



# United Methodist Church of Ludington

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## FEBRUARY 22, 2015 ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Today, Feb. 22

- 8:15 am Praise Band Rehearsal
- 9 am-12 pm Coffee
- 9:30 am Contemporary Worship & Sunday School
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship
- 2:00-4:00 pm Soccer Signup
- 5:00-7:00 pm Legacy

### Monday, Feb. 23

- 6:30 pm Christian Ed/Sunday School Meeting

### Tuesday, Feb. 24

- 9:30 am Intercessory Prayer
- 5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 5:00-8:00 pm Parent Coalition
- 6:30 pm Administrative Board

### Wednesday, Feb. 25

- 9:00 am Sleeping Bag Ladies
- 5:30 pm Praise Band
- 6:00 pm Catered Meal
- 7:00 pm Recorders
- 7:04 pm Bible Study

### Thursday, Feb. 26

- 9:30 am Bible Study
- 6:00 pm Plugged In/Power Supply
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 8:00 pm Praise Choir Rehearsal

### Friday, Feb. 27

- 12 pm-6 pm Blood Drive

### Sunday, March 1 Communion, Food Pantry Day, One Great Hour of Sharing

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- 5:00 pm Legacy

### IMMEDIATE PRAYER

Pastor Dennis

### MISSIONARIES

Bob & Sue Martin,  
Pastor Bernard & Betty  
Lumene

### NURSING/ADULT CARE

Warren Abrahamson,  
Nancy Dust,  
Kay Fetters,  
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,  
Kay Fetters,  
Millie Frederick,  
Nancy Kelley,  
Marv Kelsey,  
Sean Nelson,  
Norma Page,  
Ruth Paul,  
Ted Radtke,  
Bruce Rillema,  
John Rodgers,  
Art Somsel,  
Ken Stroebel,

Steve Von Pfahl,  
Don Worm

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

### IN THE MILITARY

StA 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

## 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 M.A. and John Ferguson in celebration of their 47th anniversary!

What are you giving up for Lent? How about giving God some time each day devoted to prayer? Join the **Lenten Prayer Challenge!** If you would like to be a part of this Lenten Prayer Challenge, please pick up a flier explaining the details. The fliers can be found at the Volunteer Desk in the church office, at the Welcome Center at the front doors, and on the Literature Table in the east hallway by the coats.

Ever been to Frakes, Kentucky? Feel a need to help? We're heading down to the **Henderson Settlement** this fall to spend a week working in the Frakes, KY area, helping those less fortunate than ourselves. If you've thought about going on a mission trip, we have room for you! There is also a signup sheet in the narthex and in the church office. If you have any questions, contact either Kirk Myers or Wayne Disegna.

Friday, February 27 is our **Red Cross Blood Drive!** Please call the church office (843-8340) to donate cookies! To donate blood, call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) (sponsor code: UMCL).

**Norma Page** has recently moved to an assisted living center near her daughter, and she would love to hear from her friends. Write her at 2900 Kellems Drive, Hastings, MI 49058 or call her at 1-269-948-2028.

Sally Reed needs **strings of white Christmas lights** for our Fellowship Hall Christmas tree. Please bring them to Sally or leave them behind the tree. (And many thanks to Sally for faithfully decorating the tree each month!)

Pastor Dennis is planning to offer another **New Member Class**. Please phone the church office (843-8340) with your name and contact information if you'd like to attend the class.

A committee will begin working on our **church cookbook** soon. So far, committee members are Janice Wolff, Jane Clark, Donna Stover and Deborah Chrystal. Please let one of them know if you'd like to help and if you have experience with cookbook publishers. And keep submitting those recipes! We'd like them from men, too!

**Next Sunday we have the opportunity to take up a special offering for UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) called One Great Hour of Sharing. What is UMCOR? From the website, [www.umcor.org](http://www.umcor.org):**

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization dedicated to alleviating human suffering around the globe. UMCOR's work reaches people in more than 80 countries, including the United States. It provides humanitarian relief when war, conflict, or natural disaster disrupt life to such an extent that communities are unable to recover on their own.

UMCOR is a ministry of The United Methodist Church, and its goal is to assist the most vulnerable persons affected by crisis or chronic need without regard to their race, religion, gender, or sexual orientation. UMCOR believes all people have God-given worth and dignity.

While UMCOR cooperates with other aid organizations to extend its reach, its most important partners are the people it serves. The website says, "We are confident that successful solutions to emergency or chronic conditions begin with the affected population. UMCOR provides these survivors not only temporary relief but long-term education, training, and support."

UMCOR spends 100 percent of designated donations on the projects that donors specify. When UMCOR donors give their time, money, and supplies, they join UMCOR as the hands and feet of Christ.

*UMCOR is able to spend 100% of donations on projects because UMCOR's administrative and capital expenses are subsidized by One Great Hour of Sharing. Please give generously to next Sunday's special offering.*

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