Christmas Eve – December 24, 2011
3:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m. Worship Services
Rev. Dr. Creighton Kaye, Senior Pastor

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SERVICE
December 24, 2011
3:00 and 5:00 p.m. worship

PRELUDE
Dianne Kime & JoEllyn Zenisek

GREETING
Rev. Dr. Creighton Kaye

OPENING HYMN
“O Come All Ye Faithful” (vs. 1,3,6) No. 234

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN
“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” No. 240

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT AND CHRIST CANDLES
*Amy Oestreich & Ann Hutler (3:00)
**Noel & Kevin Cookman and family (5:00)

HYMN
“Joy to the World” (vs. 1,2,4) No. 246

SCRIPTURE
Luke 2:1-7

RECEPTION OF CHRISTMAS OFFERING
“We Three Kings of Orient Are”
Don Damaschke, Greg Holmes, JoEllyn Zenisek

SCRIPTURE
John 1:1-5,14

SPECIAL MUSIC
“Winter Snow” Erin Parsons

MESSAGE
“I’ll be Home For Christmas!” Rev. Dr. Creighton Kaye

THE LIGHTING OF OUR CANDLES
Be careful with the lighting of your candle. Hot wax is dangerous. Therefore, the
lighted candle should not be tipped. The person receiving the light should tip his/her
unlighted candle toward the lighted candle.

SPECIAL MUSIC
“Peace, Peace”

CLOSING HYMN
“Silent Night”
(Please join Pastor Creighton in lifting your candle when he lifts his candle.)

Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright; round yon virgin, mother and
child; holy infant, so tender and mild; sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in
heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night, shepherds quake at the sight; glories stream from
heaven a-far, heavenly hosts sing alleluia! Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born!

Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love’s pure light; radiant beams from thy
holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace; Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE
Dianne Kime

* Amy Oestreich is the Associate Director of Children’s Ministry and Ann Hutler is
the Children’s Ministry Assistant at EUM.
**Kevin Cookman is the Chairperson of the Mobilize Committee and Kevin & Noel
are Co-Chairs of the Share the Dream Campaign Committee.
CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE INFORMATION

Extinguish your candle and please take it home. Then re-light the candle at home this evening to remind you of God’s light coming into the world.

WELCOME to our Christmas Eve Celebration! We are glad that you are here with us! May you feel God’s presence and the warmth of Christian fellowship as you worship with us.

Have a Blessed Christmas, Everyone! May this Christmas be filled with love and peace for you and your loved ones. May the joy that comes at Christmas be in your heart always and may you share that joy with others.

There is a staffed nursery at the 3:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m. services for children 2 years old & under. No nursery at 9:00 p.m.

2011 Christmas Eve Budget Offering! December! Christmas! Giving and receiving! What a wonderful time of the year! Thank you! God gave to us His son so that we could receive life.

NOTE: All 2011 contributions, whether budget or designated, must be postmarked no later than December 31, 2011 in order to be applied to 2011 giving statements. If giving online, please do so by December 29th and make sure your settlement date is prior to or on December 31st. The church office will be closed on December 26th, 27th, and 30th. Thank you for your understanding and for your year-end contributions to the ministry of EUM.

REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE (Begins again January 8)

Worship
9:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
Nursery care is available at BOTH services

Adult Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Faith Alive, Explorers
10:30 a.m. Crossbearers & Seekers, 3-D’s

Youth (6th-12th grade)
9:00 a.m. Discipleship 101
9:00 a.m. Middle School Small Groups & High School Small Groups

Children (Birth-5th grade)

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See Information Desk or an usher for room locations
Pagers are provided for all nurseries

CHURCH INFORMATION

Flowers on the altar were provided as a Christmas gift to Don and Bev Schumacher from their brand new baby grandson, Dylan John. Merry Christmas!

Join us tomorrow morning for our Christmas Day service at 10:00! Devin Tharp will be sharing the message. Also, join us next Sunday as we ring in the New Year with one worship service at 10:00! Holy Communion will be served and John Fleming will be sharing the message. Bring a friend!

Winter Weather Policy! As a reminder, the following policies should provide you some guidance regarding winter weather: During the week: If Racine Unified closes, the church will be closed. Evening activities also follow the schools - if Unified cancels evening activities, so does EUM. On Sundays: Check the website before leaving your home. We have only canceled church one time in ten years and that was due to power failure brought on by the snow. It’s always a good idea to check the website!

EUM now offers a mobile version of our online giving page to make it easy for you to give anytime from your smart phone. Simply scan the image you see here using your phone’s Quick Response (QR) code reader!

Join our e-newsletter mailing list! If you do not already receive The Bridge via email each month, you can sign up by going to www.eumchurch.com and clicking “Resources” and then “Newsletters.” We do not send the newsletter via regular postal mail unless you call the church office (632-8381) and request to receive it in this way.

Dear Faithful EUM Members,

Your 2012 Giving Envelopes are in Memorial Lounge near the fireplace. Please find yours today and begin to use them as we enter into the new year. Please do not use your 2011 envelopes in 2012, as we have renumbered the envelopes for the coming year to simplify the church record-keeping. Most regular online givers will not be assigned a box of envelopes for 2012. If you do not see your name on a box and would like one assigned to you, please call the office at 632-8381 or email Alliston at office@eumchurch.com. Thank you!

Please remember, in order to maintain the cleanliness of the sanctuary and out of respect for the worship experience of all, refrain from bringing coffee or soda into the sanctuary. Thank you for your cooperation.

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**NEW CLASS BEGINS SOON**

**Faith Alive**

**SUNDAY MORNING SHORT-TERM CLASSES**

*Faith Alive* consists of short-term classes offered at the 9 a.m. hour in the chapel during the 2011-2012 school year.

**Our next class begins on January 8th:**

**Boundaries in Marriage**

January 8—February 26

facilitated by Jeff & Cheryl Buenger

*DVD-based Study: Henry Cloud & John Townsend*

Only when a husband and wife know and respect each other’s needs, choices, and freedom can they give themselves freely and lovingly to one another. *Boundaries in Marriage* will pay huge dividends wherever couples desire to understand the friction points or serious hurts in their marriages—so they can move beyond them to better understanding.

**Remaining 2011-2012 classes include:**

- **Detours in Christian Belief:** Ancient Heresies & How to Avoid Them Today
  - March 4—April 22

- **Making Room for Neighbors**
  - April 29—May 27

**Celebrate Recovery**

*Begins February 9*

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered, biblically-based, 12-step program designed to offer a time-tested tool for recovery from our hurts, habits, and hangups. It is a safe place where all who come can grow stronger in their personal relationship with God.

Beginning **February 9, 2012**, EUM will be offering *Celebrate Recovery* every Thursday evening from 6:30 - 8:30 pm.

If you would like more information, or would like to volunteer in this ministry, please contact Mike or Bethany Topel at 619-1948 or m.topel@sbcglobal.net.

**GREAT PROGRAMS COMING TO EUM**

**February 5—May 6**

Do you really believe that what you believe is really real?

Focus on the Family’s *The Truth Project* is a DVD-based small group study that practically and personally introduces viewers to the truth claims of God. This class provides participants with an in-depth Christian worldview experience that is transformational.

Bill Nygaard will be leading this study in his home on Sunday nights. Sessions build on one another so a time commitment to the class must be made. Class size is limited to ten people.

Contact Pastor Karin if you’d like to sign up: karin@eumchurch.com
**Help Beautify Our Sanctuary**

*Altar Flowers*

Beautiful altar bouquets will...

1. **Share your feelings for a loved one!**
   Flowers can be given in honor of a living friend or relative or in memory of a deceased loved one. Whether a birthday, anniversary, date of death, or just because... Share your love. The Sunday bulletin will announce from whom and to whom the flowers are given.

2. ** Beautify our sanctuary!**
   Fresh flowers add a special touch to any celebration... Especially the weekly celebration of our risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

3. **Bring sunshine into the life of an EUM family member who is in the hospital, a nursing home, or a shut-in.**
   Flowers will be divided into two to four smaller bouquets in vases and then delivered to hurting or lonely EUM members.

A sign-up sheet for altar flowers is located at the Information Desk - reserve your Sunday today! You are responsible for asking the florist to deliver the flowers to the church by 2:00 p.m. on Friday.

Call the church office (632-8381) or email us (office@eumchurch.com) for more information!

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**Calendar**

- **Saturday, December 24 - Christmas Eve**
  - Candlelight Worship Services at 3:00, 5:00, & 9:00 p.m.
  - Nursery available for ages 2 & under at 3:00 & 5:00
  - No nursery available at 9:00

- **Sunday, December 25 - Christmas Day**
  - One Worship Service at 10:00 a.m.
  - Nursery available for ages 2 & under
  - Devin Tharp preaching

- **Monday, December 26 - Tuesday, December 27**
  - Church Offices Closed

- **Wednesday, December 28 - Thursday, December 29**
  - Church Offices Open

- **Friday, December 30**
  - Church Offices Closed

- **Saturday, December 31 - New Year’s Eve**

- **Sunday, January 1, 2012**
  - One Worship Service at 10:00 a.m.
  - Holy Communion will be served
  - John Fleming preaching
  - No SHOUT (K-5th Grade) - Nurseries and CritterLand are open (4 & under)

- **Monday, January 2, 2012**
  - Church Offices Closed

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**Dear Friends,**

This Christmas season are you searching for a deeper understanding of life? Ready to find where you fit in the big picture? Are you looking to be part of a community? Evangelical United Methodist Church is the place for you to discover these things and many more.

At EUM we believe that God has placed you on this earth for a purpose, to be part of a community, and to be in a relationship with God. We believe that the scriptures contain ageless truth about a living Savior that we are to share in a contemporary world.

We invite you to join us in dreaming God’s dreams for the future of EUM as we continue “to bring others into a personal and dynamic relationship with Jesus Christ and equip and mobilize God’s people for ministry.”

Ministering Together,
Pastor Creighton