

## Vision

We are called to be an outward facing circle of people; seeking, reaching, and welcoming others to join us in serving Jesus Christ.

## Mission

The mission of Castleton United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

DECEMBER 18, 2016

THIS WEEK AT CASTLETON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### M. Bert Kite

Senior Pastor  
BertK@castletonumc.org

### Billy Nickrand

Associate Pastor  
BillyN@castletonumc.org

### Jackie Chandler

Pastoral Counselor  
JackieC@castletonumc.org

Castleton Worship Center  
71st & Shadeland Ave.

### Sunday Morning Services

9 am\*  
Traditional Worship  
11 am  
Contemporary Worship

\*ASL interpreter is available for Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

### Castleton United Methodist Church

7160 Shadeland Station  
Indianapolis IN 46256  
317.849.2947

### Office hours:

8:30am – 4:30pm M – Th  
8:30am – 3:30pm F

### Prayer Chapel:

6am – 9pm daily

### Stephen Ministry Care Line

stephenministry@castletonumc.org  
317.284.0834

### Contact us

#### Weekly Announcements

bulletin@castletonumc.org  
Deadline is close of business Mondays

#### Newsletter Announcements

newsletter@castletonumc.org

#### Room Reservations

roommanager@castletonumc.org

#### Information Changes

infomanager@castletonumc.org

#### Prayer Requests

myra@castletonumc.org



We hope you will join us for our

# Christmas Eve

## SERVICES

4PM - FAMILY SERVICE (CHILDCARE AVAILABLE)  
6PM - CONTEMPORARY SERVICE (CHILDCARE AVAILABLE)  
8PM - TRADITIONAL SERVICE  
9:30PM - TRADITIONAL SERVICE (COMMUNION)

### Special Service Times!

There will only be one service on Christmas Day at 10am and one service on New Year's Day at 10am. Please mark your calendars now if you plan to attend these services. Thank you!

### Classes Not Meeting

There will be no Kid's Church, Student PHAO Breakfast Club or regular adult Sunday School classes on Christmas Day or New Year's Day.

### Still Waters Gift Wrap Service

Only 2 days left to take advantage of their Christmas gift wrap service! The last day is Tuesday, December 20. All gifts should be dropped off by 10:30am Tuesday morning for pickup that evening. Still Waters is located in the Ministries Center door #3. Questions? Contact Amy at [amy@stillwatersadc.org](mailto:amy@stillwatersadc.org) or 317-284-0837.

### Year-End Giving

As we end this year we are grateful, hopeful and expectant about the opportunities and blessings God placed before us. If you are making a year-end contribution, please remember all contributions to be recorded for 2016 must be dated by Dec. 31 and in the church office by Jan. 3 or placed in the offering by Sunday Jan. 1, 2017. We invite you to consider the online giving opportunities that can be found by visiting the church website at [www.castletonumc.org](http://www.castletonumc.org). May God richly use you this coming year!

### Office Closures

The church office will be closed on Friday, December 23, Monday, December 26 and Monday, January 2.

### Serving Roberts Park UMC

CUMC is serving at Roberts Park on Sunday, January 8. We need servers and desserts. Follow this link <http://signup.com/go/1yWGyf> to sign up or at the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings.

### New Year's Eve Party

Come ring in the New Year with our CUMC Family Ministries! Age 3 through high school seniors are invited. The evening will be split into 3-sections: 6-8pm, 8-10pm, and 10pm-1am. Each time period will have different activities - Bounce Houses, Board Games, Nerf Battle, Glow Dance Party, and more. A worship service will take place right after we watch the ball drop! Please take time to register at [castletonumc.org/newyears](http://castletonumc.org/newyears).

### Confirmation

Confirmation will be starting on Sunday, January 15th with a meeting for students and parents! If you are a 7th grade student/parent or if you haven't been confirmed and are interested in confirmation, please email Andy, Director of Student Ministries at [andyh@castletonumc.org](mailto:andyh@castletonumc.org) for more information.

### Soldier Board

You may have noticed in the lobby/Narthex that we have a board with pictures of CUMC family members that are actively serving our country. If you have someone you would like to have posted on this board, we encourage you to bring in a picture to leave at the Welcome Center and contact the Massel's, [marsha58@ameritech.net](mailto:marsha58@ameritech.net), with their information. We also ask our congregation to take a moment and pray for those on the board and their families when you see it.

### Bishops Children's Offering

The Christmas Eve Offering collected during the 4pm and 6pm services will be given to the Bishop's Children's Offering. 8pm and 9:30pm services will be normal offerings.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Facebook.com/CastletonUMCKids

**0 – 3 yrs, RM 122**  
Nursery Care all Services

**9am Kid's Church**  
PK-1st (start in service)  
**10am SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
PK - room 190  
K-4th Family Life Ctr.  
**11am Kid's Church**  
PK - 1st (start in service)

**Katie Gilbert**  
Dir. of Children's Ministries  
[katieg@castletonumc.org](mailto:katieg@castletonumc.org)

**DECEMBER CONNECTIONS** This month, our toddlers and preschoolers are counting down to Christmas with the bottom line "Jesus is God's son" and memory verse Luke 2:10. Elementary kids are focusing on Joy and memory verse Phillipians 4:4. Follow us on Facebook for more!

**CHRISTMAS EVE** Join us at 4pm Christmas Eve for a worship service that is engaging for ages 3 and up. We will have songs you love, special music from our children's choir and children's chimes, and a send-off with glow sticks representing the light of Christ going into the world. Childcare available if needed.

**NEW YEAR'S EVE** - Join us Dec 31st starting at 6:00pm with progressive end times at 8:00, 10:00, and after midnight worship. Your family can choose how much partying is right for you! Food, games, bounce house, obstacle course, glow sticks, balloon drop, nerf war, catered espresso bar, confetti, fireworks... Don't miss it! Signup at [castletonumc.org/newyears](http://castletonumc.org/newyears).

## PHAO STUDENT MINISTRIES

Facebook.com/PhaoStuMin

**5-12 GRADE**  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
10am Ministries Center

**Andy Hayward**  
Dir. of Student Ministries  
[andyh@castletonumc.org](mailto:andyh@castletonumc.org)

**THIS SUNDAY** Breakfast Club is at 10am. Join the 5th-12th grade students for breakfast before we break down into groups for 5/6th, 7/8th, and High School in the Ministries Center.

**BREAKFAST CLUB 2017** We are starting now to have parents sign up to bring breakfast in 2017. Please contact Bethany Barr, [bethanybarr1@gmail.com](mailto:bethanybarr1@gmail.com) and get signed up!

**NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY** Family Ministries will be hosting a New Year's Eve Party from 6pm-1am on Dec. 31st. Children from age 3 through high school seniors will have activities available. The evening will be split into 3-sections: 6-8pm, 8-10pm, and 10pm-1am. Each time period will have different activities - Bounce Houses, Board Games, Nerf Battle, Glow Dance Party, Euchre Tournament and more. A worship service will take place right after we watch the ball drop! Signup at [castletonumc.org/newyears](http://castletonumc.org/newyears).

## ADULT MINISTRIES

**Feel free to join**  
**these classes at**  
**any time.**

If you have questions  
about any of our  
Adult Ministries  
contact:

Pastor Billy Nickrand  
[billyn@castletonumc.org](mailto:billyn@castletonumc.org)

**Our Faithfulness**  
Worship: 739  
Sunday School: 145

**Tithes and Offerings**  
Received:  
\$42,261.52  
\$36,000.00

### SUNDAY MORNING CONNECTIONS- JOIN ANYTIME!

**CHRISTIAN CRUSADERS** - 10am Room 112

New topic each week.

Jerry Robinson

**PASTOR'S CLASS** - 10am Fellowship Hall

Let's dig deeper into this weeks scripture lesson.

Pastor Billy

**AWE/SEEKERS** - 10am Legacy Room

Foundations of Freedom, by David Barton

Class Led

**BIBLE DISCOVERY** - 10am Library, 11am Room 112

Book of Proverbs

John Dinwiddie 10am

Ken Glass, 11am

**PARENT CONNECT GROUP** - 10am Room 160B off Fellowship Hall (Elementary and Younger)

Effective Parenting in a Defective World

Todd Gilbert

**BECOMING DISCIPLES TOGETHER** - 10am in rrom 139, Handbell Room

All I Want for Christmas, by James Moore

Paul Bickle

**KOINONIA** - 10am Room 110

The Gospel of Matthew

Jean Butler

### THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

**SUNDAY** - 3:30pm - Room 112 (Women's Group) Resumes 2017.

Sara Ellsworth - [saraells@hotmail.com](mailto:saraells@hotmail.com)

**SUNDAY** - 3:30pm - Library (20's & 30's Group) Resumes 2017.

Pastor Billy Nickrand - [billyn@castletonumc.org](mailto:billyn@castletonumc.org)

**MONDAY** - 6:30pm - Ministries Center, Rm. 1305 (Wellness, Spiritual, Fellowship)

First Place 4-Health

Jackie Chandler - [jackieatthewellcounseling@gmail.com](mailto:jackieatthewellcounseling@gmail.com)

**TUESDAY** - 7am - Panera Bread, 8510 E. 96th St.

Cafe' Connect - Sermon Recap

Paul Bickle - [pabickle@yahoo.com](mailto:pabickle@yahoo.com)

David Ayers - [ayersdk23@gmail.com](mailto:ayersdk23@gmail.com)

**WEDNESDAY** - 7:30am - Conference Room (Women's Group)

Sisters In Faith - The Armor of God

Myra Jean Duff - [myrad@castletonumc.org](mailto:myrad@castletonumc.org)

**WEDNESDAY** - 10:15am - Ministry Center Rm. 1303

Variety Bunch - Off till January 11.

Sylvia Abrell - [dsabrell2@indy.rr.com](mailto:dsabrell2@indy.rr.com)

Colleen Rozmaryn - [icroz123@att.net](mailto:icroz123@att.net)

**SATURDAY** - 7:30am - Ministries Center Room 1303 (Men's Group)

Living Buddha, Living Christ, by Thich Nhat Hanh

Chester Bailey - [cb82954@comcast.net](mailto:cb82954@comcast.net)

Christmas Eve - Series: Urgent Pursuing Christmas  
*Urgently Receiving Christmas*, at 6, 8, 9:30pm Pastor M. Bert Kite