



United Methodist Church of Ludington

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DECEMBER 3, 2017 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, December 3 First Sunday of Advent, Holy Communion, Reception of New Members, Food Pantry Day

8:00 am Praise Band Rehearsal
8:30 am Adult Bible Studies
9:30 am Contemporary Worship & Sunday School
10:30-11:00 am Cake and Greet New Members
11:00 am Traditional Worship
4:30-6:30 pm Legacy Community Service
Special music by Pete Kehoe at both worship services - see insert.

Monday, December 4

10:00 am Flower Ministry
6:00 pm Evangelism Committee

Tuesday, December 5

9:30 am Intercessory Prayer
4:30 pm Webelos
5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm Trustees

Wednesday, December 6

9:00 am Rug Ladies
4:30 pm Webelos
6:00 pm Catered Meal
6:30-8:30 pm Praise Band Practice
7:05 pm Pastor's Bible Study

Thursday, December 7

9:30 am Mediation
12:00 pm Lunch Bunch
5:00-7:00 pm Cub Den
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 pm Praise Choir Rehearsal

Friday, December 8

10:00 am Mediation

Sunday, December 10

8:00 am Praise Band Rehearsal
8:30 am Judy's Adult Bible Study
9:30 am Contemporary Worship & Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship
12:30 pm Reel to Real
6:00 pm Christmas Praise Concert

IMMEDIATE PRAYER

Family of Don Newberg



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

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
Dan Bernson
Michael Burtch
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

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
Ssgt. Joseph Archer, NV
SSG Daniel J. Cook, NC
Kevin D. Coyne, TX
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
PV2 Christopher Myer, KY
Paul Nickelson, MI
Sgt. Joshua John Reed, HI

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.

Today we welcome the following people into our church fellowship! Come greet them and have cake and coffee in Fellowship Hall, 10:30 to 11:00 am today.

Susan Hodde, 1020 N. Sherman, Ludington, MI 49431, (231) 843-4817, joins by Profession of Faith.

Richard & Mary (Beth) Mallon, 1431 N. Cedar Lane, Scottville, MI 49454, (989) 214-0254, come to us as transfers from Presbyterian Church of Barnet, Vermont.

Andy & Mary Rozell, and Andy's mother Judith Rozell, 9924 N. US Hwy 31, Free Soil, MI 49411, (231) 955-8818, transferred here last summer from Mount Hope United Methodist Church, Lansing, MI. Andy and Mary have a teenage daughter, Stephanie.

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 it 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.*"

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.

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 United Methodist Women President Karen Genson

- 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 the church office 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.
- You won't want to miss the **UMW Christmas Tea** on Saturday, December 16 at 1:30 pm. The singing group, "The Joy Singers," will entertain you, the UMW ladies are planning beautiful and delicious treats to eat, and there is always wonderful fellowship together. Please be sure to reserve this time on your calendar for this treat for yourself, and maybe invite a guest or two to join you. See you there!
- Our last **Ladies Lunch Date** of the year! We will meet at 1:00 pm on Monday, December 18th at El Rancho Restaurant at 4743 W US Highway 10. 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 _____

Today's special music is provided by Pete Kehoe, is a multi-talented musician based in Northern Michigan, and Pastor Dennis' son-in-law. His widely varied resumé includes having opened for bands such as Foghat, Humble Pie and Hootie & the Blowfish, composing and producing Emmy award-winning music for documentaries, the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation and TED, as well as various shows on The Travel Channel, The Science Channel, CMT, and TLC. Pete regularly performs a solo acoustic act at some of the biggest resorts in the Midwest, playing a mix of clever, off-the-beaten-path covers and originals. In his free time, he likes to ski, golf, and moonlight as an amateur chef. Learn more at petemusic.com.

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.

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 today. 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 Possehn at 690-1647, or Allan Carlson at 843-7071. Thanks in advance for your willingness to help with this important service to the community.