# Connection Card

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



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CHILD(REN) with Birthdate & Grade
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STREET ADDRESS
CITY/STATE/ZIP
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### **STAY INFORMED**

EMAIL

Subscribe to one or more email lists by using the QR code or selecting from the list below.



- O *Michael's Musings* Friday Email
- O The Current E-News
- O Children & Youth Weekly Email
- O Community Care Alert

### **TEXT MESSAGES**

Sign up to receive text messages from South Elkhorn Christian Church by texting "start" to 888-413-9540. Occasional texts will include worship weather updates and event information.

# Order of Worship

Prelude

Song The First Noel

Welcome Michael Swartzentruber

**Call to Worship** Leader: Come, find rest and refuge.

All: There is peace in the presence of God.
Leader: Come, find hope and healing.
All: There is new life in the grace of God.
Leader: Come, find wonder and wisdom.
All: There is truth in the way of God.
Leader: Come, worship with all your heart.

All: There is joy in the love of God.

**Song** God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

Centering & Lord's Prayer Dain Smith

Children's Moment Jen Brown-Murphy

**Sermon** Celtic Christmas: Three Essential Things

Micah 6:8 Michael Swartzentruber

**Song** Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

**Communion** Jen Brown-Murphy

Elders: Becky Burklow & Janet Connell

Open Table: All are welcome. You are invited to partake of the bread as it is passed, and drink from the cup as you are ready. Gluten-free wafers are in a

paper cup on each tray.

**Generosity** Michael Swartzentruber

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)

Special Music In the Bleak Midwinter

Holly Stowell & Diana Vetter Moore

Call to Discipleship Dain Smith

Song Joy to the World

Announcements Michael Swartzentruber

**Benediction** Jen Brown-Murphy

### Serving

Greeters: Jamie Crouch, Susanne Rosewell, David Riggins Deacons (Prepare & Serve): Kelly & Scott King Deacons (Serve & Clean): Katie & Norah Hoehne

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INSPIRING CHRIST'S DEEPER WAY OF love

### **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

**Dain Smith**Discipleship Minister

Jen Brown-Murphy Student Minister

Chris Weiss Music Minister

Diana Vetter Moore
Music Associate

Allison Colvin
Pianist

### December 28, 2025



### IF YOU ARE A GUEST TODAY

We want you to feel at home here, so relax and be yourself. We would love to follow up with you. Please complete 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**

February 1, 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 use the QR code or contact the church office: admin@southelkhorncc.org.



Following the Children's Moment, children ages 3 to Grade 3 are invited to hear a sacred story, wonder about its meaning, and gather together for a feast (rooms 203 & 209). Visitors, please accompany your child to sign-in. All adults in Worship & Wonder rooms must complete a background check through the church office.

### **NURSERY**

Nursery is available for children ages 6 weeks to 2 years of age 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 (to watch the service each week.



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

## LIFE TOGETHER

### **STAY INFORMED**

### Stay Up to Date on Church News Events & Opportunities

Subscribe to one or more email lists: The Current Weekly E-news, Michael's Friday Musings, Children & Youth News, and Community Care Alerts. You can also subscribe to church text messages.

### JOIN A CLASS OR GROUP

### **Beginning in January**

Whether you're looking for study, support, or community, there's a group for you. Explore the variety of opportunities to learn, share, and grow together. Use the QR code to learn more and express interest in a group.

### **FELLOWSHIP NIGHTS**

### Beginning January 11, 6:00-7:00 PM

All are invited to a monthly gathering focused on fellowship, connection, and community, with a different activity each month. January's gathering will feature vision board creation. Use the QR code to learn more and RSVP.



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### Sunday, January 18, 6:00 PM: MLK Community Worship Service

A service to celebrate and remember the important legacy, ministry, and words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. alongside other Disciples churches at Central Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

### Sunday, February 15, 5:00 PM: Chili Cook-Off & Talent Show

Enjoy a fun-filled evening of delicious chili and great entertainment. Stay tuned for more information.

# Upcoming Worship



January 4

Another Way

Matthew 2:1-12

Michael Swartzentruber

January 11 Starting Slow: Listening Lectio Divina Michael Swartzentruber

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

## **CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY**

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

### TINY TOTS, CHILDREN, & YOUTH GROUPS

No Groups following worship. Groups will resume on January 11. Use the QR code to download the Program Guide.



## PRAYER LIST

Share a prayer request.

If you have a prayer request, you can reach out to the church office or submit your prayer on this card in the notes section Place in the offering basket when passed.

Prayer list available online at southelkhorncc.org/prayer-list




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