



United Methodist Church of Ludington

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2013 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, November 24 United Methodist Student Day

- 8:00 am Praise Band Rehearsal
- 9:30 am Contemp. Worship & Sunday School
- 10:15 am Coffee Time
- 10:30-11:00 am Blood Pressure Checks in Fellowship Hall
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship
- 3:00 pm Ball Brothers Christmas Concert

Tuesday, November 26

- 9:30 am Intercessory Prayer
- 5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 4:30-6:00 pm We serve Community Table at Community Church
- 6:30 pm Administrative Board

Wednesday, November 27

- 6:30-9:00 am Business Network International
- 5:30 pm Cub Scout Den
- 5:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Recorder Practice
- 7:04 pm Bible Study with Pastor Dennis

Thursday, November 28

Happy Thanksgiving! Church Office Closed

Friday, November 29 Church Office Closed

Sunday, December 1 First Sunday of Advent, Communion, Food Pantry Day

- 8:00 am Praise Band Rehearsal
- 9:30 am Contemp. Worship & Sunday School
- 10:15 am Coffee Time
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship
- 5:00 pm Legacy

IMMEDIATE PRAYER

Pat Trowbridge,
Carol Morgan,
Rev. Jim Noggle,
Jeff Rinker,
Haiti Missionaries Becky
Sopha & Rev. Norm
Letsinger,
Marilyn Raven,
*Families of Don Gohn, Garrett
Lake, Fred Holden, Jr.,
Clarence Genson*



MISSIONARIES

Bob & Sue Martin,
Pastor Bernard & Betty
Lumene,
Rachel Sparks (Peace Corps)

NURSING/ADULT CARE

Warren Abrahamson,
Leone Benedict,
Nancy Dust,
Sharon Faidley,
Ruth Foster,
Frieda Hansen,
Billie Jabrocki,
Margaret Lunde,
Tom McCumber,
Addie Morgan,
Dolores Pahoski,
Iva Randall,
Frances Shuey,
Emma Van Horn
Matthew Wilson, Oklahoma

HAITI:

**Baudin School;
Baudin Methodist Church
and Pastor Matthew;
Ranquette Methodist
Church and Pastor Odeles
Du Rosier**

ZAMBIA:

**Soweto-Kapisha UMC and
Rev. Elizabeth Matupa;
Lord's Mountain Orphan-
age; Bwafwano Care
Project and Minerva Phiri**

COLLEGE

Samantha Betke, *WMU*
Nate Carrier, *Art Institute of
Schaumburg, IL*
Brent Gillett, *CMU*
Sean Gillett, *Ferris*
McKenzie Gohn, *Northwood*
Taylor Gohn, *Wheaton*

Natascha Hamman, *U of Texas*
Cally McShane, *WMU*
Alayna Reum, *Parsons, NYC*
Eric Reum, *U of Detroit Dental*
Alyssa Scribner, *Ferris*
Bethany Sonefeld, *Ferris*
Matt Sonefeld, *CMU*
Andrew Sparks, *St. Anselm College,
NH*
Julia Swanson, *Ferris*
Andrea Volpp, *Lansing CC*
Jordyn Willick, *Ferris*

ONGOING

Amanda (friend of Laurie McK.),
Mary Barrington,
Rod Beckman,
Jean Bouda,
Mary Bullock,
Todd Courtland,
Lori Eaton,
Kay Fetters,
Millie Frederick,
Aiden Harper,
Oleta Head-Kibbey,
Mike McDonald,
Sean Nelson,
Rob Newell,
Russell Soper,
Jenni Stubbs,
Ken Wolven (Louie's brother),
Linda Wolven

**Note: After three months'
time we will need an
update for your name to
remain on our prayer list.
Thank you.**

IN THE MILITARY

Christina Collins, *SeaBee*
SPC Daniel J. Cook, *NC*
Travis DeMeester, *CA*
Greg Heimall III, *NC*
Michael Jones, *Pearl Harbor*
Lt. Col. Jonathan Letsinger, *Qatar*
Sgt. Eric Luteyn, *MO*
2nd Lt. Jane McNaughton, *MO*
Otto McNaughton, *VA*
Adam Miller, *Afghanistan*
Eric Piper
PVT Joshua John Reed, *Afghan.*
Tony Wagner, *VA*

*Col. George Cone and Greg Heimall Jr.
have retired from the military.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Local visitors interested in learning about our church and its programs are encouraged to stop at the Welcome Center in the narthex to pick up a visitor bag.

Today's **altar flowers** were donated by Bill and Marcia Olmstead and family in loving memory of Dale and Jackie Masten.

Today is **United Methodist Student Day**. Your offering provides scholarships and student loans for qualified United Methodist applicants.

The **Ball Brothers** will perform a Christmas concert at our church TODAY at 3:00 pm. Posters are up, non-announcement has been made. Doors open at 2:15 pm. Reasons to attend: Music that spans the generations: some traditional and some newly released; Family friendly; A proper introduction to the holiday season. Open to the community. We had a large crowd last year! Better this year? A love offering will be taken. What else can I say? *Dick Nelson*

Copies of the **Advent devotional booklet** *Living the Gospel Life* are available today at the Reading Materials Table in the hallway between the narthex and Fellowship Hall. If you are not already having regular daily devotions, this might be a good time to start them with your family. The first Sunday of Advent is December 1. *Allan Carlson*

The last 6:00 pm **Wednesday Night Meal** for 2013 was November 20. The meals will recommence January 8, 2014.

Our church is responsible for **Community Table** Tuesday, November 26. To help with food prep, serving or cleanup, please call Jean Burtch at 843-8306.

It's that time of the year again! Bellringers from our church will start **bellringing for Salvation Army** Friday, November 29 at Walmart's food door (west door). Ringers work Monday through Saturday from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm through Monday, December 23. Bev and Dave Hamman or Bill McBeth will have a sign-up sheet in the narthex before and after each Sunday worship service, or you may call Bev and Dave at 845-0174.

From Janelle Schade, Church Women United Rep for United Methodist Women:

- The Salvation Army /Marine Corps **Toys for Tots** is again making an appeal for toys. The Salvation Army is more in need this year due to budget cuts. We will have a cardboard box in Fellowship Hall next to the tree to deposit toy items. It is okay to have gifts for teens also. The box will be at our church until December 9, as distribution will be that Saturday. Many less fortunate children will be able to have toys under their trees because of our efforts. Please consider a gift to this worthwhile project.
- This year's **Mitten Tree** will be located inside the Fifth Third Bank in front of Briggs Hardware. Monica Stewart and Janelle Schade will be at the Mitten Tree on Tuesday, December 3 from 12:30 to 4:00 pm to collect any mittens, scarves, hats or funds for the mitten tree project. Other churches will be there December 2 through 6. Bring store-bought items if you don't knit or crochet. Norma Koeppe of our church is the citywide project chairperson for this annual event, and she collects and distributes yarn to knitters all year. Mittens and scarves are put in each Christmas basket given out by the Salvation Army, and the remainder are given to schools. This is a worthwhile project supported by the United Methodist Women and Church Women United.

West Shore Youth For Christ offers its annual **Chili Cook-off and Dessert Auction** Tuesday, November 26 at Campus Life Center for Youth, 605 N. Rath in Ludington. The meal is from 5:30 to 8:00 pm. "Dinner is free ~ the pie, you buy!" The auction is from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. Call 843-1323 if you have questions.

Calendar This: **Christmas Praise Concert** Saturday, December 21 at 6:00 pm, here in our sanctuary. Concert features Greater Life Church, Lakeside Church, and our own Water's Edge praise bands. A free will offering will be taken. Refreshments follow the concert.

Pat Trowbridge is now at Spectrum Rehab in Grand Rapids. See the office bulletin board for her address.

Financial Health of Our Church

	October 2013	2013 Year To Date	2012 Year To Date
General Fund Income	\$22,234	\$263,770	\$283,836
General Fund Expenses	\$35,237	\$312,539	\$287,788
General Fund Balance	\$4,321	\$4,321	\$53,893
Building Fund Balance	\$55,455		

Mortgage Principal	10/31/2013	1/1/13	1/1/12
Balance	\$1,012,760	\$1,067,886	\$1,153,381

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

We would like to thank everyone who volunteered for the rug booth at the Holiday Fine Arts and Crafts Show last weekend. Workers included Nancy Kelley, Janelle Schade, Jane Clark, Karen O'Brien, Monica Stewart, Marcia Olmstead, Priscilla McBeth, and Anita Freeland. Special thanks to Karen Genson for recruiting the workers. We sold fourteen rugs! The Rug Ladies thank you all. *Ramona Myers*

Center Lake Bible Camp in Tustin offers its **15th Annual Live Nativity** December 6, 7 and 8 from 6:00 to 8:30 pm. Admission and meals are free. For more information, please see the church office bulletin board.

Congratulations to everyone who walked in, or donated to, our October 13 **Mason County CROP Walk**. Our church raised \$1189.00. All Mason County walkers raised \$6,927.00 to feed hungry people locally, nationally and internationally.

The United Methodist Women will assist West Shore Bank East Ludington Office with its Christmas Open House once again this year. We are to provide 50-60 dozen handmade Christmas cookies; make coffee and punch; and keep the refreshment table stocked with cookies, punch and coffee from 9:00am to 5:00 pm Friday, December 13. **We need 20 people to each bake and donate 3 dozen decorated Christmas cookies, and ladies to work two hour shifts that day at the bank.** Please call Karen Genson at 843-2482 or the church office if you can help in some way.