

# Upcoming Events/Services

*Congregational Meeting TODAY  
at Noon in the Sanctuary*

*“Sing We Now of Christmas”*

**December 19, Sunday 6:30 PM, EDCC Sanctuary**



*A concert of seasonal favorites presented by  
EDCC Chancel Choir, Soloists & Children's Choir  
Two pianos, organ, chamber orchestra & handbells*

*A gingerbread/hot cider reception follows.*

*Admission is free with donations to the EDCC Concert Series accepted.*

*No reservation required.*

*Come hear the joyful sounds of Christmas in the beautiful Sanctuary of EDCC.*

## *Christmas Eve Services*

**Friday, December 24 ♦ 5:30 & 11:00 PM, Sanctuary**

*Lesson & Carols by Candlelight with Chancel Choir & Festive Brass  
Childcare is available only for the 5:30 pm service*

**One Service ONLY on Sunday, Dec. 26th  
10:50 AM, Sanctuary**



**EAST DALLAS  
CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

*(Disciples of Christ)*



**December 12, 2010**

**8:30 A.M.**

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## GATHERING TO WORSHIP

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**Prelude** Pianist, Keith Critcher

**Welcome, Fellowship & Announcements** Rev. Deborah Morgan

**\*Call to Worship**

One: We come from a world of darkness

**All: Into Christ's world of light.**

One: We come from a world of weariness

**All: Into God's strength and hope.**

One: We come from a slumbering world.

**All: Strengthened by the Spirit, we come to awaken our souls  
and watch for the coming of Christ.**

**\*Hymn of Praise** Hymn 125

"COME, O LONG EXPECTED JESUS"

**\*Invocation** Rev. Deborah Morgan

**\*Unison Prayer**

**"The Lord's Prayer"**

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallow'd be Thy Name  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
For Thine is the kingdom and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.

**Lighting of the Advent Candle** Jimmy Hayes & Carol McDowell

**Scripture** ISAIAH 35: 1, 3 - 6

**Sharing Our Joys & Concerns** Rev. Nathan Hill

**Prayer Response** Hymn 306

"HEAR OUR PRAYER, O LORD"

*\*Signifies church congregation participation*

**Sermon** Rev. Nathan Hill

"A BLESSING OR CURSE IN SURPRISE?"

**\*Invitation to Christian Life** Hymn 159

"THERE'S A SONG IN THE AIR" Stanzas 1 & 3

**Giving of Our Tithes & Offerings**

**Offertory** Pianist, Keith Critcher

**\*Congregational Response** Hymn 46

**THE DOXOLOGY**

*Tune: Old Hundredth*

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen."

**\*Prayer of Consecration** Rev. Deborah Morgan

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## CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S TABLE

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**Communion Hymn** Hymn 160

"LO, HOW A ROSE E'ER BLOOMING"

**Words of Institution** Rev. Deborah Morgan

**Elder's Blessing of the Bread & Cup** Daniel Wells

**Sharing of the Elements**

**Words of Going Forth & Benediction** Rev. Deborah Morgan

**Postlude** Pianist, Keith Critcher

