

The Parish Visitor

February 2020



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Dear friends,

By now most of us are eagerly anticipating the coming of Spring. Winter isn't fun anymore. The snow isn't as pretty as it was during the holidays. For us, March 20, the official first day of Spring, cannot get here soon enough. But what if I told you that for the church, Spring comes this year on February 26, Ash Wednesday? Ash Wednesday is, of course, the first day in the season of Lent. The word Lent means Spring.

Since almost the very beginning of the Church, Christians have sought to commemorate Christ's forty day period of temptation and self-examination that came just before he began his earthly ministry. We do this by examining our own hearts and seeking to live more faithful lives. For forty days, excluding Sundays, we will do this together beginning on Ash Wednesday and continuing through the day before Easter Sunday. The Ash Wednesday service will be on February 26 at 6:30 PM. We will, indeed, celebrate the coming of Spring and the promise of new life in Christ.

Friends, may your walk with Christ during the season of Lent strengthen your faith and bring you great joy.

Peace,
Dan

FAT TUESDAY DINNER/ ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

On **Wednesday, February 26th at 5:15 PM**, we will have a special Wednesday Night Fellowship dinner of pancakes to commemorate Fat Tuesday (technically the day before!)-the day to empty your pantry of fatty food in anticipation of Ash Wednesday and the season of Lent. **It will be followed at 6:30PM** by a special Ash Wednesday worship service to commemorate the beginning of Lent. We will look at the reason for the season and more specifically the significance of the ashes. Communion will be served.



SPECIAL DATES:

- Feb 1 Prayer Vigil 7-10PM
- Feb 2 Commitment Sunday
- Feb 2 Communion & Food Pantry Sunday
- Feb 6 Caring Hearts Food Prep 9AM
- Feb 7 Candy Making for Gala 9-11AM
- Feb 8- Fur-Ever Friends Chili Supper Fundraiser 4PM
- Feb 10 Candy Making for Gala 9-11AM
- Feb 11 Loving Hands Food Prep 1:30PM
- Feb 13 Cooking/set-up for Valentine Gala 9AM
- Feb 14 Set-up for Valentine Gala 9AM
- Feb 14 Valentine Gala 5PM
- Feb 16 CIA Luncheon 11:30AM
- Feb 16 Mission Meeting 5:15PM
- Feb 16 Trustees Meeting 6PM
- Feb 16 Finance Meeting 6:45PM
- Feb 16 Council Meeting 7:30PM
- Feb 17 Office Closed for President's Day
- Feb 17 United Methodist Men Meeting 6PM
- Feb 19 Preschool Screening 9AM-2PM
- Feb 20 Parish Visitor Deadline 8AM
- Feb 20 Caring Hearts Food Prep 1PM
- Feb 20 Preschool Screening 2-7PM
- Feb 24 Relay for Life Meeting 6:30PM
- Feb 24 Endowment Meeting 6:30PM
- Feb 25 Loving Hands Food Prep 6:30PM
- February 26 Ash Wednesday Service 6:30PM
- Feb 27 Women's Bible Study 6PM

THE NURSERY

Have you ever wondered why churches need good, safe, well-staffed nursery programs? Well, wonder no more! The reason churches need strong nursery programs is that, for folks with young children, the nursery is often THE most important part of the church. If there is a good nursery, they can comfortably leave their kids in capable hands and attend a worship service. If, however, they find a nursery that is poorly or under-staffed with folks who seem unfriendly and stressed, they A. won't leave their kids, and B. won't come back! Your church truly believes that children are NOT simply the future of the church- they are very much an active, important part of its present!



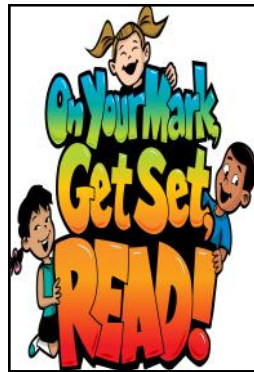
CONNECTION COINS FOR FEBRUARY

The Connection Coins (the “thinly-veiled Pringles cans”!) are doing great things in the life of the Aledo UMC! On the 2nd Sunday of each month, during the Children’s Moment, the ushers pass around those cans. You are encouraged to drop your change in- although we WILL accept “folding money”! And that change goes toward helping fund a ministry within the church.

This month (February 9th), the Connection Coin offering will go toward another important ministry. The Loving Hands Sandwich + Ministry touches so many in our congregation and community. In Partnership with the Mercer County Health Department’s Mental Health Initiative, we create meals for those in great need. So, 100% of the money that is collected in the cans on the 9th of February will be used to help fund this valuable Ministry. What a GREAT way to help connect people to Jesus Christ. So, remember to bring your change on Sunday, February 9th.

**KIDS, HAVE YOU SEEN
TYSON’S TALES,
OUR CHILDREN’S
LIBRARY IN THE
EDUCATION WING?**

**STEP INTO THE
WORLD
OF READING!**



Thank You!

Thank you to the United Methodist Men for your concern and prayers.

Verla Thompson

THANK YOU

The Churches of Mercer County Food Pantry would like to thank all of the churches and their congregations for all of your support in 2019, money, food items and volunteers at the Food Pantry. It was all very much appreciated.

May God bless you all!!



Valentine's Day Gala
(Funding our Faith with Love)
Friday evening, February 14, 2020

Menu Served Restaurant Style

Appetizers

Mixed Greens Salad

Choice of Grilled Pork Medallion or Stuffed Chicken Breast

Twice Baked Potato, Green Beans Almondine, Dinner Rolls

Fancy Cupcakes and Cheesecakes

Beautiful Music by Katie Hanson during Dinner

\$25.00 per person donation for our Capital Campaign

Reservations for 5:00 PM or 7:00 PM Dinner

Must be made by February 11th - Seating is limited –

register at church, office or contact Ruth Dulaney

309-738-6151 or ruthdulaney@gmail.com

(Rose Bouquet for \$5 may be ordered with reservation)

Fellowship/Social Time 45 minutes before each session

Fun Photo Booth by donation

Large variety of **Homemade Candy** can be selected & purchased by the box

Childcare available 4:15 – 6:00 PM payable by donation

WIFI CHANGES AT AUMC

We have updated our wifi here at AUMC. In the past you could log on to AUMC1 in the Education Wing area, and AUMC2 in the Sanctuary area. With the updates, AUMC1 is now for staff, and not available to the public. AUMC2 is our public network, and works in the entire building. You may log into AUMC2 with the password: connectmetochrist.



Ministry Minute

This year we are going to have one minute segments telling you about some of the Volunteer Ministries here at Aledo United Methodist Church. They will be given by different team leaders of the ministries immediately following the announcements at each church service two or three Sundays a month.

We want to make everyone aware of the opportunities to serve others through the many ministries that we have at AUMC. As you hear about these teams, groups and ministries, you will be encouraged to join in a new way to “connect people to Jesus Christ”.

Use your gifts to serve one another. 1 Peter 4:10

Ruth Dulaney, Volunteer Ministries Coordinator

VALENTINE'S DAY

Love is an amazing thing. It breaks all the rules. It has a mind of its own. And it cannot be stopped. Think about it- there are people you love, and you can't even begin to explain why...you just do. Likewise, there are people who love you, and sometimes you can't imagine for the life of you why they do. Another truth about love is that it is so much more than simply an emotion. Love is a conscious choice that takes dedication, perseverance, and some good, old-fashioned hard work.

We all know that February 14th is Valentine's Day- the day we send cards, flowers, and candy to loved ones. (Hallmark and Hershey's have made several fortunes based on that fact.) This Valentine's Day, I hope you do that again (if it is your habit). But along with the conventions, I have a challenge for you...2 challenges, to be exact.

Your first challenge is to make a list of the people you love the most. Write down the 5 things you love the most about them. And then...TELL THEM! Share with them what you love about them. Leave out ANY negatives (we all have them), and focus on the positive aspects of the person. It will make them feel so good, and, surprise, surprise, it will make you feel good, too!

Your second challenge is to spend a total of 15 minutes every day this month in prayer, letting God know how much you love Him.

You may be saying, “15 minutes?!” I said total. Split it up- 5 minutes at a time. You may be saying, “EVERY day for a MONTH?!” Remember, February is the shortest month of the year! You may be saying, “How much I love God?!” Yes, we are called to love God, above all else. God loves us SO much that He sent His only Son to live among us, teach us, die for our sins, and rise for our eternal lives. When you look at it that way, how could we NOT love God? Make sure you tell those around you they are loved. Also, make sure you tell God how much you love Him.

C.I.A. (CARING INDIVIDUAL ADULTS) LUNCHEON

The C.I.A. (Caring Individual Adults) is a group that is open to both mature men and women who often find themselves eating alone. This includes, but isn't limited to, anyone who has lost their spouse, been divorced or separated, or whose loved one is in the nursing home. Once a month, at 11:45AM, the Caring Hearts ministry provides a luncheon for CIA.

The next CIA Luncheon will be held on February 16th. Invite someone who fits the criteria, and join them for lunch You DO NOT need to fit the criteria to invite someone and join them!

NEW/CURRENT BIBLE STUDIES

The Beatitudes: “Developing Spiritual Character” by John Stott

WHAT: Mike Millar’s current Tuesday morning Bible Study

WHEN: Tuesdays @ 9AM

WHERE: In the Fellowship Café, next to the Sanctuary

WHY: The beatitudes reveal to us eight qualities that bring God's blessing: meekness and mercy, poorness in spirit and purity of heart, mourning and hunger, peacemaking and persecution. Jesus highlighted these to offer both encouragement and instruction on living distinctly as his followers in a world with values much different from God's.

WHAT ELSE: Books are available for purchase on Tuesday mornings.



Beloved Disciple: “The Life and Ministry of John” by Beth Moore

WHAT: Next Wednesday morning MEN’S Bible Study with Gary Heard

WHEN: Wednesdays @ 6:30AM (Coffee, breakfast pizza AND donuts EVERY week!)

WHERE: In the Fellowship Café, next to the Sanctuary

WHY: John's legacy was love. Perhaps like no other disciple, John understood that relationship is the point. Every command of Christ and call to obedience is to enhance relationship and place the recipient in a posture the Giver can bless.

WHAT ELSE: Books are \$16



“Unafraid- Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times” by Adam Hamilton

WHAT: Current Wednesday Evening Bible Study with Tim Hay

WHEN: Wednesdays at 6PM.

WHERE: In the Fellowship Café, next to the Sanctuary

WHY: For anyone struggling with fear, worry, or anxiety, or who wonders how families and communities can live as peacemakers in troubled times, *Unafraid* offers an informed and inspiring message full of practical solutions.

WHAT ELSE: The books are free!

CANDLE...WHAT?

On February 2nd, we recognize a little-noticed day in the church calendar- Candlemas. Described in the Gospel of Luke (2:22-40), it's the day Mary and Joseph took Jesus to the temple in Jerusalem forty days after his birth to both complete Mary's required post-childbirth purification and perform the redemption of the firstborn.

When they arrived at the temple, they met Simeon, who had been promised by God that "he should not see death before he had seen the Messiah of the Lord." He took Jesus in his arms and prayed the prayer that would become known as the Canticle of Simeon, which prophesied the redemption of the world by Jesus. This was baby Jesus' introduction to God's house, as well as the church's 1st "formal" meeting with the Messiah.

God chose to come down in the form of a newborn- that fact never ceases to amaze! Churches often talk about "Christmas and Easter People" (those who only come to church on special holidays), but we ARE Christmas and Easter people. We worship a God who chose to do the miraculous- a birth in a manger and a death on a cross- FOR us, so that we might be redeemed. We should keep the miracle of those seasons in our hearts all year long.

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the goodies I received at Christmas time. It was greatly appreciated. Thank you for remembering me.

Blessings to all,
Katharine Jones

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP – NEW STUDIES!

Wednesday Night Fellowship Jr./Sr. High class and FUEL classes have new studies! Join us and check them out!

We continue our youth programming during Wednesday Night Fellowship with FUEL and Bible study. Join us Wednesdays and enjoy a meal with your church family, then attend one of the following groups:

Grades K-1 Indescribable – 100 Devotions About God and Science

Grades 2-3 Indescribable – 100 Devotions About God and Science

Grades 4-5-6 Indescribable – 100 Devotions About God and Science

Grades 7-8 C.S. Lewis – The Screwtape Letters

Grades 9-12 C.S. Lewis – The Screwtape Letters

Wednesday nights are fun and exciting!



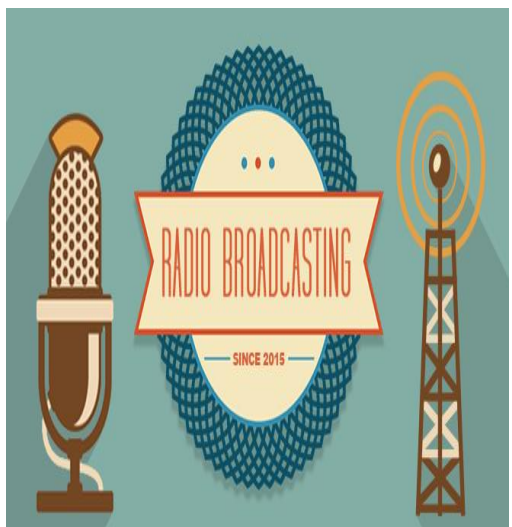
THE NURSERY NEEDS YOU!

The nursery is in need of one more adult staff member. This is a paid position (volunteers also accepted!). The nursery operates on Sunday mornings all year (scheduling allows you to still attend worship), Wednesday evenings when school is in session and during some special church events. If you love little ones and want to help them grow in Christ in a safe and fun environment, the nursery is the place for you!

Please talk to Natalie Nelson, Nursery Director, or Kathleen Bashem, Director of Youth and Children’s Ministries, for more information.

WRMJ RADIO BROADCAST

On the 4th Sunday of each month, and on any 5th Sundays, we broadcast our 10:30AM Worship Service live on WRMJ. Would you like to sponsor this? It costs \$70 to sponsor a Sunday broadcast, and is a wonderful way to get our Services out to the public and to those who cannot make it to church. If you are interested, let the office know at 582-2169. If you would like to sponsor in memory of a loved one, give us the information and we will acknowledge it in the bulletin and in the announcements.



FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

02/03/2007– Jesse & Connie Midkiff
 02/07/1954– Richard & Beverly Norton
 02/13/1982– Bob & Sandi Fausett
 02/20/1993– Larry & Clara McCreight
 02/26/1977– William & Kathryn Newswander



UM Women Golden Age Birthdays

02/14– Molly Paulsgrove
 02/20– Sheila Spencer
 02/21– Dora Mae Howlett
 02/29– JeAnne Balmer



The deadline for the next
 Parish Visitor is
Thursday, February 20th @ 8am.
 Please have all articles submitted
 by this date!

THOSE WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Mike Abel	Fleurette family/loss	Roger & Carol Kiddoo	Kris Taylor family
Connie Alexander/healing	Don Franks/heart	Chad King/brain tumor	Dennis Terrill/heart
Alicia/cancer	Carol Freeman/cancer	Martha E King/health	Frank/Becky Tharp/lost son
Betty Allan	CJ Friedel	Sheryl Kisling/broken leg	Joe Thibedoux/lymphoma
Alicia/cancer	Mike Frye & Lois Frye	Pat Lafferty/heart	Todd/health
Amelia/breast cancer	Gail/chemo & radiation	Jo Lawson	Neil & Pam Truman/health
Jerry Baker	Gildea family/missionaries	Jon Lee/cancer	Nena Visser/health
Phyllis Batson/fell	Keith Girls	Henry Leichty/9 yrs /health	Phil Visser/hip replacement
Bishop Beard/ill	Rodney Glidden/cancer	Nadine Liby	Rebecca Weihler/brain tumor
Robbie Beard/lymphoma	Gloria/cancer	Lisa/cancer	Jim Weintraut family
Kara Berg/health	Jim Hanson/cancer	Kelly Mack/cancer	Marsha Whitman/cancer
Kris Bierbaum	Joanne Harris	Eric Matich/6yrs/leukemia	Rev Tom Wright
Genniene Billiet/cancer	Rev Mark's family, friends, & church family	Lois McCormick family	Shut-ins/Nursing Home residents
Bob Bocox/cancer	Pam Heath	Fran Murphy/hospice	Military & families
Brenda Brandt	Louise Hedrix family	Freda Newswander	All ill/in hospitals
Gary Brown/health	Martha Hillman	Jody Newton/cancer	Our world leaders
Julia Cirks/cancer	Parker Hopkins/2yrs/cancer	Joel Noe/health	Our Church/congregation
Hurley Crossman/cancer	Kelsey Huston/health	Joel Noe's father	Those suffering from depression
Brian Day/leukemia	Babe Hyett/heart	Joe Patterson/heart	Marriages
Dick & Bev/Lange's friends	Jackson/CP	Maddie Perry/cancer	Capital Campaign
Ronn Dillavou	Janet Jenson/cancer	Phyllis/health	Safety in winter weather
Jim Droste	Terry Jones/cancer	Bruce Reynolds/heart surgery	
Jimmy Dutton/kidney donor	Bob Judge/heart	Mary Rillie	
Lauren Eggen/cancer	John Karwath/cancer	Larry Selle	
Evelyn/1yr old/cancer	Mary Kenney	Diana Spencer/health	
Rich Fell/health	Everett Kerres/3 yrs/health	Pat Stevens/cancer	
Sonjia Fell/health		Amy Studer/health	

Mercer County Schools
 Administration, Teachers, Students
 and Staff
 National and Local Governmental
 Leaders

Youth & Children's Page

VALENTINE CARD PARTY

All youth in intermediate school, junior high and high school are invited to join the United Methodist Women on Sunday, February 2 for a Valentine Card Party. Come to the Fellowship Café from 5 pm – 6:30 pm to craft custom Valentine cards for those in our congregation who are shut in or in need of cheer. Pizza will be served for dinner, so please call or text Jennifer Mattson at 309-371-7864 and let her know you'll be joining us. This is a great opportunity for a family fun night! See you on the 2nd!

THE FORGE

“As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.” ---
Proverbs 27:17

Happy New Year from members of The Forge! The Forge will resume meeting on Sunday, January 12, 2020.

Enter The Forge and burnish yourself into the living Christ! Burn away the old as you grow into the new at The Forge! That's right! You do not want to miss this exciting teen opportunity for fellowship on Sundays!

Schedule:

4 pm – 5:15 pm The Forge (grades 6-8)

5:15 pm – 6:15 pm Study Hour (a quiet place to study or get homework help)

6:15 pm – 7:30 pm The Forge (grades 9-12)

BAKED POTATO BAR

2020 Summer Camp Fundraiser

Sponsored by the AUMC Youth Campers

Sunday, February 23, after the 10:30 service

Free will donation

Have lunch with us and help
us get to camp!



SUMMER CAMP

Summer camp registration is now open! Don't miss the opportunity to meet new people and learn new things as you experience the fun of summer camp and grow in Jesus Christ. Ask any of last summer's campers – they had a blast!

For more information and to check out the different camps, please visit these websites:

Illinois camps: <https://www.igrc.org/campsessions>

Iowa camps: <https://www.iaumc.org/camps>

We will be planning a fundraiser soon, so contact Kathleen if you are interested in Summer Camp, 2020!

SERVICE HOURS

Do you, or someone you know, need service hours? See Kathleen for volunteer opportunities and get signed up today!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School is a great place to start your learning week! Sunday School is held from 9:15 am – 10:00 am and includes the following groups:

Grades K-1-2 Symbols in
Christianity

Grades 3-6 The Bible in a
Year

Grades 7-8 Proverbs and
Devozine (NEW STUDY COMING
IN MARCH!)

Grades 9-12 Proverbs and
Devozine (NEW STUDY COMING
IN MARCH!)

Join us Sunday mornings!

Confirmation, 2020

9 January, 2020

Hello!

Confirmation, 2020 is coming soon! Here's what you need to know:

Who: unconfirmed students in 7th (or 8th) grade

Where: Aledo United Methodist Church, Fellowship Café

Day and time: Sundays, 1 pm – 2 pm

Dates: February 9, 16, 23 and March 1, 8, 15, 22, 2020

Confirmation Sunday: Sunday, March 29, 2020 at the 10:30 am service

Are you ready to explore your faith, but not ready to commit to being confirmed? That's okay. Join us for the classes and find out! Are you excited to be confirmed? Great! These classes will get you ready for March 29th! Rev. Dan Wright and Youth Director Kathleen Bashem are here to guide you through the classes and answer your questions.

For more info, please contact Rev. Dan or Kathleen at the church, 309-582-2169.

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

Name or student: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Parent/Guardian cell # and email: _____

Please fill out the registration form, detach it and return it to Kathleen Bashem by Sunday, February 2, 2020. Thank you!

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

All students in 7th grade and older who are interested in learning more about their faith as they prepare for Confirmation are invited to join the 2020 Confirmation Class. Confirmation classes begin Sunday, February 9 at 1 pm, and will be held every Sunday from 1 pm to 2 pm for seven weeks (February 9 – March 22). Confirmation Sunday is March 29, 2020. Questions? Contact Rev. Dan Wright or Youth Director Kathleen Bashem.





WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP FEBRUARY 2020 MEALS

- February 5th Chicken and Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Applesauce, Pies
- February 12th Ham & Bean Soup or Vegetable Beef Soup, Sandwiches, Relish Tray,
Pineapple Fluff, Cookies
- February 19th Scalloped Potatoes & Ham, Green Beans, Toss Salad, Strawberry Fluff,
Brownies
- February 26th Fat Tuesday Meal/Ash Wednesday: Pancakes and Sausage, Fruit, Pas-
tries, Juice, Milk

Come, Enjoy the Food and Fellowship At 5:15 PM

CALL-EM-ALL UPDATE

Call-Em-All now has a way for you to get those messages that only come through partially. It is called Message Replay. If you call the number 844-358-1565, they will play for you the last message sent to your phone number. Be sure to call from the phone that received the original message, and call soon, as you will get only the last message sent.

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES IN FEBRUARY

February is American Heart Month, Black History Month, Cherry Month, Embroidery Month, Grapefruit Month and Responsible Pet Owners' Month. Some special days include: 1st - Freedom Day, 2nd- Groundhog's Day, 3rd- The Day the Music Died, 4th- Create a Vacuum Day, 5th- Western Monarch Butterfly Day, 6th- Lame Duck Day, 7th- Olive Oil Day, 8th- Clean Out Your Computer Day, 9th- Toothache Day, 10th- Umbrella Day, 11th- Don't Cry Over Spilled Milk Day, 12th- Plum Pudding Day, 13th- Get a Different Name Day, 14th- Valentine's Day, 15th- Gumdrops Day, 16th- Mashed Potato Day, 17th- Random Acts of Kindness Day, 18th- Battery Day, 19th- Chocolate Mint Day, 20th- Hoodie-Hoo Day, 21st- Love your Pet Day, 22nd- Be Humble Day, 23rd- Dog Biscuit Appreciation Day, 24th - Tennis Day, 25th- Quiet Day, 26th- Carnival Day, 27th- No-Brainer Day, and 28th- Public Sleeping Day. Celebrate the best, the worst, the sweetest and the oddest in February!



MARCH RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

You can save a life by donating blood to the American Red Cross. It is our church's turn to host the monthly Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, March 17th, 11:30-5:30, at the Mercer County Family YMCA.

This location is a change, due to the Illinois primary's voting stations being at the VFW that same day. Nothing else changes except for the location.

I will need workers, food contributors, and, most importantly, donors that day. Contact me if you can help in any way. Thank you in advance for your contributions.

Mary Flint mflint@frontiernet.net 582-7615

LENTEN BREAKFAST

The Lenten season is an important time in the life of a Christian. It has been a decades-long tradition at Aledo UMC to have a breakfast on the first Sunday of Lent to prepare our hearts for the season.

You and your entire family are invited to a delicious breakfast (egg casserole, sweets, fruit, etc.) served at 9:15 A.M. on Sun., March 1st in the church's dining room. The breakfast is sponsored by our UMW and will include a communion service and a few words by Rev. Dan.

Last year we had a FULL dining room and all were truly blessed by the end of the hour. The service is very meaningful and appropriate for all ages. I know you will enjoy it.

We have scheduled the event for 9:15 so that individuals and families attending the 8:00 service can STAY for breakfast and those planning to attend the 10:30 service can come a bit early. The 9:15 Service will not be held that day, so those of you who attend that service can come to the breakfast.

Sign-up sheets will be passed around during several weeks of church. If you are unable to sign one of those sheets, please call the church office or me to register your attendance. This is always a very nice event which gives our church family a chance to bring our hearts together for Lent and Easter.

Mary Flint, co-president UMW
582-7615

Valentine Card Making Event

February 2nd from 5 PM – 6:30 PM, the UMW Fellowship, along with our church youth, will be hosting a Valentine card making event in the Fellowship Café area. We will work together to create custom Valentine cards to send to shut-ins and those needing cheer. All women of our church, and our junior and senior high youth are invited to attend. Pizza will be served. Please register your attendance by calling or texting Jennifer Mattson at (309) 371-7864. (We need a headcount for the pizza.) Thank you!



**PRAYER WALK
THROUGH THE
CHURCH
EVERY
SUNDAY
MORNING
AT 7AM.**

Need a ride to church?

Contact Greg Cobert at 309-737-5621, or the office at 309-582-2169 to make arrangements to be picked up.



**WORSHIP
TIMES:
Sundays 8AM,
9:15AM,
10:30AM
Sunday School
9:15AM**

John 14:6

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

Caring Hearts

Do you want to take some food to a friend who is ill or in need?

Our Caring Hearts freezer, located by the elevator doors in the basement, has a variety of soups, casseroles, fruit, and desserts.

A group of dedicated ladies prepare the delicious home-made food twice a month for anyone who is in need of cheer.

Please help yourself!

KNIT, CROCHET, PRAY

Do you listen better when you are doing something with your hands? We have a ministry that's just for you! Baskets are in the back of the sanctuary that have scarves to knit or crochet. You are invited to take a scarf from the basket and knit or crochet a few rows during worship (knit stitch for the knit scarves, single crochet for the crocheted scarves). As you stitch, you are encouraged to pray for the person who will receive the scarf. After worship, return the scarf to the basket for the next person to stitch a few rows. Completed scarves will be given to people in need. Anyone who can knit or crochet is invited to Knit, Crochet and Pray. Don't know how, but want to learn? See Kathleen Bashem.



FINANCIAL MATTERS

(WEEKLY NEED \$7,377.90)

Date	01/05/2020	01/12/2020	01/19/2020	01/26/2020
Attendance	221	226	208	282
Receipts (Toward Budget)	\$6,293.50	\$3,625.00	\$6,114.96	\$5,676.25