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### Dec. 17th Attendance:

Worship 8:30am: 56  
Worship 10am: 134  
10am YouTube: 99

### Dec. 17th Offerings

Total: \$ 8680.36  
Operating: \$ 5846.62  
Building Fund \$ 631.44  
Food Pantry \$ 255.73  
Other Giving: \$ 1946.57

Thank you for your  
faithful gifts!

Change for Change Fund  
for UMCOR: \$ 246.40



## Looking Ahead

**Christmas Eve worship—12/24**—join us in the Sanctuary at 7pm or 11pm for our candlelight Christmas Eve worship services.

**New Year's Eve worship—12/31**—join us at 10am in person or remotely for our Wesley Covenant Service as we look ahead to the New Year!

**White Gift Re-Enactment Service—tentatively scheduled for 1/7**— join us at 8:30am and 10am for a re-enactment of this historic event. Not sure what this is about? Check out more information on our website at [pumconline.org](http://pumconline.org) and click on the History tab.

### From our Finance Committee:

After six years of faithful service, Stacey Rodgers is no longer able to continue as our church treasurer. In the spirit of giving, it would be a great Christmas present for Stacey to have someone take over in that position! Stacey will gladly work with someone until they are comfortable in that role.

**Duties Include:**

- Develop/maintain systems for ensuring the church's solvency
- Forming financial policies
- Keep calendar of important dates/deadlines, including tax returns
- Explains outstanding debts and bills
- Signs Checks (2-4x per month)

**Reporting**

- Year-end reports for the Conference; Annual Charge Conference Report
- Review monthly reports prior to finance committee meetings

**Relationships**

- Member of charge conference, church council and finance committee
- Work with the accounting firm to produce monthly reports for the finance committee.
- Work with the financial secretary, pastor, and staff to clarify processes/information as needed
- Work with finance committee chair; clear any questions on policies or procedures in handling funds with the chair.

**Not your duties**

- Counting or depositing offering or other cash
- Serving on the annual audit committee
- Serving as financial secretary or bookkeeper

*Note: It is unlawful for anyone to practice law without a license, so the Treasurer should never give specific legal or tax advice to donors about donations. Donors consult their lawyer or tax adviser in these cases.*

**Interested parties can contact Dick Stadel or Stacey Rodgers for the complete description of the role and more information.**



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## WELCOME!

## CELEBRATING

## CHRISTMAS EVE!

## *CHRIST THE SAVIOR IS BORN!*



Painesville United Methodist Church  
71 N. Park Place/Painesville, OH 44077  
December 24, 2023 7pm Service

Pastor Jim Winkler  
440-354-3642  
[www.pumconline.org](http://www.pumconline.org)

Cover photo by Eric Silvi  
Sound amplification devices are available at the Sound Booth at the back of the Sanctuary.

**GATHERING**

**Gathering Music** Christmas Medley Carol's Bells  
 "Jingle Bells" (Ringing Angels with Carol's Bells)

**The Prelude** "What Child Is This?" (Carol's Bells) Thompson

**The Light Leads Us to Worship**

**\*The Call to Worship**

Leader: Emmanuel, God-with-us most of all tonight, your light lifts up our hearts, our spirits, our voices.

**People: We give you thanks for your birth long ago and your presence with us always.**

Leader: Your hope is more trustworthy than our promises. Your peace is deeper than our prayers. Your joy teaches us to sing even when we want to cry.

**People: Your love is wider than the chorus of the galaxies. Your Star shines on us now in this church, in this community, in this world as we come to adore him, Christ the Lord.**

**\*The Opening Carol** "O Come, All Ye Faithful" (vv. 1, 2, 3, 6) UMH #234

**\*Passing the Peace of Christ Welcome** Rev. Jim Winkler

**LESSON I THE HOPE AND THE PROMISE**

**Advent Carol** "To a Maid Engaged to Joseph" (vv. 1-3) UMH #215

**Lighting of the Advent Candles** The Benson Family

**Advent Carol** "To a Maid Engaged to Joseph" (vv. 4-6) UMH #215

**The Birth of Jesus Foretold** Luke 1:26-38 Ava Haehn

**Offertory** "Pastoral Symphony" Handel

**\*Doxology** "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #94

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**LESSON II CHRIST IS BORN**

**Gospel Lesson** Luke 2:1-7 Aaron Haehn

**Christmas Carol** "Away in the Manger"(vv. 1, 3) UMH #217

**LESSON III SHEPHERDS ADORE AND ANGELS SING**

**Gospel Lesson** Luke 2:8-14 Roberta Kalb

**\*Christmas Carol** "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" UMH #240

**LESSON IV MARY PONDER'S THESE THINGS IN HER HEART**

**Gospel Lesson** Luke 2:15-19 Josh Marshall

**Men's Chorus** "Where Shepherd's Lately Knelt" (Judy Elias, flute) Courtney

**The Christmas Prayer** Rev. Jerry Kalb

**Gospel Lesson** Luke 2:20 Rev. Jerry Kalb

**The Gift of Music** "O Holy Night" (piano) arr. Hayes

**LESSON V THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD**

**Gospel Lesson** Hebrews 1:1-3 Dalene Kelly

**Men's Chorus** "Love Came Down at Christmas" (Judy Elias, flute) Helvey

**Meditation** "A Light Has Dawned" Pastor Jim

**Entrance of the Christ Candle** Philip Streiff

**Lighting of the Candles** "Stille Nacht" (Judy Elias, flute) arr. Davis

**\*Scripture Lesson** John 1:1-18 Pastor Jim

**\*Christmas Carol** "Silent Night" UMH #239

(please extinguish candles following "Silent Night")

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**SENDING FORTH AND THE GLORY SHONE AROUND**

The Celebration  
 \*Christmas Carol "Joy to the World" UMH #246

\*Christmas Eve Benediction  
 Beloved, just as the shepherds heard the angels' news and rushed to find the Christ child, go now glorifying and praising God, declaring the good news: our wondrous Light has come! Thanks be to God. Amen.

\*Postlude "Joy to the World" Bock

*On the Square, Steeped in Prayer!*

**Prayer List:** Don Ames, Debbie Barnes, Sandy Blanchard, Gail Brown, Tom Brck, John Buchanan, Joan & Jerry Burnfield, Donna Cain, Joanne Carter, Ray & Nancy Childs, Chase Collins, Debon, Guy DelPrince, Joan Dengel, Brett Dolan, Eric Dorrell, Greg Fairbanks, Grieg & Laura Farren, Becky Finnick, Lois Goble, Ann Graham, Sherrie Harless, Roger Haynes, Karen Hersman, Sylvia Hill, James Huff, Kevin Huff, Shirley Huffman, Thomas Jarvis, Jr., Linda Kallay, Ellen Kennedy, Debbie Kivela, Tristan Kimmey, Debbie Kolesar, Lea, Bob Leaf, Dorothy Long, Lotus, Brian Mather, Bruce Miller, Jane Morse, Tim Morse, Fran Nicholson, Kailey Paugh, Bill Porterfield, Erin Potter, Cathy Powell, Jackson Prochet, Sharon "Shari" Regal, Eileen Ritchie, Jeremy Searson, Justice Stewart, Sarah Studio, Tim, Diane Troyer, Stan & Betty Updike, Mark Wise, Joy Wootton, and Barbara Zimmerman.

Continued prayers for people who are living in places with conflict and safety concerns, and for those who are victims of trafficking. We pray for those suffering from addiction, illness, and chronic pain, and we pray for care-givers who see their loved ones struggle. We pray for those who are homeless and who face food insecurity. We pray for our shut-ins. Prayers for our brothers and sisters in roles of public service, the first responders, and military who work diligently to keep us safe, and those who help with recovery efforts after natural disasters. We pray for our active deployed military, including Navy Sailor Jakob Kealoha, serving on the U.S.S. Paul Ignatius; Brant Garn, in the Airforce, and Pearl Austin's grandson's fiancé, deployed to Niger. We pray for those who are working in the mission field at home or abroad. Prayers for those who have lost loved ones and are experiencing grief this holiday season.

Please take a moment to update us on any prayer requests that may have changed—we may not always be current on each individual request. Contact the church office at [admin@pumconline.org](mailto:admin@pumconline.org) or 440-354-3642. Thank you!

**The Altar Rose is presented by:**

**Karen Dennis in memory of William & Shirley Dennis.**



**Friends of the Week:**

**Lois Sauer & Joy Wooten**

Cards for our Friends of the Week are available for you to sign in the Circle Room!

**The Altar Flowers Are Presented By:**

**Sandy Cobb**

*in memory of her brother Ray's birthday and in memory of the birthday of her dear friend, Carol Ford*



Dec. 29—Grady Tedesco  
 Dec. 29—Jim Morse  
 Dec. 30—John Schafer

**Have a wonderful day!**

**Today's WKKY Radio Broadcast is sponsored by:**

**Scott & Kathleen Thompson**

**Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas!**

Thank you for worshipping with us today! Please let us know you're here by filling out our connection card and dropping this into the offering plate—or, check in online!





# 2023 Poinsettias

**Thank you for your poinsettia orders  
in celebration of the birth of Christ!**

*Bob & Barb Alban present a poinsettia in memory of Barb's parents, Mildred & Floyd Hall.*

*Bob & Barb Alban present a poinsettia in memory of Phyllis & Henry Alban, parents of Bob Alban.*

*Chuck & Denise Asbury present a poinsettia in memory of Lucille, Henry & Karen Marttala, Josephine Covert, Nora Davis.*

*Chuck & Denise Asbury present a poinsettia in memory of Anna, Harold, Bill Asbury, Lillie Cross, & Brenda Monteith.*

*Don & Bev Baines present a poinsettia in memory of Bev's parents, Frank and Millie Adler.*

*Lee & Cheryl Behnke present a poinsettia in honor of their grandchildren Olivia, Austin, Ellie, & Brooke.*

*Lee & Cheryl Behnke present a poinsettia in memory of their parents, Mike & Rachel Abbott and Bill & Ginger Behnke.*

*Jeanne Benson presents two poinsettias in memory of Ruth, Lester, and Robert Bonwell.*

*Julie Benson presents a poinsettia in memory of Owen Benson.*

*Julie Benson presents a poinsettia in honor of Ella Benson and Luke Benson.*

*Annalee Bodi presents a poinsettia in loving memory of her husband, Jim Bodi.*

*Pat Dean presents a poinsettia in memory of J. Thomas Dean.*

*Rich Haky & Johanna Ahlman present a poinsettia in honor of their kids, Nora and Thomas.*

*Judy Hempel presents a poinsettia in memory of loved ones.*

*Lois Hosmer presents a poinsettia in memory of Roy Hosmer.*

*Mary Ann Jackopin presents a poinsettia in honor and memory of loved ones.*

*The Kalb Family presents two poinsettias in memory of Bill & Marcia Parsons.*

*Linda Lloy presents a poinsettia in memory of Herbert "Duke" Lloy.*

*Linda Lloy presents a poinsettia in memory of Sarah Meghan Lloy.*

*Cindy Luoma presents a poinsettia in memory of Doris & Jim Ackerman.*

*Cindy Luoma presents a poinsettia in honor of Laura Carmona.*

Poinsettias may be taken home after worship on Christmas Eve  
or on Tuesday, December 26<sup>th</sup> from 9am-12pm.



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*Susi Mathis presents a poinsettia in memory of Tim Mathis.*

*Jim, Bridgette, Zachary, and Zane Mauter present a poinsettia in honor of Bridgette's parents, Chuck & Janet Stewart.*

*Jim, Bridgette, Zachary, and Zane Mauter present a poinsettia in memory of Jim's parents, Donald and Jane Mauter.*

*Barb McCormack presents a poinsettia in memory of Chuck Cutrone and Joe Perl.*

*Mr. & Mrs. Charles Nagy present a poinsettia in memory of their parents.*

*Tracie Patton presents a poinsettia in memory of Bailey Morse.*

*Tracie Patton presents a poinsettia in memory of Irene Morse.*

*Debra Poe presents a poinsettia in memory of Joan & Paul Brck.*

*Debra Poe presents a poinsettia in memory of Robert L. Poe.*

*Mary Salchow presents a poinsettia in honor of family and friends.*

*Betty Silvi presents a poinsettia in memory of loved ones.*

*Missy Wallace presents a poinsettia in memory of Gertrude Harnish.*

*Missy Wallace presents a poinsettia in honor and thanks for Pastor Kenya.*

*Joe & Maxine Williams present a poinsettia in honor of Austin & Aiden Nainiger.*

*Joe & Maxine Williams present a poinsettia in memory of  
George & Helen Durand, Joe & Helen Williams, and Jane Furnas.*

*Pastor Jim & Lynelle Winkler present a poinsettia in honor of the Painesville UMC members and friends.*

*Pastor Jim & Lynelle Winkler present a poinsettia in honor of the Garn & Winkler families.*

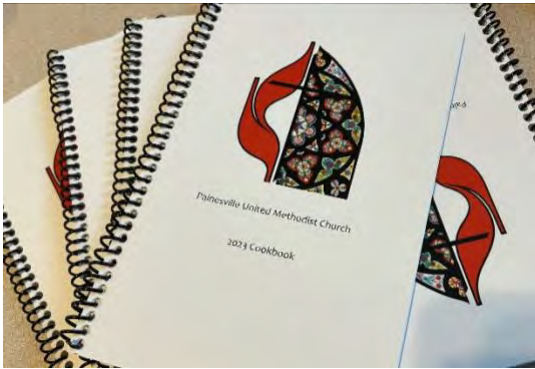
*Gerri Woodruff presents a poinsettia in memory of loved ones.*

*Jack & Barb Zenz present a poinsettia in memory of Bob & Virginia Smith.*

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## December 24<sup>th</sup> PUMC Announcements



**Our PUMC Cookbooks are IN!** If you submitted a recipe for the cookbook, Maria has your cookbook set aside in the church office. If you did not submit a recipe but would like to purchase a copy or would like to purchase extra copies, each one is \$5 and can be

picked up from Maria in the church office in the new year. *Includes Pastor Jim's secret Crockpot Meatloaf recipe!* Don't miss out - order your copy today! Call or email Maria in the church office at 440-354-3642 or [admin@pumconline.org](mailto:admin@pumconline.org) after staff return to the office on Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>!

**Have you lost a loved one in the past year? Our Grief Share program is for you!** Our next 14-week session of Grief Share meets on Monday nights at 7pm in the Chapel starting on January 15<sup>th</sup>. There is a \$25 workbook fee, but attending the class is free.



**Are you a new attendee or visitor who'd like to get to know us better? Join us for Pizza with the Pastor on Sunday, January 21st!** This is a great time to ask your faith questions, questions about Methodism, and questions about Painesville

United Methodist Church while getting to know Pastor Jim over a slice. Pizza with the Pastor takes place at 11:30am; please sign up in the Circle Room or contact Maria in the Church Office to RSVP by Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>.



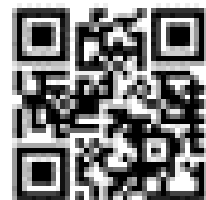
**Are you befuddled by facebook? Wondering how to avoid scammers and spammers while enjoying pictures from your family and friends? Join us in facebook class!** On Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, at 10am we will be hosting a class to review privacy settings and best practices that help reduce access and information going to scammers and spammers on facebook. This class will be hosted by Maria and is free to attend, but we do ask that you RSVP by January 7<sup>th</sup> so we know to expect you. After the presentation, Maria will be happy to troubleshoot specific questions – feel free to bring along your laptop or smartphone!

**Thank you to everyone who responded to the call to support the radio broadcast!**

We are now booked through January 7, 2024! If you'd like to sponsor a Sunday in the new year, please contact the church office to select your date and dedication! The cost is \$200 per week and your date can be dedicated in honor or memory of a loved one if you'd like! *Thank you for keeping us on the air with waves of prayer!*



**Finally, we invite you to stay *in the know* by subscribing to our bi-weekly emails, following us on facebook, and checking out our continuously updated website! Questions? Contact Maria in the church office at 440-354-3642.**



**Merry Christmas, everyone!**