



United Methodist Church of Ludington

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NOVEMBER 26, 2017 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, November 26

- 8:00 am Praise Band Rehearsal
- 9:30 am Contemporary Worship & Sunday School
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship

Monday, November 27

- 10:00 am Flower Ministry

Tuesday, November 28

- 9:00 am Mediation
- 9:30 am Intercessory Prayer
- 4:30 pm Webelos
- 5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 pm Administrative Board

Wednesday, November 29

- 9:00 am Rug Ladies
- 4:30 pm Webelos
- 6:00 pm Catered Meal
- 7:05 pm Pastor's Bible Study

Thursday, November 30

- 11:30 am Ladies Lunch Date at Chef John's
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 8:00 pm Praise Choir Rehearsal

Friday, December 1

- 1:00 pm United Methodist Women Exec. Board

Saturday, December 2

- 4:30-9:30 pm Emmaus Gathering & Potluck

Sunday, December 3 First Sunday of Advent

Communion, Food Pantry Day, New Members Received

- 8:00 am Praise Band Rehearsal
- 8:30 am Judy's Adult Bible Study
- 9:30 am Contemporary Worship & Sunday School
- 10:30-11:00 am Reception for New Members
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship
- 4:30-6:30 pm Legacy Community Service

New members will join our church at both services December 3! Be sure to welcome our new members, and come visit with them at the New Member Reception between services that day.

IMMEDIATE PRAYER

Family of Don Newberg



Sean Nelson
Bob Rasch
Janet Raspotnik
Connie Robertson

NURSING/ADULT CARE

Eldred Chavalia (*Karlyn Bray's dad*)
Dick Davis (*at Oceana Medical Care Facility in Hart*)
Nancy Dust
Myra Easton
Phil Hunt
Nancy Kelley
Betty Lunde
Mary Macklam
Tom McCumber
Dolores Pahoski
Onabelle Pehrson
Dorothy Smogoleski
Laura Walker
Matthew Wilson, Oklahoma

Stephanie Rozell
Ken Stroebel
Nancy Stuart
Brian Tibbot
Pat Trowbridge
Dawna Wilson
Jason & Linda Wolven
Wolvens' Uncle Carlon

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

Coordinator: Sheila McCallum
Ssgt. Joseph Archer, NV
SSG Daniel J. Cook, NC
Kevin D. Coyne, Africa
CSSA Emily Gibson
Matthew Heard, TX
Greg Heimall III, NC
Melody Houk, Gt. Lakes Naval
Staff Sgt. Jacob Hunt
Catherine McNaughton, MS
Capt. Jane McNaughton, South Korea
PV2 Christopher Myer, KY
Paul Nickelson, MI
Sgt. Joshua John Reed, HI

HAITI:

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

ZAMBIA:

**Soweto-Kapisha UMC,
Pastor Bernard & Betty Lumene
& Lord's Mountain Orphanage,
Bwafwano Care Project and
Minerva Phiri**

HENDERSON SETTLEMENT

IN NEED OF PRAYER

Bill Alexander
Rod Beckman
Dan Bernson
Michael Burtch
Allan Carlson
Terry Carpenter (*brother of Judy Penrod*)
Svea Clayton
David (*friend of Sutherlands*)
Shirley Dust
Anne Estle
Tanya Gasaway
Art Isham
Erv Johnson
Sherry Johnson
Sara Jones
Sally LaFrance
Dan Laliberte
Maralee McCumber
Kay Neal

COLLEGE STUDENTS

Coordinator: Penny Quillan
Alex Bachus - U of M
Alexis Bushard - GVSU
Timmy Bushard - Western
Noa Gohn - GVSU
Rachel Gohn - Cornerstone U.
Kayla Gottwald - GVSU
Rachel Ives - U of M
Skylar Korendyke - GVSU
Kate Penrod - U of M
Sam Penrod - Western
Jordyn Sanders - U of M
Alyssa Scribner - Ferris
Tristan Scribner - Ferris
Mallory Shinn - Hope College
Meredith Sparks - Central

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 in loving memory of Dale and Jackie Masten by Bill and Marcia Olmstead and family.



It is that time of year again. UMCL **bellringers** will begin ding-a-linging for the Salvation Army at the west door of Walmart starting Friday, November 24. Lots of volunteers are needed. Sign up before or after church in the narthex. We certainly appreciate your effort in this mission outreach. *Cyndi & Steve Scott*

Toys for Tots and Gifts for Teens: A special collection box wrapped in red foil can be found in the Christian Education hallway across from the nursery. Please join the Children's Sunday School class as we collect Christmas toys and gifts for the Salvation Army. Items should be new and unwrapped. Gifts may be for toddlers through teens. Wednesday, December 13 will be the final collection day. *Betty Tabor*

The Story of Christmas will be presented Sunday, December 17 at 10:30 am. All children from preschool through 7th grade are invited and encouraged to participate. This will be the only church service that day. The children's "Krystal Bells" group and the adult bell choir will also provide music. Please come and bring your friends! Following the service, all are invited into Fellowship Hall for a "Birthday Party for Jesus." Parents, rehearsals will be held each Sunday during the 9:30-10:30 am Sunday School hour. Costuming will take place at that time as well. There will be an additional, and important, rehearsal the day before the program, Saturday, December 16, from 9:00 to 11:00 am.

Lenten Devotional Faith Stories Due November 30.

Thank you to all those who have said "Yes" to sharing their faith story in our Lenten Devotional for 2018. We continue to encourage you and pray for you! We have already been greatly blessed by the stories that have been turned in and experiences that you are willing to share. Know that when our Devotional is complete, printed and handed out, you too will be blessed by these writings. We continue to share some of the faith stories from the Lenten Devotional of 1996 and 1998. *Please be sure your faith story is turned in by November 30.* You may email it to Joan Kaatz at joankaatz@aol.com or Lynne Gohn at dlgg79@charter.net. You may also turn your faith story in at the office and place it in the Evangelism or Prayer Ministry box. If you have any questions, you may contact Joan at 231-398-8523 or Lynne at 843-4746. To God be the glory!

The public is invited to the Ludington Area Center for the Arts on Monday, November 27 at 2:00 pm and 5:30 pm for public input concerning the **Mason County Promise**. A motivated group of individuals is researching the idea of a promise type scholarship to include all of Mason County's Michigan school systems. For more information, see the church office bulletin board, or attend one of the meetings and hear about it first hand.

From United Methodist Women President Karen Genson

- Just a reminder to UMW Ladies—if you have **Thank Offering** for the year or the remainder of your UMW pledge that you would like to turn in, please turn in to Monica Stewart early this week. She needs to turn the 2017 monies in to the district by November 30. If you can't, that's OK. Just have it be part of 2018 giving.
- Thank you so much for helping make the **UMW Bazaar** so successful once again this year—raising around \$5,000 for missions! Thank you for donating items, preparing and serving lunch, working on the Bazaar day, setting up before, setting up and tearing down tables, etc; and thanks to all those who shopped and spread the word to other shoppers!
- Thank you to Sue Martin for her fine **UMW Sunday** message and to The Praise Band, Becky Sopha, The Praise Choir (Beautiful "Simple Gifts" with violin) and all of the ladies who participated in the services. UMW makes gifts to mission in honor of some people each year. This year, Lynne Gohn was presented the Special Mission Recognition Award for her dedicated work with our church's prayer ministry and women's Bible studies, and Kathy Radtke was presented with the Shining Light Award for the many things she dedicates herself to in this church and community. You may want to join us by expressing your appreciation to them for all that they do.
- UMW Ladies will be doing the **West Shore Bank Christmas Open House** on Friday, December 8 from 9 am to 5 pm at the East Ludington Avenue branch at **5725 W US 10**. Please call [Karen Genson at 843-2482](tel:843-2482) if you would be willing to donate 3 dozen homemade Christmas cookies for the event and/or would be willing to work for a 2 hour time slot (we always have two ladies work at a time, so you don't work alone), making coffee and keeping the refreshment table well stocked. Missions benefit, as the bank makes a donation to UMW for doing their open house. Thank you in advance for your assistance.
- The **November Ladies Lunch Date** will be at Chef John's at 11:30 am. Please sign up in the church office so we know approximately how many to make reservations for, but if you forget to reserve, don't stay home! Come and join us, and bring a friend!



2017 Poinsettia Order Form



It's time to order poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary! You may place your completed order form and check in the offering plate, or bring or mail them to the church office. Make checks out to United Methodist Church of Ludington. **ORDERS AND CHECKS MUST BE IN THE OFFICE BY END OF DAY DECEMBER 15.** Poinsettias may be red, pink or white. They will be in the sanctuary December 24 and 31.

___ 4" plant	\$7.00 each	=	\$ _____	Color _____
___ Single	\$16.00 each	=	\$ _____	Color _____
___ Double	\$27.50 each	=	\$ _____	Color _____
___ Triple	\$35.00 each	=	\$ _____	Color _____

Given by (your name) _____

In HONOR of _____

and/or _____

In MEMORY of _____

Many thanks to everyone who donated blood or volunteered for our November 17 Red Cross **Blood Drive**. We brought in 26 units! Our next blood drive is January 19, 2018.

- *The following items are from Allan Carlson, Evangelism Committee Chairperson.*
- **Lunch Bunch** (formerly XYZ Group) will meet in Fellowship Hall at noon Thursday, December 7. After a potluck meal, Emily Garland will share some Christmas music with us on her violin. Please bring a dish to pass and a friend or two and join us for a good time together.
- **Advent** begins Sunday, December 3. Advent devotional booklets entitled *Jesus, God's Promise* by Henri Nouwen will be available on the Literature Table in the hallway to Fellowship Hall beginning November 26. We encourage you and your family to use these devotions during the Advent season.
- We will conduct **nursing home worship services** on Sunday, December 17. We will be at Tendercare at 2:15 pm, Ludington Woods at 3:00, and Oakview at 3:45. Please join us if you can, to visit with the residents and help with the singing.
- We will serve **Community Table** from 4:30 to 6:00 pm at Community Church on Tuesday, December 19. If you'd like to help prepare or serve this meal, please contact Jennifer MacDonald at 690-8944, Donna Posselt at 690-1647, or Allan Carlson at 843-7071. Thanks in advance for your willingness to help with this important service to the community.

Don't miss our **Fifth Annual Christmas Praise Concert and Program** at 6:00 pm Sunday, December 10! The concert will include music performed by the St. Simon's praise band and our own praise band, Waters Edge. We will have puppets too! There will be refreshments after the concert.