



United Methodist Church of Ludington

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DECEMBER 13, 2015 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, Dec. 13

9:00-11:00 am Coffee
9:30 am Sunday School
11:00 am Sunday School Christmas Program
4:00 pm Middle School Legacy
5:30 pm High School Legacy
6:00 pm Christmas Praise Concert

Monday, Dec. 14

10:00 am Flower Ministry
6:00 pm Becky's Recital
The office area and Fellowship Hall carpets will be cleaned today. The Trustees request a minimum of traffic in those areas today.

Tuesday, December 15

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

Wednesday, Dec. 16

9:00 am Rug/Sleeping Bag Ladies
5:30 pm Habitat for Humanity Board
6:00 pm Praise Band Rehearsal
6:00 pm Family Meal
7:00 pm Recorders
7:04 pm Bible Study

Thursday, Dec. 17

5:30 pm Worship Committee
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 pm Praise Choir Rehearsal

Friday, Dec. 18

9:30 am Spectrum Health Volunteer Christmas
Breakfast
6:00 pm Cub Scout Den

Sunday, December 20

8:00 am Praise Band Rehearsal
8:30-11:00 am Coffee
9:00 am Contemporary Worship
10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship
5:00-7:00 pm Legacy Caroling

IMMEDIATE PRAYER

*Family of Jack Bonser,
Family of Lewis John
Engler*



Mike Hellerstedt,
Versil Larsen,
Kip McCray,
Katie Nelson,

Sean Nelson,
Norma Page,
Lois Quillan,
Lois Rasch,
Jeff Schwass,
Ken Stroebel,
Sean (Grandson of Sutherlands)
Dale Swanson,
Tom Westcott,
Linda, Lisa, Jason Wollen

MISSIONARIES

Bob & Sue Martin,
Pastor Bernard & Betty
Lumene,
Jamie Garcia

NURSING/ADULT CARE

Nancy Dust,
Ruth Foster,
Phil Hunt,
Billie Jabrocki,
Versil Larsen,
Tom McCumber,
Addie Morgan,
Don Newberg,
Dolores Pahoski,
Don Post,
Doris & Ken Rathert (*parents
of Carol Pehrson*),
Marjorie Schuler,
Frances Shuey,
Dorothy Smogeleski,
Laura Walker,
Matthew Wilson, Oklahoma

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

IN THE MILITARY

SrA Joseph Archer, NV
Sgt. Daniel J. Cook
CSSR Gibson, Emily
Matthew Heard, TN
Greg Heimall III, NC
Col. Jonathan Letsinger, VA
Staff Sgt. Eric Luteyn, KY
Catherine McNaughton, MS
1st Lt. Jane McNaughton
Otto McNaughton, NE
Matthew Raven, NM
E-4 Spc Joshua John Reed, KY
Corey Shinn, South Korea
Tony Wagner, VA

COLLEGE STUDENTS

Sultan Abduljabbar - Ferris, Bio
Technology
Samantha Betke - WMU
Katie Biggs - U of M
McKenzie Gohn - Northwood
Kayla Gottwald - WSCC
Autumn Hackert - GVSU
Natascha Hamman - U of TX
Zachary Hamman - TX St U
Jenna Luke - Northwestern MI
Samantha March - WSCC
Alayna Reum - Parsons, NY
Eric Reum - U of D Dental
Alyssa Scribner - Ferris, Pharmacy
Doctorate Program
Kennedy E. Westcott, U of KY
Jordyn Willick - Ferris State U

HAITI:

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

ZAMBIA:

**Soweto-Kapisha UMC,
Lord's Mountain Orphan-
age, Bwafwano Care
Project and Minerva Phiri**

HENDERSON SETTLEMENT

ONGOING

Rod Beckman,
Al Bouda,
Janet Brennan (sister of
Maralee McCumber),
Sallie Carto,
Seth Cooper,
Todd Courtland,
Pastor Dennis,
Mark Dougherty,
Millie Frederick,
Adrian Garcia,

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 Caryl Ferguson in memory of her husband, Bob Ferguson.

Dave Hamman will be in the narthex today, signing people up to ring bells for Salvation Army.

Don't miss tonight's Third Annual Christmas Praise Concert here at our church, presented by Saint Simon's Church, Lakeside Church and our Water's Edge Praise Band! The concert is at 6:00 pm.

Also today, the W.S.C.C. Concert Choir will perform their Holiday Concert at 2 pm on Center Stage in the Arts and Sciences building. Many of our Chancel Choir members sing in the college choir. You will hear music from George F. Handel's "Messiah"; as well as John Rutter Christmas selections, beautiful solos, harp, and Santa Claus is really coming to town! Come and enjoy!

Looking for a way to serve others this season? The Community Table meal is provided from 4:30 to 6:00 pm each Tuesday at Community Church, 109 North Harrison, to anyone who would like a hot meal. Thirteen churches in a rotation provide the meal. Our church's turn is this Tuesday, December 15! Call Jeanie Burtch (843-8306) to volunteer. As of December 8, no one had volunteered, and Jeanie can't do it alone.

Also on December 15, our Hand Bell Choir and W.S.C.C. Concert Choir will perform a combined concert at the Hart St. Joseph Catholic Church, 2380 West Jackson Road, Hart. The concert is at 7:00 pm.

Bring a friend to one of our Christmas Eve services! The 6:00 service is short and is designed for children. The 7:30 service features our Hand Bell Choir and ends with the congregation singing "Silent Night" and holding candles. The 11:00 service music is provided by the Chancel Choir; that service also ends with "Silent Night" and candles. The nursery will be staffed at the 7:30 service only. All three services will offer Communion. Pick up an invitation at the Welcome Booth, and give or mail it to a friend! Note: We need ushers for the 7:30 and 11:00 Christmas Eve services! Please see John Rodgers.

The 2016 Altar Flowers Chart is in the narthex, ready for you to reserve a date.

From Jane Mengot: Please pick up your 2016 offering envelopes. If you are missing envelopes, notify the Welcome Desk or the church office so I can make a box for you.

From Jean Taylor, Craft Show Event Coordinator: Dear Church Members - I want to thank you for again hosting our annual craft show. We receive many compliments on the venue! Thank you to Dave Hamman and all the church members who were there for setup and cleanup and assistance. You were truly a Godsend. We raised over \$1400 for homeless children in our area. *Much* appreciation.

The Second Annual Christmas on Ice, benefiting the Ludington Area Schools Resource Center, takes place Sunday, December 20 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm at the West Shore Community ice Arena. Bring a nonperishable food item for free skating and skate rental. For more details, see the flyer on the church office bulletin board.

Sarah Schnitker, the daughter of Gary and Sue Ann Schnitker (owners of Cartier Mansion) is a professor at Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, CA in the department of psychology. One of her PhD students, Tyler Greenway, is conducting a research project to study how churchgoers respond to international crises. Participants will complete questionnaires and six reflection activities, all of which will be collected via Internet surveys. Your time commitment will be approximately two hours over two weeks. He would greatly appreciate your participation and would also like to offer a \$20 gift card upon completion of the study. Please contact Sue Ann Schnitker if you would like to be involved. You can email or call her at garyandsueann@charter.net or 231-843-0101.

The Altar Guild has ordered *poinsettias*, which will be displayed in the sanctuary and narthex December 20 and 27. Names of donors will be published in the worship bulletin on those days. *If you plan to bring in a poinsettia yourself, please call the church office (843-8340) by noon Wednesday, December 16, so that your name can be published too.*

Christmas Offering



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