

## 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 Age & Grade

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STREET ADDRESS

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CITY/STATE/ZIP

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HOME PHONE

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### Stay informed:

- Text Messages & Alerts
- Michael's Musings Friday Email
- The Current E-News
- Children & Youth Weekly Email

### I am a:

- First-time Guest
- Frequent Visitor
- Regular Attender

### Next Steps:

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

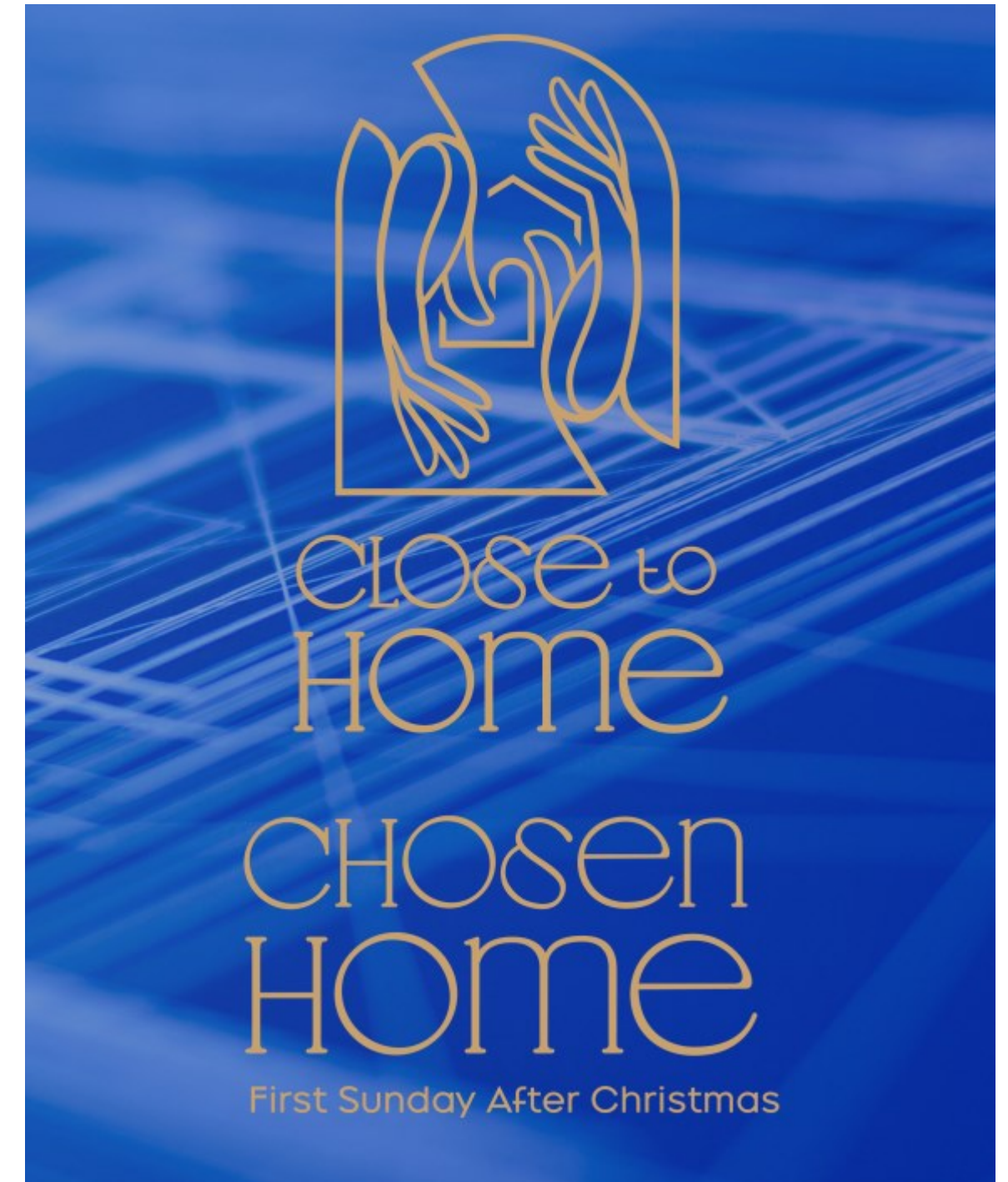
# Order of Worship

<b>Prelude</b>		
<b>Song</b>	<i>The First Noel</i>	
<b>Welcome</b>		Michael Swartzentruber
<b>Call to Worship</b>	Leader: Jesus said, <b>All: "This is God's house"</b> Leader: So come into this space <b>All: just as you are.</b> Leader: Come into this space <b>All: honestly, openly, authentically.</b> Leader: This is God's home <b>All: and our home with God.</b>	
<b>Song</b>	<i>We Three Kings</i>	
<b>Centering &amp; Lord's Prayer</b>		Michael Swartzentruber
<b>Children's Moment</b>		Dain Smith
<b>Sermon</b>	<i>Close to Home: Chosen Home</i> Luke 2:41-52	Michael Swartzentruber
<b>Song</b>	<i>infant holy, infant lowly</i>	
<b>Communion</b>		Dain Smith Elders: Peter & Sharon Woollam
	<i>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.</i>	
<b>Generosity</b>		Michael Swartzentruber
	<i>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)</i>	
<b>Special Music</b>		Allison Colvin
<b>Call to Discipleship</b>		Michael Swartzentruber
<b>Song</b>	<i>Joy to the World</i>	
<b>Announcements</b>		Michael Swartzentruber
<b>Benediction</b>		Dain Smith

**Serving**  
**Deacons (Prepare & Serve):** Mark & Julia Amann, Christy Buck  
**Deacons (Serve & Clean):** Anna James, Adam & Katie Gilley



**SOUTH ELKHORN**  
CHRISTIAN CHURCH



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December 29, 2024

### 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

**Chris Weiss**  
Music Minister

**Diana Vetter Moore**  
Music Associate

**Allison Colvin**  
Pianist



### 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

**January 26, 2025, 5:00 PM, Conference 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](mailto: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, and gather together for a feast (rooms 203 & 209). Visitors, please accompany your child to sign-in.

### 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](https://southelkhorncc.org/online) (or scan the QR code) to watch the service each week.



## LIFE TOGETHER

### DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE

**Sunday, January 19, 6:00 PM, Central Christian Church**

You are invited to join a service to celebrate and remember the important legacy, ministry, and words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Coretta Scott King alongside other Disciples churches at Central Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), featuring acclaimed guest preacher, Rev. Dr. Delesslyn Audra Kennebrew. A reception will follow the service.

### MAKING DISCIPLES

**Baptism Class starting in February**

Adults or children 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 [holly@southelkhorncc.org](mailto:holly@southelkhorncc.org).

### SAVE THE DATE

**Sunday, February 16, 5:00 PM: Chili Cook-Off & Talent Show**

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

### 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.



## Sermon Series



#### THIS SUNDAY

*Close to Home: Chosen Home*  
Michael Swartzentruber  
Luke 2:41-52

#### NEXT SUNDAY:

*Wonder-Struck: Child-like*  
Michael Swartzentruber  
Mark 10:13-16

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

No Children & Youth groups today following worship. Sunday School and children and youth groups resume January 5.

## 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](https://southelkhorncc.org/prayer-list)

### Notes

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Make a one time gift or set up recurring gifts

#### DONATE ON VENMO

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