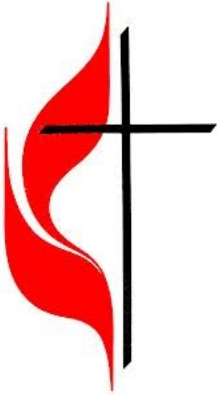


# Aldersgate Hinge

November 2019



*From the Pastor*

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## Season of Thanks-Giving

November is the month of Thanks-Giving. Yes, it is already the eleventh month of the year. You might have run and run looking forward and not looking back. Now is the time to pause and look back before you enter the busy time of the holiday season.

I encourage you to take the time to count the blessings that God has poured upon you and your family. It is so easy to focus on hard times. But turn around and try to find blessings that you have received from God. I believe you will find enough reasons to give thanks to God.

Therefore, let us be thankful to God. Let us give thanks to God from the bottom of your heart in the season of Thanks-Giving.

As we count the blessings we have received, I also invite you take the time to count the blessings you have received through Aldersgate Church from God. Weekly worship service enriches our lives with God's grace. Fellowship nurtures us with God's love. Our ministry transforms and resurrects the world as well as our lives.

Let us give thanks to God for all the wonderful works God has done in and through us. I am also thankful to you for your support for and commitment to the ministry and mission of Aldersgate Church.

November is the month of Stewardship and Commitment for 2020. You know the parable of the talents (Matthew 24:14-30). The master praised the servants who gave all they had and blessed them with much more.

Before you make commitment for 2020, I encourage you to count all the blessings God has poured upon you and respond to God with thanksgiving and give back to God generously. God will bless us and Aldersgate Church and its ministry.

It's an exciting time for the Aldersgate Church. There are many opportunities for us to reach out to the people in our communities. Aldersgate Church has many exciting dreams for providing excellent ministries to enrich the life of Aldersgate congregation. Let us join together in supporting and growing Aldersgate Church in response to God's call to the future that God has already planned for us.

Blessings,

*Pastor Sung Ho*

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# Our Ministry of Concern

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## Prayer Concerns

People are added and removed from our ongoing prayer list upon request. Please call the church office to ADD, REINSTATE, or REMOVE names.

**Aldersgate people with ongoing health concerns:** Kathy Bernardi, Bernice Bird, Paul Brown, Ellie Cook, Frances Crabtree, Joyce DeBell, Nathan Dunn, Ron Durbin, Dick Edgett, Patti & Shannon Forbes, Joyce Farrokh, Carolyn Gilson, Helen Griswold, Becky Hess, Tim Kephart, Richard Keenan, Ray LaFlair, Phyllis Little, Ruth Loomis, Mas Okita, Dorothy Pearson, Joe Piper, Cindy Purzycki, Roger Ridley, Laurie Ruell, Larry Scrivens, Jane Shukitis, Betty Smith, David Stanley, Michael Thompson, Doug Unell, Louie VanKouwenberg, Hal Wagner, Terry Young, Zeh family

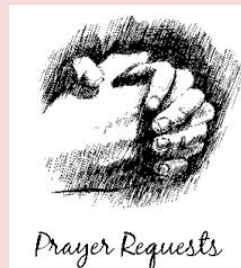
### Friends & Relatives of AUMC People with Health

**Concerns:** Miguel Ahumaha (Juan Ruiz), Amy & Halo (Laura Kimmel), John Adamski (Betty Judd), Quinn Aldridge (Wendy & Mike Dunn), Emma (Nancy Bailey), Carol Price Barden (Wendy & Mike Dunn), Eleanor Barry (Natasha Cartens), Thomas (Kathy Bernardi), Christine and Claudia (Kathy Bernardi), Tony Blanco (Karen Best), Mom (Jerebrel Bowens), Bill (Jane Shukitis), Gretchen (Nancy Brehm), Bonnie Bush (Bobbi Mohrmann), Mother (Mike Capalini), Amy Carey (Sabrina McLeod & Gretta Schaefer), Casey (Kathy Peck), Jen Crandall and Shaylee, Family of Donna Colangelo (Mary Simms), Lou DeVelder, Andrew (Lisa Deutsch), Sonny, Denise, Jen, James, Emily & Noah, Bill (Gloria & Rick Baker), Norma (Mark DeVincentis), Mom (Carol DeCann), Diane Durbin (Ron Durbin), Eileen (Schudels), Ethan (Bobbie Eckert), Cathy (Roger Forbes), Joanne, Lynn & Zarah (Joyce Farrokh), Joshua Grosso (Nancy Brehm), Eileen Harloff (Wendy Dunn), Richard Hartman (Nan Keller), Bruce (Linda Hayward), Katie (Doug Hess), Helen & Jake (Doug Hess), Jessie (Adam Pfund), daughter (Nancy Jones), Beth, Jordan & baby (Deb Hamel), Helen & Bob (Nancy Jones), Kathy Kalwicki (Melody Zielinski), Kevin, Lily (Gloria & Rick Baker), Joe Klein, Catherine Klinkbeil (John & Debbie Simm), Motter Family, Puleo Family, Lois, Mary & Jim Kofron (Sue Galligan & Karen Sladden), Jennifer Larsen, Liz, Joe Piper (Gretta Schaefer & Sabrina McLeod), Martell family, Frank Gallagher (Kimberly Lindenau), Steve (Mary Ann Lyons), Trina, Fonda (Deborah Whitt), Matt & Judy (Candy Metzger), Carley McCarthy (The VanKouwenbergs), Phillip Mead (Bobbi Mohrmann), Bill Meagher (Tammy Gilzow-Kephart), Stacey Miller (Wendy & Mike Dunn), Milton

## E-Mail Prayer Chain

PLEASE help us keep the weekly printed church bulletin prayer concerns list UPDATED.

Call the Church Office (663-3665) if you have a prayer request during the week.



(Sharon Bartter), Nancy (Lisa Deutsch), Nicole Mohrmann (Rich & Bobbi Mohrmann), Kelly Naylor (Debbie & John Simm), Norah (Jan Rothfuss), Mike O'Shea (Jim Cobia), Barb Patton (Schudel's), Patty (Sue Galligan), Randy Patzwald (Debbie & John Simm), Laurie Peacock (Sue Spicer), Cooper Petrone (Sabrina McLeod), Gerry Phillips (Bette Edgett), Phoebe (Deborah Whitt), Pete (Shawna Poling), Dave (Frank Pombert), David (Cindy Purzycki), Ray and Cententa family (Carin Ganter) Carol, Michael (Laurie Ruell), Daughter (The Riddleys), Will Rickman (Roger Ridley), Butch Riemer (Karen Rice), Carol Ritter (Sue Zorn), Polly Roberts (Bette Edgett), Rhonda's husband (Mary Sims), Kim (Dave Rogenmoser), Michael, Christian Ruell (Laurie Ruell), Kathy & Scott (Sue Rozinski), Paula (Tim Rolfe), Elora (Mike & Deb Russo), Bob (Deb Russo), Brittaney Sauers (Gloria Baker), Tyson & Warfield families, Martha Simmons (Deborah Whitt), Monica & Brook (Mary Sims), Ricki & Jim Schaefer (Bobbi Mohrmann), Judy Smith (Carla Starr), Lee Star (John Cook), Adam (Anna Simm), Wally (Kathy Start), Abby (Louretta Teasdale), Marcie (Laurie VanAllen), Marilyn Thomas (Deborah Whitt), Sue VanderTang (Nancy Jones), Lonnie (Deborah Whitt), Tom (Alma Harmer), Kathy (Gloria Baker), Ted & Barb Way (Wendy & Mike Dunn), Wally (Kathy Start), Herb, Roger (Colleen Tyler), Evan Weaver (Mitch), Denny Wright (The DeVincentis), Vickie (Doug Unell), Shirley Webber (Annette Thompson), Dad (Kaori Winter), Greyson Wise (Tammy Gilzow-Kephart), Niece (Steve Zeh), Alicia (Sue Zorn)

**Nursing Homes/Living Centers:** Nona Antczak – Aaron Manor; Barb Condon – Cherry Ridge; Jane Coonan – Mill Landing; Francis Crabtree - Episcopal Home; Al Holmes – Latta Road Nursing Home; Pat Holmes – Legacy Cranberry Landing; Len Mack – Hurlbut Nursing Home; Donna Rice – Mill Landing; Elaine Sampson – Hilton East; Martha Thomson – Hamilton Manor

**Christian Sympathy** to Tim Rolfe and family – mother Rosetta Knapp passed away early October.

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## Church Events & Opportunities

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### Annual Auction Time is Here!

**When:** Friday, November 15

**Where:** AUMC Ide Center

**Time:** 6:00 Spaghetti dinner  
6:30 Auction



**Cost:** Auction is free, \$5.00 per person for the spaghetti dinner (\$15 maximum per family)

Come join the fun as we auction off a wide variety of handmade items, homemade goodies, donated certificates to area businesses, donated services and much more. It's a great opportunity to get that Christmas gift for someone on your list. Proceeds will be split this year between UMC Ministry Shares (our support of the UMC wider ministries) and the AUMC Building Fund to go toward reducing the principle of our mortgage.

If you have something that is like new and in good condition, have a service to donate, or know an area business that you could solicit a donation from, donation forms are available in the weekly bulletins or email Sue Zorn. We are also looking for some helpers. If you are interested in helping to set up, clean up, work on the Silent Auction or as a Vanna or Runner, please sign up on the Opportunity board – or contact Sue Zorn (szorn129@rochester.rr.com).

So, mark your calendar today! Bring your cash, checks or credit cards and be prepared for good food, good fellowship and bidding wars among friends.

### Black Friday Crafting Day, November 29

Join us from 9am-9pm to work on your favorite projects. You'll get your own table, breakfast and lunch, plus a make and take project. Chip in for pizza or share leftovers for dinner. The cost is \$30. For more information or to register, contact Karen Sladden (455-2920 or karensladden@hotmail.com) or Susan Galligan (317-3138 or sgallig1@rochester.rr.com). Forms are available on the bulletin board in the gathering space, or register online at: [www.aumcgreece.org/craftws](http://www.aumcgreece.org/craftws)

### Our Next Eat-Out Fundraiser Coming Soon

Help raise money for our operating budget by dining out with friends and family at **Panera Bread** on Ridge Road later this month. Look for details in the weekly bulletins. Hope to see you there!



### Wanted – Advent Devotion Writers!

*For this holiday season, when we prepare our hearts to celebrate the advent of our Lord in the flesh and look ahead to His return, we would like to invite you—individuals, families, youth, small groups, etc.—to submit a short, Spirit-filled holiday Christmas devotion.*

We are hoping for 25 devotions (one for each day of Advent) that are easy to read and understand, and appeal to a broad age span and people's Christian walk. Our goal is to create our very own AUMC Advent Devotional book to provide a shared experience for our congregation—to encourage one another to take time between Sundays to remember the meaning of Christ's birth.

Submissions are due Sunday, November 3 (sent electronically, if possible), preferably 300 words or less. For more information, please contact Rhonda Simonelli or Brian Winter. We look forward to reading your Christmas story!

#### **Some helpful tips for writing:**

1. Choose a theme or topic. For example, Hope, Joy, Love, Peace represented by the Advent candles; themes/individuals from the Christmas narrative; the works Christ came to accomplish; personal experiences where God was at work; gifts for Christ (our hearts, souls, minds, and strength); etc.!
2. Advent devotionals have only one truly essential element: Scripture. Most also include written meditations, reflections, or short stories. You can also incorporate a special prayer; favorite songs, hymns, and carols; original illustrations as well as activities and/or games.
3. *Don't forget to title your Advent devotion!*

### Parish Visitations

Call the church when someone enters the hospital or is discharged or if you, or someone you know, desire a pastoral call.

## Spiritual Pilgrimage to Korea - Oct. 2-10

Pastor Sung Ho Lee led a group of 28 people from three Churches, Manlius UMC, Oswego First UMC and Aldersgate UMC for a Spiritual Pilgrimage to Korea. Those who joined this group from Aldersgate Church were Pastor Hector Rivera, Natalia, Sue Zorn, Kathy Peck, Bobbie Eckert, Bob Thayer, Bobbi Mohrmann, Rich Mohrmann, Jung Lee, and Pastor Sung Ho Lee.

We learned about the past and the present of Korea: How Korea has grown to be one of the economic powers in the world after the Korean War. We also learned and witnessed the growth and vitality of the church in Korea.

We are planning to have a gathering to present and share our experiences. We will let you know when it is finalized. However, we would share some highlights with you.

**Radical Hospitality** — We have never experienced such hospitality that Bupyeong Church showed to us. Rev. Eunpa Hong, Senior Pastor, said, "American missionaries planted the seed of Good News in the soil of Korea. We are so grateful for that. They gave us freely so we give back freely."

**Early Morning Prayer Service** — Early morning prayer service was amazing. Every morning at 5am, 500 people come to church to pray: hymn singing and the message for 30 minutes and individual free prayer time follows. Most people pray aloud for 20-30 minutes. Pastor Hong said prayer is the foundation of faith life and the source of power that sustains life.

**Missionaries Cemetery** — A visit to Missionaries Cemetery was a very powerful experience. The stories of the missionaries — their responses to God's call for missionary work to an unknown country, their commitment to God's mission and their love for Korea and the people of Korea were very touching and moving. They loved the people of Korea so much that they wanted to die and be buried in the land they loved. As we witnessed the fruit that the seeds they had sowed produced, we strongly felt the presence of our God.

We give thanks to God for this wonderful opportunity of spiritual pilgrimage to Korea. - Sung Ho



## United Methodist Women



### Reading Circle

We will be meeting at 1:30 PM on November 7th in the Church Library. Contact Carol Cobia if you have any questions.

### Sew n' Sew's

Come join us on Monday, November 11th, at 1:00 PM downstairs in Room 1 (across from Fellowship Hall). Bring a project to work on or help us with a church project. We will also discuss what projects we should make for the Craft & Collectibles booth next year.

### UMW General Meeting

On Thursday, November 14th, Kitty Cavaliere from Mission Share will tell us all about their **Christmas HOPE program**. Names of families are provided to us from Mission Share for our White Gifts Program. We meet at 6:15 PM for dinner first, then we will enjoy the program. The cost is only \$5.00.

### Morning Circle

On Tuesday, November 19th, **Kathy Peck and Bobbie Eckert** will present the program - *Our Korean Mission Trip*. We meet at 11:00 AM in the Parlor. Bring your lunch. Beverage and dessert are provided.



### Sunday Coffee Time Snacks Needed!

Please consider donating a snack of some kind so our Sunday morning coffee times offer enough food for everyone attending the service. Suggestions include baked goods, fruit, crackers, cheese or other snack items. See Betty Judd to volunteer or if you have any questions.





### Children's Christmas Artwork

Wanted for Advent Devotional and Christmas Eve Bulletin for Family service. Small Nativity pictures (i.e., Manger scene, baby Jesus, animals, angels) and Christmas trees from children would be wonderful to include. Please see Rhonda Simonelli or Brian Winter for more information. We need these by the first week of November.



### Special Service to Start Advent

We are planning a special worship service **"HANGING OF THE GREENS"** on December 1 at both worship services. This is also the first Sunday of Advent. Scripts will be given out on Sunday, November 3 in Sunday school classes. We are looking for children and youth to lead the service who are interested in reading lines and singing. We hope most children will want to participate!

### Coffee Fundraiser

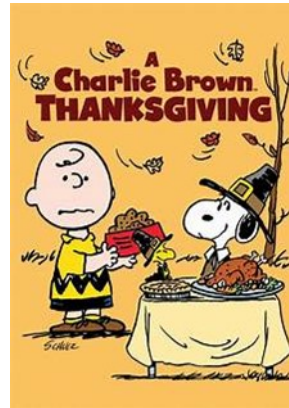
On Sunday November 17, we will be selling **Starbucks Fall Blend** Coffee and Lattes (Vanilla, Carmel, and Pumpkin Spice) after each worship service. Proceeds will go towards our upcoming Christian Education Christmas events.



### Calling All Christmas Pageant Actors!

Christmas is coming quickly which means we are starting to prepare for our children's Christmas Eve pageant. We will be sending out scripts soon. If you have a child who would like to be part of this year's pageant, please email Rhonda Simonelli at [rsimonelli@aumcgreece.org](mailto:rsimonelli@aumcgreece.org) or Brian Winter at [bwinter@aumcgreece.org](mailto:bwinter@aumcgreece.org).

## Children's Ministry



### Blessed are the Thankful in Heart

A special children's event will be held at Church on Sunday, Nov. 24 during Sunday school at both Worship services, featuring the movie "Charlie Brown Thanksgiving," special take-home craft and friendly feast.

### Special Thanks!

A *special thank you* to those people who attended and helped out at this year's Fall Festival. The theme was **Jesus Brings S'more Joy** and we had a wonderful time eating S'mores, popcorn and pizza, storytelling in the dark, crafting, bouncing around and singing with friends and family. What a joyful evening!



# Youth activities



4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade  
**YOUTH**  
CONNECTIONS

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays - 6:30pm to 8:30pm

## Fall Festival and Looking Ahead

A big thank you to all the youth who helped make this year's Fall Festival a success—from S'more Slime to helping out with food and popcorn to photos and crafts and more. May God bless all of you who sacrificed your time and energy, and put Him and the service of your faith first!

We had a little over 80 people who attended, and it was a night of good fellowship for the adults and fun activities for the kids. The night closed with some impromptu and rather epic lightsaber duels among some of the youth. Unfortunately my night ended in defeat at the hands of Cyril.

On September 27 we talked as a group about what we wanted to plan moving forward. We were impressed by all the ideas everyone contributed during our brainstorming session and really looking forward to things to come!



**REVERB**  
A Word of Life Event

## Overnight Event

November 8th-9th

5:30 pm Nov. 8

thru 5:30 am Nov. 9

An all-night event packed with a pro sports game, life-changing message, intense games, eye-popping prizes, great food, and until early in the morning! Bring a friend!

## Thank You!

Thank you to all who have supported the youth group's bottle and can drive! Last month we collected \$45. Please keep them coming!



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Greece Youth Group



## Four Principles of Biblical Stewardship Should be Held in our Hearts and Minds

1. **The principle of ownership.** *"The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it." (Psa. 24)*  
*"Remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth." (Deut. 8:18)*
2. **The principle of responsibility.** ". . . The Bible constantly asks, What about your responsibilities? Owners have rights; stewards have responsibilities. (Bill Peel)
3. **The principle of accountability.** "Like the servants in the Parable of the Talents, we will be called to give an account of how we have administered everything we have been given, including our time, money, abilities, information, wisdom, relationships, and authority." (Bill Peel)
4. **The principle of reward.** "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving." (Col. 3: 23-4)



2020 Budget Income:		
\$	210,159	Pledged Offerings at 2019 levels
\$	62,198	Plate/Gifts
\$	2,600	Fundraisers
\$	10,327	Room Rental
\$	<u>62,454</u>	Increased giving need for 2020
\$	348,138	TOTAL
2020 Budget Expenses:		
\$	208,392	Salaries and benefits
\$	98,670	Admin and Maintenance
\$	<u>41,076</u>	Ministry Shares to UMC
\$	348,138	TOTAL
SPENDING in MINISTRY AREAS:		
\$	107,070	Worship Ministry
\$	80,422	Outreach Ministry
\$	77,608	Christian Education Ministry
\$	85,530	Church Community Life Ministry

*"Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!" (Matt 25:21)*

*"Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else's property, who will give you property of your own?" (Luke 16:12-14)*

We believe that Christians living in the culture today, a culture which is broken and full of need, model the spirit of Jesus by living out this multi-faceted view of true stewardship. Stewardship, in this sense, is a vocation where "our deep gladness meets the world's deep need" (Buechner). Through planning the work we do with our resources — physical, spiritual, emotional — we endeavor to meet the needs of our church, community, and world. — Bill Peel

**Worship Ministry** (Loving God. *"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind."* Matt 22:37)

The worship experience continually shapes our lives through hearing God's story and sharing our own stories.

The liturgical arts and music enhance our expression of God's grace.

**\$107,070 (31%):** This includes a percentage of our pastors' compensation, administrative and facilities budgets, and compensation for our Music Director, Organist, and Contemporary Worship Team Leader.

### Weekly Worship services

- Choir direction and accompanist
- Organ and other music during worship services
- Contemporary worship leadership



**Outreach Ministry** (Serving Others. *"You were called to freedom, brothers and sisters...serve each other through love."* Galatians 5:13)

Young people, men, women — everyone can serve in some way within our outreach ministries. The circles of influence of our outreach include local efforts that not only serve area needs but also sustain our other larger global missions. God has called us to take up the cross and address the great needs in Uganda. We support the ministry and mission of The United Methodist Church by giving the apportioned ministry share to The United Methodist Church. This we do in addition to other thriving initiatives — Community Dinner, Mission trips, English Village reading program, White Gifts to name a few.

**\$ 80,422 (23%):** This includes a percentage of our pastors' compensation, administrative and facilities budgets, Ministry Shares (Apportionment) to UMC, a portion of the Communication budget.

- Supporting ministries across the country and around the world
- Community Dinner
- AA meetings
- Girl Scouts
- Mission Share
- RAIHN
- White Gifts
- Health Kits and School supplies
- Church Website & Facebook page
- Craft Workshops
- Mission trips
- African Student Scholarships
- Uganda water and land projects
- English Village reading program
- Faith sharing and Evangelism



**Christian Education Ministry** (Changing Lives. "So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!" 2 Corinthians 5:17)

Our ministry is blessed by offering weekly Bible studies and opportunities of formation and growth of faith for children, teens and adults.

**\$ 77,608 (22%):** This includes a percentage of our pastors' compensation, administrative and facilities budgets, Youth Director and Christian Ed Directors salaries, and Youth and Christian Ed budgets.

- Christian Education
- Children's Ministry
- Youth Group Ministry
- Confirmation
- Vacation Bible School
- Adult Sunday School
- New Membership classes
- Baptisms



**Church Community Life Ministry** ("Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful." 1 Corinthians 4:2)

We intentionally work to learn and share the stories of our members, deepening the community and relationships we cherish. Our church family includes people of

diverse backgrounds, beliefs, understandings, attitudes and geography. Everyone is welcome to this church home.

**\$ 83,530 (24%):** This includes a percentage of our pastors' compensation, administrative and facilities budgets, Stewardship budget, Communications budgets,

- Small Groups
- Stewardship
- Church Council
- Church Website & Facebook page
- Video in main gathering space
- Weddings
- Funerals
- Rummage Sale
- Visitation and Caring Ministry

	2020 GOAL	2019 Annualized estimate	2018 Actual
Estimate of Pledges	\$268,138	\$210,159	\$ 228,925
Other Giving	\$ 80,000	\$ 75,125	\$ 69,197
Total	\$348,138	\$ 285,284	\$ 298,122

"I want you to have all the time you need to make this offering in your own way...God loves it when the giver delights in the giving" From 2 Corinthians 9, The Message.

A budget is first and foremost a faith statement – it reflects our beliefs, values, and priorities. We share these numbers to understand what kind of commitment it takes to realize our hopes and dreams for ministry.

Each one of us can give at different levels and in a variety of ways. Giving is a subversive act – striking a balance between your personal needs and sharing your gifts with the world. You might ask yourself – does my giving reflect my values? Look at the total you give to the church and other organizations and compare it to other expenditures in your life.

**(Note: our Building Fund is separate from our Annual Budget. All gifts to the Building Fund are used to cover the current monthly mortgage. This is a commitment for approximately another 9 years.)**

Ultimately, we give not because we must, but because we want to express gratitude for the abundance in our lives. When we recognize and acknowledge our abundance, we are freed from the narrative of scarcity that our culture perpetuates. Consider your giving a counter-cultural act!



# Birthdays & Anniversaries

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Amanda Farrell	November 4
Larry VanAllen	November 4
John Simm	November 7
Sandi Norris	November 8
Joclynn Fox	November 9
Carolyn Gilson	November 9
Tommy Maggio	November 9
John Best	November 16
Natalie Bock	November 16
Bill Burdick	November 18
Betty Hild	November 18
Suzanne Spicer	November 18
John Cook	November 18
Richard Caupp	November 19
Ann Christie	November 20
Andrea Peeck	November 20
Jan Winter	November 21
Tamara Gilzow-Kephart	November 24
Rachel Carstens	November 25
Eric Rex	November 25
Laura Wagner	November 30
Diane Haschmann	November 30

## NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Kurt & Robin Lindeman	November 21
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## The Trustees' Corner

Exciting news!! The sanctuary will be receiving a new (to us) piano! It takes quite an effort to move a piano so we appreciate all the hands that help make it happen!

### Thank You!

Thank you so much to so many of our Church members who chip in to keep our place of fellowship and worship neat and clean. Some things that have taken place since last month:



- painting and hanging curtains
- replacing shingles and moving old paint
- sorting, organizing and throwing out
- replacing lights and ballasts
- raking and weeding

**Church Organizing** — Thank you to Gretta Schaefer, Brian Winter, Bud and Carol Kress, Lorrie Durbin and Sabrina McLeod for cleaning out the makeshift storage area in the FH!

**Fall Clean-up Day on October 19** — Thank you to Sue Zorn, Sue Razinski, Mark DeVincentis, and Sabrina McLeod for taking time out of the beautiful day and sharing their talents. Leaves were raked, lights repaired and replaced, additional painting was done. It takes a village (or Church Community) to take care of our place of worship. Thank you to Jim Bailey, who was on kitchen duty! Also, thank you to Adam Pfund for painting the old church office/storage area.

### Additional Help Needed!

The Trustees have a running list of tasks and projects that range from replacing outlet covers to putting tar on our roof. There's opportunity to help do what you like when you are available. Or join us one Tuesday night a month to tackle a room. November 19th will be the education store room!

We appreciate each of you and the talents you share with our church family.

The Trustees:

Bob Thayer, Adam Pfund, Gretta Schaefer, Colleen Tyler, Cassandra Blanchett, Mike Dunn, Jeff Rust, Miguel Lopez, Faziri Ndahiro

# November 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>ALANON</b> Monday 7:00 PM (8) <b>GAM-ANON</b> Friday 7:00 PM (2) <b>GAMBLER'S ANONYMOUS</b> Friday 7:00 PM. (3/4) Saturday 9:00 AM (2)	<b>AA MEETINGS (FH)</b> Daily 7:30 AM (FH) Sunday 7:30 PM (FH) Monday 7:30 PM Wednesday 5:30 PM Thursday (Women) 7:30 PM	<b>5</b> 6am-9pm Voting General Election (Ide, K) 1:30 p.m. Small Group (Coburn) (2) 6:30 p.m. Soccer Kron (Ide) 6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts (3,4) 6:45 pm Small Group (Winter) (P)	<b>6</b> 12:00 p.m. Men's Lunch at Ezzy's 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:00 p.m. Hispanic membership class (2) 7:00 p.m. Hispanic Kids (7)	<b>7</b> 1:30 p.m. Reading Circle (L) 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts (2) 7:00 p.m. Stewardship (L)	<b>1</b> 7:00 p.m. Hispanic Sm Grp (Rivera)(8) 7:00 p.m. Sr. High Youth (YR)	<b>2</b> 11:00 a.m. Grief Share (P)
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<b>17</b> 8:00-8:30AM Prayer Meeting (P) 8:30 AM ACWT (S) 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship (S) 9:45 AM Children's Sunday School (3/4, 7) 11:00 AM Traditional Worship (S) 11:00 AM Children's Sunday School (3, 7) 11:00 AM Adult Sunday School (P) 2:00 PM African Worship (S) 3:00 PM Hispanic Worship (C) 3:15 PM Hispanic Worship Kids (3/4) 4:00 PM Hispanic Thanksgiving Dinner (Ide, K) 6:30 PM Sm Group (Zorn) (P)	<b>18</b> 5:00 p.m. Drama Class (2) 6:30 p.m. Soccer Kron (Ide) 6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts (3,4) 6:45 pm Small Group (Winter) (P)	<b>19</b> 11:00 a.m. Morning Circle (P) 1:30 p.m. Small Group (Coburn) (2) 5:30 p.m. Organizing storage in education areas	<b>20</b> 12:00 pm Men's Lunch at Ezzy's 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:00 p.m. Hispanic membership class (2) 7:00 p.m. Hispanic Kids (7)	<b>21</b> 9:00 a.m. Hinge Folding (Ide, K) 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts (2) 7:00 p.m. Ch. Council (3/4)	<b>22</b> 7:00 p.m. Hispanic Sm Grp (Rivera)(8) 7:00 p.m. Youth Connection (YR) 7:00 p.m. Sr. High Youth (YR)	<b>23</b> 11:00 a.m. Grief Share (P)
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## *Serving in Worship This Month*

### **AV Schedule**

	9:30 AM	11:00 AM
11/3	Mark DeVincentis Mary Sims	
11/10	Ted Carstens Rich Mohrmann	
11/17	Mary Sims Ron Durbin	
11/24	Rich Mohrmann Ron Durbin	

### **Scripture Readers**

	9:30 AM	11:00 AM
11/3	Rick Baker	Nancy Young
11/10	Doug Hess	Bobbie Eckert
11/17	Sharon Bartter	Jim Jones
11/24	Lisa Deutsch	Carin Gantner

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***December Hinge***  
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leave too soon! In the case of God's Shelter, not just a relationship with God, but with a local church, don't leave AT ALL! They will continue to prepare and help you through other storms, and you can, in turn, help others as well!

Thanksgiving will soon be upon us; the day set aside for Praising God. Some of us have had a year where that's been hard to do. But we can learn to Praise Him through any storms if we Prepare in Advance, Get to our Shelter and, once we're there DON'T LEAVE!!

***Holiday Blessings;***  
***Sharon Bartter***



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## Praising in the Storms

The Apostle Paul said in **Phil. 4:4-8**: ***“Rejoice in the Lord ALWAYS and again I say Rejoice.”*** The question becomes, though, HOW?! I have had seven unexpected deaths of family/close friends, along with other painful events in the past 3 years and I KNOW that during the worst moments of those events, Praising can be the furthest thing from your mind. But you CAN do it and it does help you get through the painful times.

There are three things you can do to help Praise your way through, and get through, the storms that come up in your life. **FIRST**: Be Prepared! That may seem impossible since these losses are often like those in my life, unexpected. But just like keeping boxes of canned food and water set aside in a tornado/hurricane kit, you can “stock up” on hymn lyrics and Scripture verses that keep you encouraged and get you through the worst. By reading or singing them enough, many will stay in your head and heart, or you can write some out and keep them in a jar or box to turn to when you need them most. **SECOND**: Know where your “shelter” is. When a storm is predicted, the local county where it is expected will open up shel-

ters. Well: **Matthew 5:45** says that: ***“Rain will fall on the just and the unjust.”*** That’s all the prediction needed! We may not know exactly when, but we know storms will come! We need a **CONSTANT** shelter. And, gratefully, we **HAVE** one. **Proverbs 18:10** says: ***“The Name of the Lord is a Strong Tower. The Righteous run into it and they are Saved.”*** Having not just those verses but a real relationship with the Lord Jesus as your Savior, means that you will always have that shelter, that Strong Tower around you. And the other thing about a shelter during a storm is **PEOPLE**! There are people who’ve had a similar loss and others who are there to comfort and assist you! The equivalent, with God’s Shelter is your local church congregation. Sadly, though, there are those people who come to church during the worst of storms; a loved one is dying or they’ve lost their job, etc. They “stay” as part of our congregations until after the funeral, or until they’ve found a new job, then they’re gone! That’s the **THIRD** part of Praising your way through, and making it through, any storm. Once you’re in the Shelter, don’t

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