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IWU to Host Joint Advent Communion Service

BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – In partnership with Illinois State University, Illinois Wesleyan University Chapel Hour and Special Events and Services will host the annual evening Advent Communion Service on Friday, Dec. 8 at 11 p.m. in Evelyn Chapel (1301 N. Park St. Bloomington).

The event is free and open to the public.

Holy Communion, also called the Eucharist, is a Christian rite wherein communicants receive bread and wine, symbolizing nourishment from the Holy Spirit. Advent Communion, held in the days leading up to Christmas on Dec. 25, is a special event held in celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ.

During the service, University Chaplain Dennis Groh will deliver a speech entitled "Advent and Arrivals."

For additional information, contact the Illinois Wesleyan University Office of the Chaplain at (309) 556-3005.