# Connection Card

Please place card in offering plate or hand to church leader OR scan QR code and fill out

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# Stay informed:

- O Text Messages & Alerts
- O Michael's Musings Friday Email
- O E-News (Bi-weekly)
- O Children & Youth Weekly Email

#### I am a:

- O First-time Guest
- O Frequent Visitor
- O Regular Attender

## **Next Steps:**

- O Attend Explore South Elkhorn
- O Find a Group & Join Community

# Order of Worship

Prelude

Welcome

Song Angels From the Realms of Glory

**Lighting Advent Candle**McDonald Family

Fourth Week of Advent, COURAGE

Anthem O Come All You Unfaithful Choir

Centering & Lord's Prayer

Children's Moment Holly Fuqua

Sermon Courage Can't Wait Michael Swartzentruber

Matthew 1:18-25

Song / Wonder as I Wander

Communion Elders: Dick & Pat Murphy

Open Table: All are welcome. Pre-packaged communion elements

are available as you come in the building.

Song Still, Still, Still Choir

Generosity

Deacons collect tithes and offerings. You can also give on your mobile device with Venmo (@southelkhorncc) or online by credit/debit card (visit southelkhorncc.org/give)

Song Rise Up Choir

Call to Discipleship

**Song** Go Tell It on the Mountain

**Announcements** 

Benediction

# Serving

Deacons: Katie Havelda-Dent, Brewer Conley, Neva Graves, Jon Webb

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# **WELCOME**

We are an open table people. That means all are welcome here. No matter your past dilemmas or present challenges, no matter your age or race, no matter your gender or sexual orientation or political party: we want you to be creative, bold, generous, and make a difference. We hope God unleashes your passion and gifts because the world sorely needs them. We are eager for you to wonder, question, explore and grow. Most of all, we want to journey with you in the adventure of Christ's love. We are glad you're here!

Michael

### **WORSHIP STAFF**

Michael Swartzentruber Senior Minister

Holly Fuqua
Associate Minister

Jennifer Smith
Student Minister

Chris Weiss

Music Minister

Diana Vetter Moore
Music Associate

Allison Colvin

Music Associate

#### December 18, 2022



# IF YOU ARE A GUEST TODAY

We hope you feel at home here, so relax and be yourself. We would love to follow up with you. Please fill out and tear off the Connection Card to your right. You can place it in the box on the table in the foyer or hand it to a minister, deacon or other church leader. Let us know how we can share more about our church, plug you in, and pray for you.

# **EXPLORE SOUTH ELKHORN**

# Sunday, January 22, 5:00 PM, Room 211

Gathering of newcomers and curious souls. Meet the team, engage in conversation, and find your place in the church spiritual community. For more information or to RSVP, please fill out the connection card or contact the church office: admin@southelkhorncc.org.

# CHILDREN'S WORSHIP & WONDER

Following the Children's Moment, children ages 3 to Grade 3 are invited to hear a sacred story, wonder about its meaning, & gather together for a feast (rooms 203 & 209). If your child is new to Worship & Wonder, please escort your child to fill out contact information following the children's sermon.

# **NURSERY**

Nursery is available for children ages 6 weeks to 2 years during Sunday School & worship. (rooms 214 & 215)

# LIVE STREAMING BROADCAST

The stage is video recorded and broadcast through social media and the website. The first three rows may be on camera. Visit southelkhorncc.org/online (or scan the QR code) to watch the service each week.





We are **Disciples of Christ**, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.

# LIFE TOGETHER

## **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

#### Today, Following Worship

Every year the membership of South Elkhorn gathers to vote on the slate of leaders and review and approve the annual budget Learn more by using the QR code.

# **CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES**

#### December 24, 4:00 PM & 8:00 PM

Enjoy the warmth of scripture, song and candlelight on this holy night. RSVP with QR code to right. Nursery available.

#### CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

#### December 25, 10:30 AM

(No Sunday School or Children's Worship & Wonder)

Celebrate the joy and beauty of Christmas gathered for a unique worship service. Children (and all ages) are invited to wear their Christmas PJ's and/or a Christmas sweater. Children and youth are invited to bring a Christmas gift they received for a blessing during the Children's sermon. The service includes a telling of the Christmas story, communion open to all people, and songs for the season. RSVP with QR code to right.

# MAKING DISCIPLES

# Eight Week Baptism Class starting in February

You or your child learn the basics of Christianity, read the Bible, grow in faith, explore the meaning of baptism, and develop a mentor relationship with a caring Christian adult leader. If you or your child is interested, please email Holly at hollyfuqua@gmail.com.

# Sermons



#### TODAY

Michael Swartzentruber Matthew 1:18-25 Courage Can't Wait

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

Child friendly service Wear PJs and/or Christmas sweater Christmas Day

Worship service and messages available online & on your favorite podcast site.

# **CHILDREN & YOUTH**

Tiny Tots (Age 3-Pre K)/Children (Grades K-5)/Youth (Grades 6-12)

#### **CHILDREN & YOUTH GROUPS**

Today and December 25 - No children or youth groups

# MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL GATHERING

Wednesday, December 21, Noon - 4:00 PM, Christian Ministry Center Pizza, hot chocolate, movie, cookie decorating, and book swap. RSVP to Holly by today.

# MLK JR YOUTH EVENT

Sunday, January 16, 3:00 - 5:00 PM, Transylvania Student Center
Devine Carama, musician and educator will be the speaker. Let Holly know if you are interested in attending. See Holly's email for more information.







**PRAYER LIST** 

Our love and prayers to the

Welcome baby Xavier King,

Kelly King born November 15.

adopted son of Scott and

family of Val Huggins, Val

**NEW THIS WEEK** 

died December 14.




#### ONLINE GIVING

Make a one time gift or set up recurring gifts

### **DONATE ON VENMO**

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