

# JOIN US FOR THESE UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES!

## KIDS @ FUMCOG

Your children are not only welcome but beloved here. Each Sunday morning, we have a children's sermon and two professional pre-school teachers to watch and play with your young ones during the service. We also have a monthly youth group that has begun, and more opportunities for kids at FUMCOG coming soon.

Reachout to Laura Stahl ([laura.morganstahl@gmail.com](mailto:laura.morganstahl@gmail.com)) to learn more.

## COOK WITH OUR NEIGHBORS

Germantown Community Fridges are a 24/7 mutual aid resource that helps combat food insecurity and food waste in Philadelphia, specifically in the Germantown neighborhood. FUMCOG is blessed to host a fridge under our High St. porch and cook together. This year we put over 13,000 fresh-cooked meals into the Fridge! Come on January 5th or 19th at 11 am to help us make delicious meals for our neighbors. Reach out to [germantownfridge@gmail.com](mailto:germantownfridge@gmail.com) for more information and cooking times.

## EXPLORE COMMUNITY at FUMCOG

Are you new-ish to FUMCOG and want to learn more? Join us for a 4-session Intro Class where we'll explore living faith today and this faith community. Come meet other new folk and learn about ways to join FUMCOG's mission of taking risks for social justice and building peace in our community, our city, our nation, and our world. We will meet Sundays at 12:30 on Jan 4, Jan 18, Jan 25, and Feb 1. Reach out to Pastor Alisa at [wailoo@fumcog.org](mailto:wailoo@fumcog.org) or 267-405-1383 with questions or to RSVP.

## STAND WITH OUR IMMIGRANT SIBLINGS

Join us for an MLK Day of Action on Monday, January 19 at 11 am in our efforts to Stop ICE Raids. We will meet at the ICE Field Office at 8th and Cherry Sts and then march to the courthouse together. We also help lead an Interfaith prayer vigil at the ICE Field Office every Monday at 11, so join us anytime. We know that Jesus and his family had to flee as refugees and we seek to receive every immigrant as we would the holy family.

## CONNECT WHERE YOU FEEL BEST

We each connect with God and community differently. Go to [fumcog.org](http://fumcog.org) to learn about the many ways here and join us for worship every Sunday at 11am, except for next Sunday, December 28th when we will be at the Germantown Mennonite Church, also at 11am.



## CHRISTMAS EVE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF GERMANTOWN

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**DECEMBER 24, 2025 • 11 AM**



First United Methodist Church of Germantown  
Wednesday, December 24th, 2024 11:00AM

Welcome To Worship!

We are honored to share this special day with you. Please join in the worship as you feel led. Our hymns are found in the United Methodist Hymnal, abbreviated UMH and you are warmly invited to complete a connect card. May you encounter the love of God in this community today!

Carillon Prelude

O Come, Little Children  
O Come, All Ye Faithful  
Away In a Manger  
The First Noel  
Greensleeves  
Deck the Halls

Janet Tebbel, Carillonneur  
J. A. P. Schulz, arr. T. Rusterholz  
Adeste Fidelis, arr. R. Barnes  
German Melody, arr. Rusterholz  
Traditional, arr. B. Buchanan  
Traditional, arr. J. Courter  
Old Welsh Air, arr. A. Gerken

Piano Prelude

Jodi Bohr

Welcome

Rev. Alisa Wailoo

\*Call to Worship

Standing with body and spirit

One: Today we gather to celebrate Christmas, a story of God’s unending love.  
All: God’s love is for everyone!  
One: Long ago, God showed that love by sending Jesus into the world.  
All: Love was born at Christmas!  
One: Jesus taught us how to love—with kindness, courage, and compassion.  
All: We can share that love every day!  
One: As we sing, pray, and listen today, may our hearts be open.  
All: We welcome God’s love and we choose love for the world.

Opening Song

“Love Came Down at Christmas” verses 1 & 2

UMH 242

Introduction & Invitation

Laura Stahl

All children are invited to decorate their ‘biblical character’ and prepare it for our fun to come.

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 9:6-7

Tamia Walker

Adult’s Message

“God’s Love from A to Zeal”

Rev. Alisa Wailoo

A Lesson in God’s ABCs

All children are invited to search the sanctuary for the 26 letters and bring them forward to make the whole alphabet up on the steps.

Danny Loder, Katreise Ruffin  
Dale Stahl, Anthony Wailoo

Letters A-E and Luke 1: 28-33

Song

“O Little Town of Bethlehem” verse 1

UMH 242

Letters F, G and Luke 2: 6-14

Song

“Hark the Herald Angels Sing” verse 1

UMH 240

Letters H-J

Song

“Joy to the World” verse 1

UMH 246

Letters K-M

Song

“Away in the Manger” verse 1

UMH 217

Letters N, O

Community Needs Offering and Offertory

Katrina Dignum

“A Child’s Carol” lyrics by Roberta DeHann, music by Michael Korn

Letters P-S and Matthew 2:9-11

Song

“We Three Kings” verse 1

UMH 254

Letters T-Z

Song

“Silent Night” verse 1

UMH 239

\*Benediction

Postlude

We wish you a very Merry Christmas!



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