 16<sup>th</sup>: Covenant Group 10:30: 6

November 17<sup>th</sup>: Adult Bible Study: 7

November 17<sup>th</sup>: In-Person Attendance: 72

November 17<sup>th</sup>: Online Attendance: 10

November 20<sup>th</sup>: Community Supper: 78

### **Worship Resource for November 24<sup>th</sup> - (Christ the King Sunday):**

*Prayer of the Day* - From the Monthly Prayers page of the Christian Aid website, <http://www.christianaid.org.uk/>. Re-posted on the re:Worship blog at <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/11/prayer-new-order.html>.  
*Call to Worship* - Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2024  
*Prayer of Confession & Assurance* - Written by T. Anne Daniel in *The Africana Worship Book, Year B* (Nashville: Discipleship Resources, 2007), 164.  
*Benediction* - Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2024.

### **Lectionary Scriptures for the Week of 11/24/24:**

2 Samuel 23: 1-7; Psalm 132: 1-12, \*Revelation 1: 4-8; \*John 18: 33-37

**\*Used in Order of Worship**

### **This Sunday at Golden Hill**

**10:30 A.M.** Worship Experience ~ Sanctuary

**Hospitality Team:** Beth Federici, Kyle Labuff, Carl Moore

**Sanctuary Liturgists:** Sonya Green, John Machledt

**Tech Team:** Daniel Pettit, Diana Moore & Jasmine McLaughlin

**Stewardship Campaign:** The 2024 Golden Hill UMC Stewardship campaign, titled G.I.F.T. “Growing in Faith Together - Growing to Serve,” kicked off on Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. We’re inviting all GHUMC members to come home. The series will run for three weeks, featuring sermons and laity messages about the importance of giving our gifts and how they relate to the sacrifice of Christ and the gifts of life. We’ll explore how our gifts connect to our faith, our living, and our thanksgiving. Our gifts encompass not only money but also our commitment, presence, and service.

Stewardship Sunday is on November 24th. If you cannot be with us that morning, please mail your pledge card to the church office, **Attention: Stewardship**

**Campaign**, so we can dedicate it along with those presented during worship that morning, as an expression of our gratitude and commitment to God and our church. As you prepare your pledge to Golden Hill United Methodist Church for the year 2025, remember the greatest gift is Christ, who empowers us all to keep giving so that we continue to experience the blessings of a rich and heavenly harvest. We look forward to seeing you in virtual or in-person worship for the upcoming worship series: G.I.F.T. “Growing in Faith Together: Growing to Serve.”

Pledge cards can be picked up at the back of the Sanctuary. However, if you wish to have a pledge card mailed to you, please call the church office at (203) 336-0152. May God bless your giving!

**Christmas Baskets:** This year we will be providing “baskets” of food and gifts to 80 families.

As we have for the past few years, we will be including a combination of food items and gift cards. We are looking to gather the following food items: **tuna, rice, cereal, peanut butter, soup, stuffing, dry gravy packets** and **instant mashed potatoes**. Each family will receive grocery store gift cards for them to purchase the remainder of the items that would have been in the baskets. This will allow our families to purchase the items appropriate for their celebrations. We are looking for \$10 gift cards to any of the following stores for groceries: PriceRite, Stop and Shop, Target and Walmart.

If you would like to donate a **turkey** for Christmas baskets, please get in touch with Phyllis Machledt.

We will be distributing a combination of toys and gift cards for children this year. We are looking for unwrapped gifts for children ages 0-11 and \$10 gift cards to Target for children ages 12-18. (They will be combined so that each child receives \$25 to purchase a gift.)

As always, if you would rather make a monetary donation to the program, that would also be much appreciated. Checks should be made out to Golden Hill UMC with “Christmas Baskets” in the memo.

**All donations are due into Golden Hill by Sunday, December 8.**

Thank you all for supporting the Christmas basket program in whatever way you can.

**Weekenders:** Thanks so much for your help in providing 24 bags of food each weekend for students who are food insecure. Whether you can contribute one item or many, it is all much appreciated. We are currently looking for the following items: juice boxes, individual pasta, cereal bars, cold cereal, chocolate milk, mac and cheese cups, fruit cups, individual nuts packages, 5-6 ounce tuna and canned pasta. Thank you so much!

### **Music Ministry**

Looking for a way to debut your singing talents and praise the Lord outside of your car or shower? Join the Holiday Choir.

What is the Holiday Choir? Every Christmas everyone has the chance to join their voices with the chancel choir to celebrate the newborn king. One year we had over 40 voices.

Rehearsals will be weekly following coffee hour starting on November 24th. The holiday choir will sing in Worship Christmas Sunday as well as Christmas Eve.

Remember all are welcome. All singing abilities, all ages, all are welcome.

Any questions? Please see Dan or a member of the chancel choir

### **THIS WEEK'S HAPPENINGS ~ NOV 24<sup>th</sup> – NOV 30<sup>th</sup>**

Thur. 11/28 Thanksgiving Day – Church Office Closed

## **Meetings that happen weekly at Golden Hill UMC**

**Every Sun.** 9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday Bible Study is held in the Parlor  
(Unless in Summer Hours)

### **Every Monday thru Friday – Daily Inspiration**

***You are invited to join us daily at 7:30 a.m. and 12 noon to listen to a brief devotional message, scripture reading and prayer from the Upper Room series.***

Call from any phone (605) 475-4756; listen for the instructions to enter the Access Code: 899169 and then the pound # sign. To ensure a clear audio experience for everyone, please put your phone on mute. If you do not have a mute feature, please call from a quiet location with no background noise like pets, TV or people talking. You can conference call in if you are interested in being a reader, please contact Beth Federici at (203) 521-1467.

**Every Wed.** 5:00 p.m. Community Supper (Take Out)

6-9 p.m. Boy Scouts in Locke Hall & Library

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir – all who love to sing are welcome!

**Covenant Groups:** Are continuing to meet regularly; please consider joining a group to explore and develop your spirituality. We realize that no one can attend a session every week, but if you can commit to 2 or 3 sessions per month, you and the other members of the group will benefit from your participation. Groups meet:



### **Please Remember in Prayer...**

**Homebound:** Harry Clauss, Jean Curtin, Ullie Drew, Wally Hurd Jr., Sandra Ericson, Mildred Fuller, Bruce Hunter, Carlton & Dorrette Johnson, Gordon & Julie Lewis, Picardy Marshall, George & Barbara Nelson, Cynthia Smith.

**Healing Prayers:** Bateman Harris, Brenda (Co-worker and Friend to Rene Reed), Carol Ferris, Julie Lewis, Diane Severance, Shirely Kerr, Rev. Jim & Barbara Stinson, Dick & Linda Deible. Rev. Les Pettit (Dan's dad).

**Health Concerns:** Please lift up in prayer Montego (Hazel Dalmage's friend – Pat Seon's nephew), who was diagnosed with cancer. Also give his mother – Jean Estes prayers for strength as she goes through this journey with Montego. Please keep Pat Longway in your prayers. As well as prayers for Ina Rockhead (Louise Crosbie's friend).

**Under Doctors Care:** Christine (Sonya Green's Sister).

**The Prayer Chain:** The Prayer Chain is available to all who would like specific prayers said for a particular person or issue. Your request will be held in strict confidence by the members of the chain. By policy, members of the Prayer Chain will pray daily for two weeks or until told that the issue is resolved. Requests may be sent to: [jane.edla.52@gmail.com](mailto:jane.edla.52@gmail.com). (This ministry is separate from the Prayer Requests listed in the weekly bulletin.)

**GOLDEN HILL PARISH STAFF E-Mail:**

**The Reverend Jeremiah J. Paul, Senior Pastor – [PastorJ@goldenhill.org](mailto:PastorJ@goldenhill.org)**

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**Lawrence Sistrunk, Sunday Sexton [Sexton@goldenhill.org](mailto:Sexton@goldenhill.org)**

**Office hours: Tuesday, 9:30 am to 3:00 pm**

**Wednesday, 9:30 am to 5:00 pm**

**Thursday, 9:30 am to 3:00 pm**

**Friday, 9:30 am to 12:00 pm**

**Office Phone: (203) 336-0152**

## Poinsettia, Wreaths & Holiday Greens at Golden Hill

### Deck the Halls at Advent to Honor or in Memory of Family & Friends

Counting down the days to the start of Advent and Christmas, we remind you that we want to adorn our church with beautiful poinsettia, wreaths, and greens for the season. If you would like to be part of this, please complete the form below with the name(s), in memory or in honor of someone you know and return it to Opal Crosdale with the specified amount you want to give. The suggested donation is \$30; however, any amount (more or less) will be accepted. Please call Opal Crosdale with any questions (203) 878-7371 or see her at church.

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#### Christmas Flowers & Greens Donation

**Deadline: December 16, 2024**



In Memory/In Honor of (circle one)

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*(Name of person(s) remembered or honored)*

Donated by

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Donation Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Please print all information exactly as you wish it to appear in the church bulletin and return to the church office or to Opal Crosdale by December 16<sup>th</sup>. Checks may be made out to Golden Hill United Methodist Church, with Christmas flowers in the memo line. You may also use the online giving tool on our website at

[www.goldenhill.org](http://www.goldenhill.org) to donate



