



United Methodist Church of Ludington

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JANUARY 4, 2015 ANNOUNCEMENTS



John Rodgers,
Art Somsel,
Steve Von Pfahl,
Don Worm

Today, January 4, 2015 Communion, Food Pantry

8:15 am Praise Band Rehearsal
9 am-12 pm Coffee
9:30 am Contemporary Worship & Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship
5:00 pm Legacy

Monday, Jan. 5

4:00 pm Grief Group
5:00 pm Cub Scout Den

Tuesday, Jan. 6

9:00 am MOMSnext
9:30 am Intercessory Prayer
5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm Trustees

Wednesday, Jan. 7

9:00 am Rug/Sleeping Bag Ladies
5:30 pm Praise Band
6:00 pm Catered Meal
7:00 pm Recorder Practice
7:04 pm Bible Study

Thursday, Jan. 8

9:00 am Bible Study
12:00 pm XYZ Potluck & Program
4:00 pm Finance Committee
6:00 pm COVE
6:00 pm Emmaus Board
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 pm Praise Choir Rehearsal

Friday, Jan. 9

1:00 pm United Methodist Women Exec. Board

Saturday, Jan. 10

Time TBA Benefit for Todd Courtland

Sunday, Jan. 11

8:15 am Praise Band Rehearsal
9 am-12 pm Coffee
9:30 am Contemporary Worship & Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship
5:00 pm Legacy

MISSIONARIES

Bob & Sue Martin,
Pastor Bernard & Betty
Lumene

NURSING/ADULT CARE

Warren Abrahamson,
Nancy Dust,
Ruth Foster,
Frieda Hansen,
Phil Hunt,
Billie Jabrocki,
Tom McCumber,
Addie Morgan,
Dolores Pahoski,
Iva Randall,
Doris & Ken Rathert (*parents
of Carol Pehrson*),
Frances Shuey,
Matthew Wilson, Oklahoma

HAITI:

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

ZAMBIA:

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

HENDERSON SETTLEMENT

ONGOING

Todd Courtland,
John Drees,
Millie Frederick,
Nancy Kelley,
Stan McCallum,
Edna Nelson,
Sean Nelson,
Gail Nieth,
Cheryl Noll,
Ruth Paul,
Ted Radtke,
Bruce Rillema,

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

IN THE MILITARY

SrA Joseph Archer, NV
Christina Collins Smith, VA
Cpl. Daniel J. Cook, NC
Matthew Heard,
Greg Heimall III, NC
Michael Jones, Pearl Harbor
Col. Jonathan Letsinger, AK
Staff Sgt. Eric Luteyn, Cuba
2nd Lt. Jane McNaughton, TN
Otto McNaughton, NE
Eric Piper, Baghdad
E-4 Spc Joshua John Reed, KY
Matthew Raven, Africa
Corey Shinn, KY
Tony Wagner, VA

COLLEGE

Samantha Betke, WMU
McKenzie Gohn, Northwood U.
Taylor Gohn, Wheaton College
Natascha Hamman, U of Texas
Zachary Hamman, Texas State U
Jenna Luke, Northwestern Mich.
Alayna Reum, Parsons, NY
Eric Reum, U of Detroit Dental
Andrew Sparks, St. Anselm Coll.
Julia Swanson, Ferris State U
Kennedy E. Westcott, Davenport
Jordyn Willick, Ferris State U

*Alyssa Scribner graduated December
13 from Ferris State University with a
Bachelor's in biology.*

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.

Women's Bible Study - Our Thursday morning women's Bible study will begin its winter class Thursday, January 8. Our twelve session study will be the books of Ruth and Esther: Life Lessons Inspirational by Max Lucado. We will meet from 9:30 to 11:00 in Fellowship Hall, and all women of the church are welcome to attend. For more information, you may call Lynne Gohn at 843-4746.

The **2015 Altar Flowers Chart** is in the narthex, ready for you to reserve a date! Beads & Blooms supplies the altar flowers and bills our church monthly for them, so your check for \$22.50 can be made out to United Methodist Church of Ludington around the date you've reserved. Be sure to note "Altar Flowers" on your check memo or envelope.

A **discretionary fund** was established by the Administrative Board to enhance and expand the pastor's ministry to people within our church family in times of crisis and need in the name and spirit of Jesus Christ. This fund, used anonymously, is administered by Pastor Dennis and enables him to respond to emerging and emergency needs as they occur within our church family. Those wishing to contribute to this fund will find special receptacles in the front of the sanctuary on Communion Sundays. You may place your offering in one of the receptacles as you come to receive Holy Communion. If you write a check please make it payable to the United Methodist Church of Ludington and in the memo designate it for "*Pastor's Discretionary Fund.*"

Prayer shawls and Pillowcases for Kids are available in the narthex on the first Sunday of each month, along with yarn, material and instructions for creating them. You can give a love offering to support these ministries. Put donation envelopes in the offering plate or turn them in to the office.

We have packets of material strips ready to be sewn together for **Quilts for Kids!** These strips are scraps from the pillowcases. You will need to sew on the batting, flannel and binding and do the quilting. It's very simply done, with little expense. These quilts will be available for a minimum donation of \$25 to our youth ministry, or they will be auctioned off at the next youth auction. Ramona Myers has completed a quilt (made for Erma Rodgers) for you to see. For more information, contact Lynne Gohn (843-4746) or Ramona Myers (425-4408).

If you worship during the second service, would you please consider serving as liturgist or Communion server a couple of times a year? Sign up at the Welcome Booth in the narthex.

Your box of **2015 offering envelopes** awaits you on a table in the east hallway. If you don't find a box for you and you would like one, please see Vi DeMeester or call the church office.

From Allan Carlson, Evangelism Committee Chairperson:

- **Upper Room daily devotional booklets for January and February** are available on the Literature Table in the hallway leading to Fellowship Hall.
- The **XYZ (Xtra Years of Zest)** group will meet at noon on Thursday, January 8 in Fellowship Hall. The meeting will begin with a potluck lunch. The program following the lunch will be announced as soon as it is established. Please bring a dish to pass, your table service and a friend or two and join us for a good time together.
- **Wednesday Night Meals** will resume at 6:00 pm January 7 and will continue on Wednesdays until the end of April; except during Holy Week, when it will move to Maundy Thursday. After the meals we will have singing and devotions, and at 7:04 pm Pastor Dennis will continue his Inductive Bible Study on some of the Bible's most interesting passages. Once again, if the Ludington Area Schools are closed on a Wednesday because of stormy weather, the meal that evening will be cancelled.

Benefit for Todd Courtland—Set aside time on your calendar on Saturday, January 10 to attend a lasagna dinner, bake sale, and auction of some donated items/services. For those of you who have not heard, Todd Courtland is continuing to have problems with his injured liver that do not allow him to work. Due to that and problems with disability payments, the Courtland family is having significant financial struggles, and needs our help. You can help by assisting with dinner preparation, donating baked goods, obtaining items to be auctioned, attending the benefit, and encouraging friends in our church and the community to attend the benefit. Call the church office or Karen Genson(843-2482) with questions or offers to help.