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From Your Pastor

This is the time of year when our thoughts turn to Christmas. For some, it is their favorite time of year. They love all the activities and things we associated with Christmas. For others, it's one of the most difficult times. They may not have good memories of past Christmases or it may more keenly miss a loved one at this time. For many, it's a mixed bag. There's so much to do, even if it's good, that there's added stress on both time and budget.

The more we stay focused on the true meaning of the season, the more we will experience its joy and peace. The key to true joy and lasting peace at Christmas is keeping our celebration centered on Jesus, the Holy One who loves us so much that he gave up his exalted place in heaven and came to live among us as a helpless baby, born into humble circumstances. But there's more! Not only did Jesus come to some 2000 years ago, but he still comes to us today especially as we wait and pray and serve and invite him deeper into our hearts this season. And of course, we wait in hope knowing that one glorious day Jesus will come again and fulfill all God's promises.

I hope you'll take advantage of the things Aldersgate offers to help you keep focused on Jesus. Be sure to pick up an Advent Devotional at the welcome table if you haven't already. Join us on December 5 for an intergenerational celebration. There's more information about that on Page 4. On Saturday, December 11, at 11:00 AM there will be a special service for those who are having a hard time this season, especially those who are grieving lost loved ones. The Aldersgate Choir is offering their annual Christmas Cantata on December 19 at both services. There will be three candlelight services on Christmas Eve: 5:00 PM Children and Family Service; 7:30 PM Traditional Service with the Choir; and 11:00 PM Communion Service.

I pray you have a wonder-filled Christmas filled with true joy and lasting peace and a blessed new year.

In Christ's Love,

Anne

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December and January



Our Ministry of Concern

People are added and deleted to our ongoing prayer list on request.

Please call the church office if you have other names that need to be added or re-instated to the list or removed from the list.

If you have a prayer request, please call Barbara Robinson at 227-7845.

In hospice care: Muriel McKenna – Hamilton Manor Nursing Home, Grace Mack – Hill Haven Nursing Home

In rehab: Milt Ashley, Len Mack – Hill Haven; Rosetta Knapp – Jewish Home

Recovering at home: Al Antczak, Rachel Carstens, John Hayashi, Greg Heizyk, Ruth Loomis, Tommy Maggio, Joan Michlin, Carlton Wohlers

Those with ongoing health concerns: Vonnie Ackerman (sister of Gloria Montgomery), Joyce Anderson (sister of Wanda Strauss), Hayden Armendinger (father of Debbie Kennedy), Denise Bayer, Sebastian Bayer (cousin of Candy & John Metzger), Mavis Beers, Nancy Beers (granddaughter of Mavis and Malcolm), Sherry Bennett (neice of Sylvia Lynch), Kelsey-Lynn Cheshak, Paul Brandenburg (nephew of Jerry & Ken Sisson), Kathy Brandt (sister-in-law of Robin Fox), Phoebe

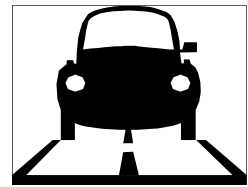
Brown, Sharon Burkhart (wife of Rodger Burkhart), Jessica Christie, Ted Coburn, Ursalee Crepinsek (cousin of Myrle/Beverly Johnson), Sarah Crough (niece of Doug & Nancy Jones), Diane Czebatol (daughter of Janet Pelcher), Logan Desmone (child of friend of Lisa Deutsch), Brenda Donovan, Carl Dunn, Bobbie Eckert, Jerry Eckert, Carol Finch (friend of the DeVincentis Family), Roger Forbes, Jay Glowinski (friend of Denise Sayre), Dave Haring, Joyce Heimbürger (friend of Jerry Sisson), Diane Haschmann, Becky Hess, Gary & Cindy Hogan, Lynn Huenemann (daughter of Charlotte and Roger Ridley), John Jelto, Earl Kelley (father of Cindy Groves), Bonnie Kennedy (former member), Anna Kneisel (mother of Anne Palmer), Kyle Laitenberger (nephew of Jerry & Ken Sisson), Madeline Larabee (great granddaughter of Nancy Wayne), Kim Latragna, Warren Lenau (father of Debbie Lenau), Lynn Linder (sister-in-law of Tammy Ruiz), Ruth Loomis, Steven Lynch (son of Sylvia Lynch), Charlotte McCabe (daughter of Betty Baybutt), Eleanor McKee (sister of Bob Wiederhold), Ed McCormick, Lea McQuown, Craig Michaeloski, Joan Michlin, Denise Montgomery (daughter of Gloria Montgomery), Charles Peyser (father of Bobbi Mohrmann), Kamran Pickering (grandson of Donna Colangelo),

Norman Poisson (friend of Annette Thompson), Polly Roberts (friend of Bette Edgett), Marilyn Rogenmoser (mother of David Rogenmoser), Steven Savage, Michael Simons (grandson of Tom Simons), Melody Simmons (friend of Karen Rice), John Sobus, Jr., David Stanley, Alene VanPutte, Hal Wagner, Mark Williams (son-in-law of Bob Wiederhold), Chris Woessner (brother of Maria Stanley), Debbie Wolfe, Clair Yeamans (stepfather of David Kaszubowski).

Our home-bound: Jean Frey, John Sobus, Leonora Tyler

Nursing Homes/Living Centers: Jeanne Barr – Hilton East; Malcolm Beers – Canandaigua; John Haldane – Hamlet; Leota Matthews – Monroe Community Hospital; Jean Smith, Marion Vogelsong – Crimson Ridge; Betty Shoemaker – Shore Winds; Maxine Pollock – Blossom View Nursing Home in Sodus, NY; Martha Thomson – Woodlands

Christian sympathy is extended to Shirley Simmons and family on the death of Shirley's daughter, Donna. It is also extended to Colleen Tyler and family on the death of her nephew.



Please call the church office, if you need a ride for a doctor's appointment at 663-3665.

PARISH VISITATIONS

Please advise the church office when someone enters the hospital (or is discharged). This will help in providing better pastoral care and help avoid unnecessary trips. If you, or someone of whom you are aware, desire a pastoral call, please advise the church office. Arrangements for the Sacrament of Holy Communion are encouraged. Both pastors and the lay visitation ministers visit regularly and would be happy to include others in



There are two prayer chains at Aldersgate. Each is coordinated by Barbara Robinson. One is for daytime calling. The other is for calling in the evening. Each member of the prayer chain has only one person to call and everyone will lift up the prayer requests in his or her own way. This can be a very rewarding experience, especially when concerns turn into joy. We invite you to be part of this care team. Call me at 227-7845.



ALL items for the February
Hinge are due
January 16

From the Pastor of Visitation and Membership Care

Advent is here again — the beginning of another Christian year — and the time of preparation for Christmas!

As we prepare our hearts for Christmas, I'd like to share with you a prayer written by Joyce Rupp which appeared in the December issue of *The Joyful Newsletter* (used by permission). It is titled:

A Christmas Prayer

*May there be harmony in all your relationships.
 May sharp words, envious thoughts, and hostile
 feelings be dissolved.
 May you give and receive love generously.
 May this love echo in your heart like the church
 bells on a clear December day.
 May the hope of this sacred season settle in your
 soul.
 May it be a foundation of courage for you when
 times of distress occupy your inner land.
 May the wonder and awe that fills the eyes of
 children be awakened within you.
 May it lead you to renewed awareness and appre-
 ciation of whatever you too easily take for granted.
 May the bonds of love for one another be*

*strengthened as you gather with your family and
 friends around the table of festivity and nourish-
 ment.*

*May you daily open the gift of your life and be
 grateful for the hidden treasure it contains.*

*May the coming year be one of good health for
 you.*

' May you have energy and vitality.

*May you care well for your body, mind, and
 spirit.*

*May you keep your eye on the Star within you
 and trust this Luminescent Presence to guide and
 direct you each day.*

*May you go often to the Bethlehem of your
 heart and visit the One who offers you peace.*

May you bring this peace into our world.

May this special season be a time to reflect on the real meaning of Christmas. I hope you'll be able to participate in the various opportunities of Advent as listed in this issue of the *Hinge*.

A blessed Christmas to you and yours ~

Jerry Wolter
 Visitation Pastor



Christian Education

Advent Devotions

Be sure to pick up a devotion booklet *The AH-HAs of Advent* for Advent, which begins November 28 this year. They are on the shelf in front of the tract rack. Children and Youth will receive a calendar of Advent activities in Sunday School and Youth Group.

Advent Event

Circle Sunday, December 5 on your calendar for an Intergenerational Advent Event. We'll gather together as the Aldersgate Family, beginning with a covered dish lunch after the 11:00AM worship service, and a challenge to find the meaning of Christmas. After lunch there will be a number of fun, family-friendly activities (making holiday cards for shut-ins and a nursing home, making graham cracker gingerbread houses, games in the Youth Area, and an opportunity to pray with a labyrinth), followed by a carol sing. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board near the elevator - it's helpful for planning to know about how many people are coming.

John Wesley time-line

The children of *Children's Workshop* (Grades 1-5, 11:15-noon) have put together a fabulous timeline of John Wesley's life. You'll find this timeline on the bulletin board in room 3. Check it out! This man, the founder of Methodism, was a true saint of the church who let God's light shine through his life.

Adult study continues

The adult Sunday School classes are growing! We always have room for one more - is that person you? The 9:30 class is continuing a study of *The Relationship Principles of Jesus*. The 11:00 class continues to read and discuss its way through the Old Testament book of Jeremiah.

Teacher slots

We have a need for teachers for grades 1-4 during both services. Speak to Nancy if you are willing to fill in on either a substitute basis, or on a regular once-a-month commitment. Thank you!

Children's Magazines for the month are placed in the tract rack. Be sure to pick up this fun-filled magazine for children and their families.

Faith Factor Youth Ministry



What's going on in December?

- 3 – Faith Factor Live, 7-9pm (Ide)**
- 5 – Church Advent Celebration, 12-3pm**
- 6 – Happy Birthday Christian!**
- 10 – Faith Factor Live, 7-9pm (Ide)**
- 12 – Youth Fellowship, 6-8pm (YR)**
- 17-18 – Christmas Party Lock-in, 9pm-8am**
- 19 – Youth group caroling trip, 3-6pm**

Youth Group Caroling Trip – All Invited!

The youth group is sponsoring a caroling trip on Sunday December 19 to some of our church members who are shut-in this Christmas season. Everyone is welcome (not just youth), talent or no talent though some talent would be good! We'll meet at the church at 3:00pm, carol until about 5:00pm, then come back to church for dinner. Please join us!

What is Faith Factor Youth Ministry?

We are a COMMUNITY of young people passionate about LEARNING and LIVING our faith in Jesus Christ.

Christmas Party Lock-In

What you've all been waiting for: our fall – yes, still fall – lock-in will also be our youth group Christmas party!

December 17-18

Come at 9:00pm on Friday night and leave at 8am on Saturday morning

Bring:

- **a wrapped gift that is something you already have or something you buy for no more than \$5**
- **\$5 to help cover the cost of food**
- **sleeping bag and pillow**
- **friends**

EVERYONE in grades 6-12 is invited to Youth Fellowship, Faith Factor Live, and any youth group outings. Why not bring a friend with you?

Birthdays and Anniversaries in December & January

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Rodger Burkhardt	December 1
Carol Wright	December 6
Jerry Jones	December 9
Zuni Garcia ^s Simons	December 10
Samantha Christie	December 11
Shannon Forbes	December 16
Nora (Spindler) Miller	December 18
Katie O'Connor	December 20
Stephanie Bock	December 22
John Sobus	December 24
Cindy Roza	December 24
Noel Anderson	December 25
Carol Pearson	December 25

Kathy Savage	December 25
Andy Deutsch	December 27
Fran VanKouwenberg	December 27
Daniel Savage	December 28
Leslie Edgcomb	December 30

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Christine Rice	January 3
Barb Draft	January 4
Jane Guitsen	January 5
Kelley Groves	January 7
Carole Jermyn	January 8
John Grizzanti	January 9

Wilma Shaughnessy	January 11
Shirley Simmons	January 13
Joseph Michaloski	January 19
Jan Rothfuss	January 19
Len Mack	January 20
Holly Deutsch	January 20
Gregory Norris	January 22
Muriel McKenna	January 22
Sara VanKouwenberg	January 23
Nancy Jones	January 31
Kim Latragna	January 31



DECEMBER & JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Terry & Nancy Young	December 13
Harry & Roxanna Muthersbaugh	December 22
Ed & Shirley Geier	December 26
Nancy & Ken Rex	December 28
Cary & Jennifer Hughes	December 29

TV NEEDED

★ A 25 - 32" TV with AV hookups is needed for the
★ Youth Room to play DVD's on. This size will fit in
★ their cabinet. If you have one that you can donate,
★ please contact Derek Hansen at 716-628-7319 or
★ dhansen@aumcgreece.org.

Aldersgate United Methodist Women

TWO DOORS SPEAKER AT NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Donna Hutchinson, the President of the Board of **Two Doors Community Resource Center**, will speak at the **Tuesday, December 7**, General Meeting of Aldersgate UMW. Because the Greece School District is changing its transportation arrangements for the next school year, Two Doors will need additional space just to continue to serve the number of youngsters they already have. In addition, they are beginning conversations about providing a middle school program. Students they currently serve would like to continue in the program and Two Doors Board sees the need, but they do not have room in their current facilities. As a result, they are looking for space for satellite programs. We do have appropriate facilities. This is your opportunity to learn more about the program Two Doors offers so that you can be part of an informed discussion of whether or not we should proceed.

The menu for the 6:15 PM supper has changed for this meeting. We will be serving **spaghetti & meatballs** rather than the usual soup and salad. The price will still be just \$3.00. (No fundraising involved!) The program will begin around 7:00 PM. The UMW will hold a brief business meeting after the program primarily to determine their end-of-year giving.

Please sign up on the Opportunities Board so that we can have a place prepared for you.



JANUARY MEETING FEATURES AWARD-WINNING RED BIRD MISSION VIDEO

Have you ever traveled to Red Bird Mission in Kentucky? Even though our church has regularly supported mission work there, primarily through collection of Campbell's Soup labels (now UPC's) and General Mills Box Tops for Education, few of us have been there. Here's your chance to learn more about the area and the impact of the United Methodist presence there.

Mission Appalachia: The Story of Red Bird was in chosen for inclusion in three major film festivals in 2009: Louisville's International Festival of Film, River's Edge International Film Festival, and Southern Appalachian International Film Festival. One of the voices you will hear is that of Craig Dial, who spoke to us about his ministry of economic development at Red Bird when he was here with Red Bird Crafts in 2007. The stories of hope and compassion shared by both the mountain people and the volunteers who travel from all over the United States to serve there are inspiring. For an advance peek at the film, go to the Aldersgate website (www.aumcgreece.org) which has a link to a preview of the film.

Join us in the Ide Center on **Thursday, January 27, at 6:15 PM** for supper and enjoy this important film. Everyone interested is welcome. Please remember to sign up on the Opportunities Board.

READING CIRCLE



Members of Reading Circle will view a video of *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* at its **December 2** meeting as a change from the usual discussion—not that the video won't stimulate a little conversation! A much beloved (and hilarious) story, *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* is worth reading or viewing every year.

For **January 6**, we will read John Grisham's *The Testament*. This gripping novel is certain to provoke strong discussion.

Reading Circle meets at 1:00 PM on the first Thursday of each month. The books from the Public Library are available in advance in the church library each month. Please be sure to sign your name when you take one out and to cross it off when you return the book so that others can read it.

Reading Circle meets on the first Thursday of each month at 1:00 PM. Members take turns leading devotions and serving refreshments each month. New members and visitors are always welcome. For more information, contact Helen Wolter (621-1904) or Frances Crabtree (392-0772).

UPCOMING DATES:

December 13 & January 10 – Sew 'n Sew's meet at 1:00 PM in Room 1. Members are working on school bags, sweaters, and baby gowns for UMCOR kits and caps for preemies at local hospitals.

December 14 & January 18 – Morning Circle meets in the Parlor at 11:00 AM. Spiritual Growth Coordinator Barbara Draft will lead the December meeting and the January meeting will feature a new comedy video by one of our favorite performers.

Mission News

CHRISTMAS OFFERING DESIGNATED

As we have in years past, half our annual Christmas offering will be used to support **Gateway-Longview**, a United Methodist-related service agency that provides a full range of services for children and their families in the Western New York area. The children in their care range in age from pre-school to young adult. Gateway-Longview is the largest single non-governmental agency serving children and families in Western New York. Those who visit the facilities near Buffalo are impressed with the variety of services offered and the loving care with which they are given. We can be thankful that our United Methodist Church is able to respond to these needs in Western New York with skilled staff, well-equipped facilities and Christian love.

The other half has been designated for **Cookson Hills Center**, the ministry in Eastern Oklahoma where our covenant missionary, Meri Whitaker, is assigned. Like most mission and service agencies, they are experiencing a shortfall in funds; yet their ministry is vital to the area. In a recent letter asking for additional support, Meri noted the long list of people who first came to Cookson Hills for help who have since entered full-time Christian service either at the mission or elsewhere in Oklahoma.

The Missions Committee is charged each year with the responsibility of selecting the beneficiaries of the Christmas Offering.

Your check to Aldersgate marked "*Christmas Offering*" or placed in the Christmas Offering envelope of your weekly envelope set will go to support these two ministries of outreach. Your gift does make a difference in the lives of others.

ELECTION DAY BAKE SALE RESULTS

For the first time ever, we sold out of baked goods & "folded our tents" by 3:30 PM, having sold \$296.75 in baked goods and crafts. Hosting four Election Districts doubled the usual number of people passing through, and our own members were good about stopping by as well. The proceeds complete our commitment to raise \$1000 to help support a doctor at Ganta Hospital in Liberia, Africa. We thank everyone who supported this annual sale with baked goods, staffing, and purchases. Without such strong support, we clearly couldn't be this successful each year.

DR. CHRIS HENA GOES HOME TO LIBERIA FOR A WORKING VACATION

From an e-mail on her birthday, Chris Hena reported that she will be going home in mid-December and **has been assigned to Ganta Hospital for six weeks** to help with community-based primary health care projects there. Last winter in Kazakhstan was so harsh that there were many days they couldn't get out at all to work with the community; so she asked for a temporary re-assignment this year in order to be useful during the worst of the winter months.

Work in Kazakhstan is making progress, particularly from the early years when many people were sure she was from the CIA. By making community members more aware of the benefits of preventive services, they have seen an increased demand for key community-based primary health care interventions, increased adoption of healthy behaviors by mothers and others in the community, and increased community effort to solve health problems. The mission focus on control of diarrheal disease, nutrition and micronutrients, immunizations, child spacing, and maternal and newborn care and primary health care services are taking root.

MISSION SHARE & CAMERON NEEDS CONTINUE

Mission Share continues to need our support by supplying both toilet tissue and feminine products for their clients. There is a box marked for Mission Share behind the Welcome Table.



Cameron also has a continuing need for personal hygiene products: soap, men's and women's deodorants, razors, shaving cream, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, conditioner, lotion, combs or brushes, plastic bandages, sanitary napkins, and toilet tissue.

Please don't be discouraged in your giving if the box is full. Our regular volunteers have had their hands full with church and personal obligations lately and haven't been able to deliver the supplies quite as frequently as they would like, but they take care of them whenever they can. Additional volunteers are needed. If you would like to help, see Joyce Farrokh (865-5135, Gretchen Hughes (865-2822), or Gege Dunn (663-

Mission News

JANUARY 16 HUMAN RELATIONS DAY

Human Relations Day is an opportunity to celebrate our United Methodist connections. The special offering this Sunday supports Community Developers, UM Voluntary Service, and the Youth Offender Rehabilitation Program.

One example of how this offering helps is the Redemption Youth Program at Redemption Penn Avenue UMC in Oklahoma. In Oklahoma, 50% of children whose parents are incarcerated will be incarcerated themselves. Already focused on prisoners and ex-prisoners, Redemption Ministries is trying to intervene by reaching out to children and families as well. Joy Block, the Youth Director, was once incarcerated herself. She can identify with both the children and their parents and knows that key to breaking this cycle is surrounding these young people with God's love. "What I want them to do is follow God first," Joy says, "That's number one. Because that's going to be their strength always in life."

Individually our impact may be limited, but through our United Methodist connections we can change lives! Please be generous.

AND A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL!

The 2010 Aldersgate Auction took in a total of \$2472.02 that will benefit both the next Greece Churches Habitat for Humanity project and our own Building Fund. There are still a few expenses that have to be paid, but there will be well more than a thousand dollars going to each. We were delighted to have Carol Ritter and her husband with us for the evening once again. She and our four "Vannas" kept us entertained while we were spending our money! We are also getting a number of repeat visitors who enjoy the hearty spaghetti & meatball supper and stay to bid. Thank you to all who helped to make this evening a success.

WHITE GIFTS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Helping Needy Families for 40 Years

The Aldersgate tradition of providing Christmas dinner and gifts for needy families will continue this year. We intend to provide help to at least 16 families. Listed below are some of the ways that you can help to make this a special Christmas for those families.

How can you help?

MONETARY DONATIONS

ADOPT-A-FAMILY - Money will be provided from the White Gifts general funds. You have the rewarding assignment of personally shopping and delivering to your "family." Suggested guidelines will be provided for you.

SPONSOR-A-FAMILY - (Full responsibility for a needy family).

Just like the "Adopt-A-Family" option except that you fully sponsor the cost of the food and gifts. Expect to spend between \$175-\$225 for food and gifts for an average size recipient family. *You may want to share this project with other Aldersgate families, co-workers, neighbors, or friends and split the expense.*

PURCHASE GROCERIES FOR A FAMILY – Money can be provided from the White Gifts general funds

DELIVER GROCERIES AND GIFTS – The groceries and gifts will be provided for you to deliver to a needy family.

Plan Now!

Speak to Jan or Tracy Winter at church or contact them by phone at 225-4927 for more information and to volunteer in this very rewarding venture as soon as possible. You may also e-mail Jan at jwinter@frontiernet.net.

Do you know what God is whispering to you?

God still speaks today. The question is “are you listening?” Beginning January 9, we will be embarking on a 4-week church wide journey to explore how to relate to God more consistently, frequently, and intimately. Through Sunday morning messages and small group experiences, we will learn how to know when God is whispering into our hearts and discover the joy that comes to responding to God’s promptings with confidence.

The study is based on the book, “The Power of a Whisper” written by Bill Hybels, best-selling author and senior pastor at Willow Creek Community Church. All the existing small groups will be participating in this study. If you are not currently a member of a small group, this would be a great opportunity to try one out. You are welcome to join any of the existing groups. If there is enough interest, Pastor Anne will add a group on Monday evenings. Sign up for the potential new Monday evening group on the bulletin board by the elevator or call the church office (663-3665). Each small group participant will receive a study guide that costs \$5. We encourage those who can to help cover that cost, but it’s not required. There will also be copies of Hybels’ book available for \$12. If you want a book, please sign up, so we have an idea how many to order.

One of the greatest thrills of the Christ-following life comes from hearing directly from God. Will you join us on this journey and open yourself to hear what God has to say to you? We are praying you will.

Christian Education Update

It is with deepest regret that we have accepted the resignation of our Christian Education Director, Nancy Woodworth-Hill, effective mid December. During the time Nancy was with us, she has been an asset to the continuing development of our Christian Education program. We appreciate her gifts and thank her for her service. Our thoughts and prayers are with her as she pursues her future endeavors.

The Staff Parish Relations Committee is searching for someone to fill the position.

Church Events and Opportunities

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

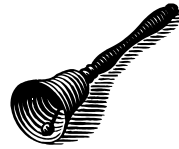
Would you like to volunteer in the Church Office on Fridays to answer the phones? We need people for a few hours in the morning and afternoon, especially before a church event.

Please call the Church Office, if you are interested. You may bring a book to read, knitting, etc. to keep you busy when not answering the phones.

JOIN THE BELL CHOIR

If you like the way our Bell Choir sounds and would like to be part of this music ministry, join us on Saturday mornings at 11:00 AM in the Sanctuary or call Shirley Grierson at 621-1909.

All are welcome!



DINE WITH US AT APPLEBEE'S

Monday, December 6 and
January 3
4:00-9:00 PM

*10% of Food Receipts Benefits our
BUILDING FUND*

INK JET AND LASER PRINTER CARTRIDGES

Bring in your empty ink jet and laser printer cartridges to church. This is ecologically good for the environment and will help to raise funds for special projects. A container for you to deposit your cartridges is in the Gathering Space behind the Welcome Table.



GAME NIGHT DECEMBER 11 & JANUARY 8

at 6:00 PM in the

Ide Family Life Center

Come play Euchre, board games, and
table tennis.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Memorial News

Last month we observed All Saint's Day by dedicating Memorial gifts, as well as honoring deceased members and loved ones. Some of the Memorial gifts dedicated were: 2 Acolyte robes, 14 Bibles for our youth, as well as chimes and music for the Bell Choir.



Throughout the years our church has benefited from many, many other Memorials. The Carillon that you hear on Sunday mornings when coming into the church, as well during the week was a Memorial gift over 30 years ago. Choir robes, library books, hymnals and Bibles in the Sanctuary are among others.

At the present time, a Landscaping Project is in effect. This began in 2008 with the plantings in front of the Sanctuary. The plan has been laid out for the rest of the front area. We are hoping to complete the area in front of the Chapel in 2011. If you are interested in contributing to this — maybe even choosing a tree or bush as “your own”, please contact Barbara Condon at 865-0871.

A fund for stage mikes has also been established, which will greatly benefit all of us at the time of our Sunday morning dramas and Christmas shows.

If you have any questions or concerns for Memorials, please contact Jackie Hogestyn at 663-9232, Memorial Chairperson.

Sally Stewardship

Dear Sally Stewardship,

I was in church on October 31 when memorials for the year were dedicated. How do I go about making a memorial gift? I'd like to remember my mother with a special gift.

Interested

Dear Interested,

Our church has an active Memorial Fund committee and you may make a special gift at any time to remember someone close to you or anyone else whose memory you wish to honor. There are special envelopes available in the rack behind the Welcome Table that you can use, and the envelopes are available at memorial services held at our church. You may put your gift in those envelopes and mail them to the church or place them in the church offering when you come on Sunday.

You do not actually need the envelopes. Your note with a check or memo on a check to indicate that it is a memorial gift and the name of the person you wish to remember with the gift sent to the church or put in the offering will get to the Memorial Fund Committee. You will receive a thank you note from the committee and, if the information is available, the family of the person you are remembering will be notified that a gift has been made in their memory.

Currently, some givers are designating the Building Fund to receive their memorial gift. Others may wish to purchase hymnals or Bibles for use in the sanctuary or other items they see needed around the church. You don't need to designate the use of the gift. If sizeable donations of undesignated gifts are received for a person, family mem-

bers will be approached with a choice of possible uses to allow them to choose a use appropriate to the interests of their loved one. The committee determines the use of other undesignated gifts after gathering information on what may be needed. A record of all gifts is kept in the Memorial Book.

Your gift to the Memorial Fund allows us all to honor the memory of your loved one for years to come. It is also a thoughtful way to let families who have lost someone know that you are thinking of them. Memorial gifts serve the present and the future. Thank you for asking.

Remembering our loved ones,
Sally Stewardship

Serving in Our Worship Services in December & January

SCRIPTURE READERS

9:30 AM

11:00 AM

12/5 Member of
Confirmation Class

Nancy Young

12/12 Jan Rothfuss

Mary Sims

12/19 Gloria Montgomery

Annette Thompson

12/26 Bobbi Mohrmann

Member of
Confirmation Class

1/2 Naomi Moss

Nancy Young

1/9 Allison McHugh

Nancy Bader

1/16 Glenn VanPutte

Wilma Shaughnessy

1/23 Ray Poling

Nancy Brehm

1/30 Kevin Brown

Member of
Confirmation Class

ACOLYTES

9:30 AM

11:00 AM

12/5 Briana Kephart

Chase Tyler
Emma Byrnes
Zachary Farrell

12/12 Allison McHugh

Ryan Lindeman,
Michelle Maggio
Elijah Tyler

12/19 Briana Kephart

Marie Sims
Emma Bock
Matthew Thompson

12/26 Allison McHugh

Caleb Thompson
Renee Tibbles

1/2 Briana Kephart

Chase Tyler
Emma Byrnes
Zachary Farrell

1/9 Allison McHugh

Ryan Lindeman,
Michelle Maggio
Elijah Tyler

1/16 Briana Kephart

Marie Sims
Emma Bock
Matthew Thompson

1/23 Allison McHugh

Caleb Thompson
Renee Tibbles

1/30 Usher

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USHER SCHEDULE

9:30 AM

11:00 AM

12/5 Al & Myrt Holmes,
Dan & Jan Rothfuss

Tom & Zuni Simons
Nancy & Terry Young

12/12 Al & Myrt Holmes
Susan DeVincentis
Evelyn Welker

Nancy Bader
Walt Dunn
John & Karen Best

12/19 Al & Myrt Holmes
Candy Metzger
Evelyn Welker

Dean & Jackie Hogestyn
Gary & Denise Hogestyn

12/24 **5:00 PM**

Al & Myrt Holmes, John Cochran, Nancy Bader

7:30 PM

Walt Dunn, Ray LaFlair, Bobbie Eckert,
Bill Teasdale, Larry VanAllen

11:00 PM

Warren Barwald, Linda Uebelacker,
Tom & Zuni Simons

12/26 Al & Myrt Holmes
Linda Uebelacker
Eric McHugh

John Cochran,
Vince Acciaio, Ray LaFlair
Scott Wiley

1/2 Al & Myrt Holmes,
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Naomi Moss

John Cochran,
Vince Acciaio, Ray LaFlair
Scott Wiley

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Eric McHugh
Naomi Moss

Bill Teasdale
Nancy Bader
Colleen Tyler, Eric Bock

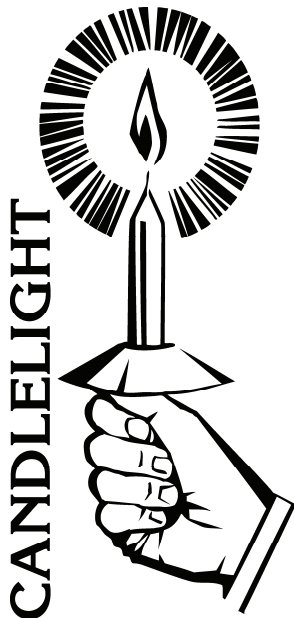


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Christmas Eve Services



5:00 PM

Children & Family Candlelight Service

7:30 PM

Traditional Candlelight Service
with the Choir

11:00 PM

Candlelight Communion Service

December 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
AA MEETINGS (FH) Daily (except Sun.) 7:30 AM Sunday 7:00 AM. Sunday 7:30 PM (3/4) Monday 7:00 PM Wednesday 5:30 PM Thursday (Women) 7:30 PM	ALANON Monday 7:00 PM (8) GAM-ANON Friday 7:00 PM (2) GAMBLER'S ANONYMOUS Friday 7:00 PM (3/4)		<i>1</i> 10:30 AM Exercise (Ide) 5:00 PM Exercise (Ide) 6:00 PM Northgate Neighbors Bd. (2) 7:00 PM Choir (S) 7:00 PM Sm. Group (Brown) (P)	<i>4</i> 1:00 PM Reading Circle (L) 7:00 PM Trustees (4) 7:30 PM Stewardship (L) 7:30 PM Sm. Group (Sisson) (P)	<i>3</i> 6:30 PM Sm. Group (Parents) (P) 7:00 PM FFYG (Ide)	<i>4</i> 11:00 AM Bell Choir (S) 11:00 AM Grief Share (P)
<i>5</i> 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship 9:30 AM Adult Sunday School (P) 9:45 AM Sunday School 10:45 AM High School Sunday School (2) 11:00 AM Traditional Worship 11:15 AM Children's Workshop (4) 12:00 PM Intergenerational Advent Event starting with a Covered Dish Lunch (Ide) 6:00 PM FFYG (FH, Ide) 6:00 PM Scouts—God & Me Class (8) 6:30 PM Sm. Group (O'Connor) (P)	<i>6</i> 4:00 – 9:00 PM Applebee's 7:00 PM ACWT (S)	<i>7</i> 9:00 AM—2:00 PM Library Work Time (L) 12:00 PM Men's Lunch at Ezzy's 1:00 PM Sm. Group (Coburn) (P) 6:15 UMW (Ide) 6:30 PM Transitions Lifestyle (2)	<i>8</i> 10:30 AM Exercise (Ide) 5:00 PM Exercise (Ide) 7:00 PM Boy Scouts (FH) 7:00 PM Choir (S) 7:00 PM Sm. Group (Brown) (P)	<i>11</i> 7:30 PM Finance (4) 7:30 PM Sm. Group (Sisson) (P)	<i>10</i> 6:30 PM Sm. Group (Parents) (P) 7:00 PM FFYG (Ide)	<i>11</i> 11:00 AM Bell Choir (S) 11:00 AM "Blue Christmas" Service (C) 12:00—2:00 PM Angel Food Ordering (G) 6:00—8:00 PM Game Night (Ide)
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<i>26</i> 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School Only Grades 1-4 11:00 AM Traditional Worship 11:15 AM Children's Workshop	<i>27</i> 7:00 PM ACWT (S)	<i>28</i> 9:00 AM—2:00 PM Library Work Time (L) 9:45 AM Sm. Group (Caupp) (P) 1:00 PM Sm. Group (Coburn) (P) 6:30 PM Transitions Lifestyle (2) 7:00 PM Sm. Group (O'Connor) (P)	<i>29</i> 10:30 AM Exercise (Ide) 5:00 PM Exercise (Ide) 7:00 PM Choir (S) 7:00 PM Sm. Group (Brown) (P)	<i>30</i> 7:30 PM Sm. Group (Sisson) (P)	<i>31</i>	

January 2011

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