

Our Church Statement

We seek to know God. We are grounded in unconditional love. We affirm all persons.

We learn from one another as we follow the teachings of Jesus Christ, an outsider who tore down dividing walls and calls us to unity. We are progressive, relevant, and committed to seeking peace and building hope through worship, service, social justice, and education.

No matter where you are on your faith journey, or how you worship, we welcome you to help us build our community. This includes all races and ethnicities, sexual orientations, gender identities, ages and stages of life, abilities and disabilities, and socioeconomic backgrounds.

Our Journey Together is Know God. Love Unconditionally. Affirm All.

Want to learn more about FUMC Ann Arbor?

Join the Church Walk and Talk! It happens once a month on the first Sunday. Gather outside the church office through the left door at the front of the sanctuary. Two knowledgeable lay people will lead a 15-minute walk around the church. Learn more about the church and get your questions answered. Visitors are especially welcome.

Large-print bulletins & audio devices available from the ushers

A family lounge is available in the narthex and offers a quiet space.



First United Methodist Church of Ann Arbor

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Downtown Location

120 S. State Street • Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Green Wood Location

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Announcements can be found on our website www.fumc-a2.org/latestnews



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Church Center check-in is available to CC users

Christmas Eve 2024

Downtown
5:00 pm service



Family Christmas

December 24, 2024
5:00 p.m.

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*Following the scripture reading, each child is invited to come up
and select one of the nativity dolls to add to their collection.
Your child's selection is our gift to your family.*

*We thank Ellen Lewis for creating the nativity dolls and our thanks to
Dr. Paul Haebig for leading our music this evening!*

Welcoming Music Offertoire de Noel - Jacques-Nicolas LemmensDr. Paul Haebig

Words of Welcome.....Rev. Jenaba Waggy

***Call to Worship** (responsive)led by Selyna Beverly
written by Cheryl Lawrie, <http://holdthisspace.org.au/>

*We are here
because we have heard a promise of peace
and we have faith its day will come
we have heard a rumor of justice
and we have faith its day will come
we have heard a whisper of hope
and we have faith its day will come
we have heard a hint of love
and we have faith its day will come
we have heard of the birth of the Christ-child
and we have faith his day is here.
Welcome to Christmas
Welcome to worship, together.*

***Opening Carol** Hark! the Herald Angels Sing (UMH #240)
Lyrics to this and other carols are included in the song sheet

Lighting Candles at the Advent Wreath.....led by the Thatch family

Prayer of Invitation

written by Sarah Speed, A Sanctified Art "How Does a Weary World Rejoice?" Words for Worship

Carol What Child Is This (UMH #219)

Christmas Instant Dramaled by Rachel McCollum

***Carol** Joy to the World (UMH #246, vv. 1, 2, 4)

Scripture Reading Luke 2:1-20 (The Inclusive Bible)Rev. Jenaba Waggy

Christmas Prayer

***Carol** Silent Night, Holy Night (UMH #239)

Be sure to lift your lit candles on the last verse!

Christmas Blessing

Postlude Votre bonte grand Dieu - Claude Balbastre.....Dr. Paul Haebig

*We wish you a very
Merry Christmas!*

Please return your candles to the
baskets as you leave.

