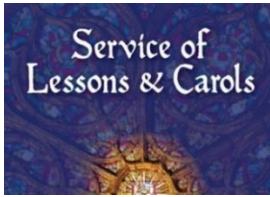


December 16-23, 2018 at

# First Congregational United Church of Christ

*No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.*

Worshipping Sundays 10:30 AM at 10<sup>th</sup> & G Streets, NW | [www.firstuccdc.org](http://www.firstuccdc.org)



## Service of Lessons & Carols

### Advent Service of Lessons and Carols This Sunday, December 16 at 10:30 AM

On Sunday, December 16 for morning worship, the First Church Choir will lead the congregation in an Advent Service of Lessons and Carols. Using scripture, anthems, and familiar hymns and carols, the choir will assist the congregation in tracing the "mega narrative" from Genesis to Nativity. This service prepares us to focus later on the "birth narrative" on the final Sunday in Advent and Christmas Eve. Sunday promises to be an opportunity to shed the anxieties of political and world events and be again inspired by the music and message of Advent and Christmas. We hope to see you there – invite a friend to come with you. It's going to be beautiful!



### Drop-In Center Talent Show Monday, December 17

The Kennedy Center? American Idol? The Voice? Forget about it! If you want to see real talent, join us for the second annual Most Amazing Talent Show on Monday night, December 17, at the Downtown Drop-In Center. Youth from the center, together with folks from Sasha Bruce Youthwork and Stand Up For Kids, will offer an evening of entertainment and fierce competition for honors and prizes. The show will start shortly after the 6 p.m. and is open to all. First Church members who came last year can attest to the heart-warming spirit of this event.

And speaking of warming, we also will have our annual give-away of winter supplies (gloves, hats, scarves, thermals) and other clothing needs. No RSVP required, but it would be great to know ahead of time for planning purposes. For information, contact Priscilla Waters, [Priscilla.waters3@gmail.com](mailto:Priscilla.waters3@gmail.com).



### First Church at the Movies!!! Mary Poppins Returns Thursday, December 20

Time: Early evening

Location: Likely Gallery Place AMC

Contact Rev. Sam if you have any questions.

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Rev. James Ross II, Minister of Justice Formation  
Rev. Sam McFerran, Minister of Faith Formation  
John Horman, Director of Music  
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## Coffee Hour Hosts

December 16	Dale Ostrander	Meg Maguire	Sandy Sorensen	
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## Sound

December 16	Tom Sowers
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## Ushers

December 16	Anisa Heming	Anne Mascolino
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## Calendar

### Sunday, December 16

- 9:15 am Bible Workbench
- 9:30 am Choir Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*
- 10:15 am Child Care provided, *Ed. Suite*
- 10:30 am Sunday School, *Ed. Suite*
- 10:30 am Morning Worship, *Sanctuary*  
Lessons & Carols
- 11:30 am Coffee & Fellowship, *Narthex*

### Monday, December 17

- 6:00 pm Downtown Drop-In Center  
for Homeless Youth Talent Show

### Wednesday, December 19

- 12:15 pm Break Away Meditation, *Chapel*

### Thursday, December 20

- 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*

### Sunday, December 23

- 9:15 am Bible Workbench
- 9:30 am Choir Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*
- 10:15 am Child Care provided, *Ed. Suite*
- 10:30 am Sunday School, *Ed. Suite*
- 10:30 am Morning Worship, *Sanctuary*  
Dwight Davis preaching
- 11:30 am Coffee & Fellowship, *Narthex*

### Monday, December 24

- 5:30 pm Christmas Eve Service

## Prayer List

Peter Parsons, recovering from surgery.  
Maira Jones and family on the death of Maira's brother.  
Peter Byrne, recovering from surgery.  
Don Bassler, recovering from surgery.  
Courtney McCaffrey on the death of her father.  
Jennie Hunt  
Rev. Dr. Ron Hopson, recovering from surgery.  
Marlene Ross  
Alexis Joy Hayes • Pat Ashbrook • Ruth Shinn  
First Church Staff