



United Methodist Church of Ludington

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DECEMBER 24, 2017 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, December 24 Fourth Sunday of Advent Christmas Eve

- 10:00am Festival of Lessons and Carols
- 7:30pm Candlelight Communion Service
- 11:00pm Candlelight Communion Service

Monday, December 25 Christmas Day Office closed

Tuesday, December 26

- 9:30 am Intercessory Prayer
- 5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, December 27

- 9:00 am Rug Ladies
- 7:00 pm Legacy Sleepover

Thursday, December 28

No choir rehearsals

Friday, December 29 Office closed

Sunday, December 31 New Year's Eve

- 8:00 am Praise Band
- 8:30 am Judy's Adult Bible Study
- 9:30 am Comtemp Worship & Sunday School
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship

Monday, January 1, 2018 New Year's Day Office Closed

NOTE:

**** No Catered Dinners nor Bible Study for Dec. 27th or Jan. 3rd, 2018 . It will start up again on Jan.10th, 2018.**

**** Legacy Sleepover on Weds., Dec. 27th at 7:00pm
Until Thurs., Dec.28th at 9 or 10:00 am.**

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 Smogaleski
- Laura Walker
- Matthew Wilson, Oklahoma

HAITI:

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

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
- Dan Bernson
- Michael Burtch
- Terry Carpenter (*brother of Judy Penrod*)
- Svea Clayton
- Shirley Dust
- Anne Estle
- Tanya Gasaway
- Art Isham
- Erv Johnson
- Sherry Johnson
- Sara Jones
- Sally LaFrance
- Dan Laliberte
- Maralee McCumber
- Kay Neal



- Sean Nelson
- Bob Rasch
- Janet Raspotnik
- Connie Robertson
- 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
SrA Joseph Archer, NV
SSG Daniel J. Cook, NC
Kevin D. Coyne, TX
CSSA Emily Gibson, CA
Matthew Heard, TX
Greg Heimall III, NC
Melody Houk, Gt. Lakes Naval
Staff Sgt. Jacob Hunt, TN
Catherine McNaughton, MS
Capt. Jane McNaughton
PV2 Christopher Myer, KY
Paul Nickelson, MI
Sgt. Joshua John Reed, TN

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
Emma Taranko - GVSU

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.

Legacy will host another **Soup Lunch** Sunday, January 14, from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm. Mark your calendars. There will be a free will donation.

The 2018 offering envelope boxes are in the narthex. If you had envelopes this year I assigned a box for you this year. There are some extra boxes, so if you would like envelopes please contact me or leave a note in my box.

Dennis Genson, Financial Secretary

From Joan Schwass, United Methodist Women

This is a long-overdue report on one of our major mission projects. Each summer the UMW members meet to put together cherry pies. Costs of our supplies come out of the UMW treasury. However, the main ingredient, the cherries, are donated by Hackert Farms. Roy and David compliment us about the quality, flavor, and presentation of our pies. Our hope is to continue to make pies as a project. It has been an excellent fundraiser, helped immensely by this donation. They say they are the best church pies they have had. They think it's the cherries. I think it is the preparation. Together we are a success.

What are you doing for **Christmas Dinner**? Why not join Pastor Dennis and other folks of our church for a potluck at 12:30 pm on Christmas Day? Sign up in the church office.

Beautiful **men's watch found in church**. See or call Judy Downing.

Due to staff vacation, there will not be a January Footprints. We will publish a January-February edition in the middle of next month. You can pick up a copy of the January birthday calendar from the church office or the Welcome Desk beginning December 31.

The Fifth Annual "Christmas Praise Concert" was a great success, thanks to the generous help of several people who assisted with the event.

First: I want to call out a special thank you to the UMC women and the praise band members who supplied all the home baked cookies for the reception. The variety was fantastic and they were very well received by all. Also, thanks to Mary Russell for the setup of the reception.

Second: Thanks to the church youth team "Legacy." You came through with flying colors: Serving cookies and punch, bus-ing tables, and taking up the free will offering. Thank you for your youth energy and smiles. You represented the church in excellent style.

Third: Thank you, Dennis Tabor, for stepping in at the last minute to run the projection/sound board for the videos and caroling lyrics.

Fourth: Thank you, Becky Sopha, for playing the piano for the audience caroling, which was a great wrap-up to our program.

Fifth: A special heartfelt thank you to the UMC Puppet Praise Team for joining us this year. Their story, "Shining Bright" was the perfect message for the evening.

Sixth: Big thanks go out to IOS Entertainment "sound engineers" for providing the equipment and services that made us sound great.

Seventh: Thank you to the Praise Team from St. Simon's Church for joining us for the third year.

Eighth: I wish to say thank you to our own UMC Praise Band "Water's Edge," for your willingness to give your time, talents and dedication to provide our church with "a Joyful noise" and a very fitting Christmas praise music.

Most of all, I would be remiss if I didn't thank all those who took the time out of their busy holiday schedule to attend our concert. You are truly what made the program a success...because, without an audience a concert is just a rehearsal.

I look forward to our sixth annual Christmas Praise Concert & Program.

Merry Christmas to all.

Sincerely,

Jack Russell

Director of the United Methodist Church of Ludington's Praise Band "Water's Edge"