

# The Parish Visitor



## November 2019

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### *"Follow the Star"*

### Holiday Bazaar

Friday, Nov. 22nd 3 PM to 7 PM

Saturday, Nov. 23rd 8 AM to 11 AM

This is an event which you and your family do not want to miss. We pride ourselves in beautifully displaying Nativity Sets as well as maintaining an old fashioned unique and high quality bazaar for the ninth year.

*Spread the word and invite your friends to attend.*

*It is another great opportunity to connect others to Jesus Christ!*

### Our Ever Popular Displays & Booths

#### Beautiful Nativities on display to celebrate the birth of Jesus

Sparkle & Company	Sweet Shoppe (Cookie and Candy Walk)	Creative Hands
All Wrapped Up	Hot Chocolate Bar	The Cutting Edge
Holiday Shoppe	All Things Wooden	Homemade with Love
Razzle Dazzle	Clean Living	<b>Free Hot Chocolate!</b>

#### Candy Cane Café

Friday meal: 4:30-6:30 PM Chili bar & cornbread, chicken noodle soup, and a kid's meal of hot dog and chips

Saturday meal: 8:00-10:30 AM Biscuits and sausage gravy

This is truly a team effort to plan and prepare for the upcoming Holiday Bazaar.

Thank you to everyone who have helped or will be helping in any way.

Many individuals are donating their time, talents, Nativities, money for this project!

There are still many opportunities to serve! (See Volunteer Opportunities article)

*Profits will be used for local missions*

#### SPECIAL DATES:

- Nov 2 UMW Spiritual Retreat at AUMC 8:30AM-1PM
- Nov 3 Communion & Food Pantry Sunday
- Nov 3 UMW Sunday at 8, 9:15, and 10:30AM Services
- Nov 3 Golden Age Luncheon 11:45AM
- Nov 3 Charge Conference at AUMC 1:30PM
- Nov 5 Loving Hands Food Prep 1:30PM
- Nov 11 Office Closed for Veterans Day
- Nov 14 Caring Hearts Food Prep 9AM
- Nov 17 CIA Luncheon 11:45AM
- Nov 17 Mission Meeting 5:15PM
- Nov 17 Trustees Meeting 6PM
- Nov 17 Finance Meeting 6:45PM
- Nov 17 Council Meeting 7:30PM
- Nov 18 Parish Visitor Deadline 8AM
- Nov 18 United Methodist Men Meeting 6PM
- Nov 22 Follow the Star Holiday Bazaar 3-7PM
- Nov 23 Follow the Star Holiday Bazaar 8-11AM
- Nov 25 Endowment Meeting 6:30PM
- Nov 25 PPRC Meeting 6:30PM
- Nov 25 Relay for Life Meeting 6:30PM
- Nov 28-29 Office Closed for Thanksgiving

**For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord. They are plans for good and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Jeremiah 29:11**

## CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

The Children's Pageant will be held December 1st at the 10:30AM Service. Please have your child/children here by 9AM for practice and costuming. We will meet in the dining room.

Congregation:

Come and experience the Birth of Jesus through the eyes of a child!



**KIDS, HAVE  
YOU SEEN  
TYSON'S TALES,  
OUR  
CHILDREN'S  
LIBRARY IN THE  
EDUCATION  
WING?  
STEP INTO THE  
WORLD OF  
READING!**

## CHARGE CONFERENCE

This year, Charge Conference (our annual "meeting" to set both the budget and ministry teams for the coming year) is on Sunday, November 3rd at 1:30PM here at Aledo United Methodist Church. Our District Superintendent Rev. Steve Granadosin will be joining us that day. We will host Illinois City-Pine Bluff, Joy-Eliza-New Boston, Reynolds-Taylor Ridge, and Viola-Preemption. Please plan to attend.



## THANKSGIVING

**Thursday, Nov. 28th** brings the annual celebration of Thanksgiving- a day originally set aside to give thanks for the things one has at the end of the harvest season, Thanksgiving is celebrated on the fourth Thursday of November.

We trace this American tradition back to 1623. After the harvest in November that year, Governor William Bradford proclaimed: *Inasmuch as the great Father has given us this year an abundant harvest...has made the forests to abound with game and the sea with fish and clams, and...has granted us freedom to worship God according to the dictates of our own conscience, I proclaim that all...gather at ye meeting house...between the hours of 9 and 12...on Thursday November 29th, 1623, there to render thanksgiving to ye Almighty God for all his blessings.*

This year at Thanksgiving, we pray you will be able to break bread with family and/or friends. This Thanksgiving, take time to count your blessings- name them one by one. This Thanksgiving, be sure to give God the thanks He deserves for all of the blessings He gives us.



## 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.



## CONNECTION COINS FOR OCTOBER

The Connection Coins (the “thinly-veiled Pringles cans”!) are doing great things in the life of the Aleo 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 (November 10th), the Connection Coin offering will go toward another important ministry, the Fellowship Café. One of the fastest growing and most-used ministries on Sunday mornings, the Fellowship Café offers a place for people to get some gourmet coffee and a bite to eat while they share in some powerful fellowship. As our Sunday morning attendance grows, so does the number of people reached by the Café. So, 100% of the money that is collected in the cans on the 10th of November 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, November 10th!



## DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Don’t forget- in the wee, small hours of the morning of Sunday Nov. 3rd, we turn our clocks **BACK** one hour as we end Daylight Savings Time. So, mark your calendars, adjust your clock, and come to worship on the 3rd of November ready to experience God in a powerful way!



## UMW SUNDAY AND GOLDEN AGE LUNCHEON

One of the best events in the life of our church is coming up on Sunday, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>. United Methodist Women Sunday will be celebrated at all 3 services. Our Golden Agers (age 75 and above) will be honored at each service. UMW Sunday brings with it the annual Golden Age Luncheon. EVERYONE is invited to come for a delicious FREE meal (ham, turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, salads, rolls, and desserts) following the 10:30 service. We look forward to a huge crowd! As I say each and every year, we will need to have two groups of people in attendance that day. One, all the Golden Age women of our church family should be present to be honored. Secondly, EVERYONE of all ages needs to come to show their appreciation for everything these ladies have done for our church over the years. November 3<sup>rd</sup>—mark it on your calendars and plan to attend UMW Sunday and the Golden Age Luncheon.

*UMW co-presidents, Mary Flint and Molly Joseph*



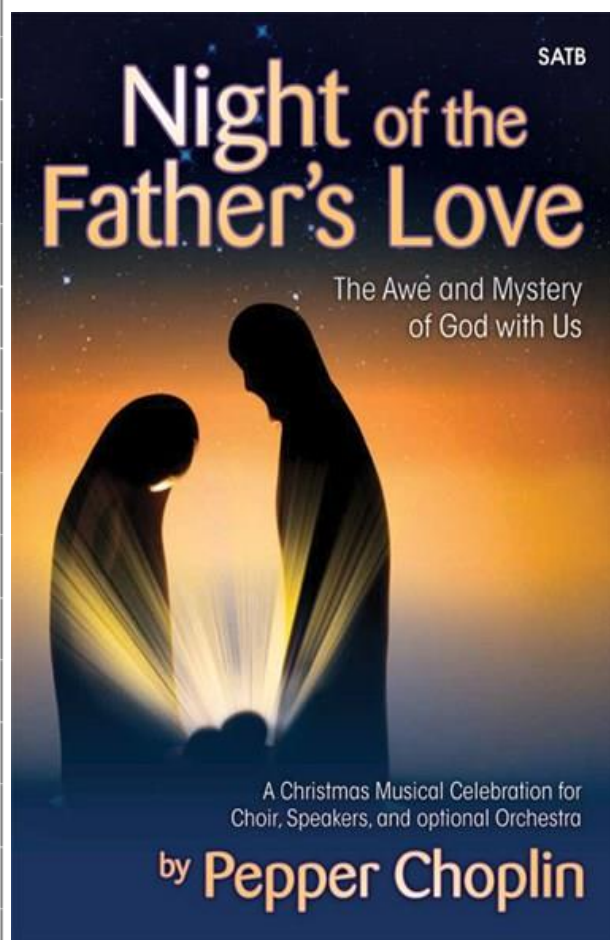


**2019 Hanging of the Greens**  
**Sunday, December 1st**  
**4-6:30PM**

Kid's Crafts  
Banner Making  
Cookie Decorating  
Sanctuary Decorating  
Wonderful Meal & Fellowship  
Lighting of the Christmas Tree  
Christmas Story  
Christmas Carols

*A time to prepare our hearts for the Christmas Season.*

*Fun for all ages!*



**CHANCEL CHOIR CANTATA**

On Sunday, December 8th, our Chancel Choir will bless us with the cantata, "Night of the Father's Love" by Pepper Choplin. Performances will be at 8AM, 10:30AM, and 6PM. Don't miss this wonderful tradition at AUMC, and invite others to join us!

**ALL-CHURCH LUNCHEON**

On Sunday, December 8th, after the 10:30 Service, the United Methodist Men are holding an all-church luncheon in the dining room. Plan to come and enjoy the Cantata, and then join the Church family for lunch!



## NEW/CURRENT BIBLE STUDIES

### **Decisions: Seeking God's Guidance**

**WHAT:** Mike Millar's current Tuesday morning Bible Study

**WHEN:** Tuesdays @ 9AM

**WHERE:** In the Fellowship Café, next to the Sanctuary

**WHY:** While the Bible cannot give us the answer to every decision that we face, it does teach us how to make decisions. Join with us for 9 studies that seek God's help in our lives.

**WHAT ELSE:** This study started October 1st. It is NOT too late to join! Books are \$8.



### **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



### **Max Lucado's "Life Lessons from Acts"**

**WHAT:** Current Wednesday Evening Bible Study with Tim Hay

**WHEN:** Wednesdays at 6PM.

**WHERE:** In the Fellowship Café, next to the Sanctuary

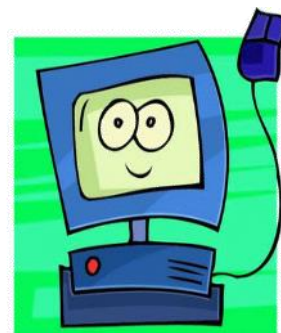
**WHY:** In the book of Acts you'll see that the men you read about in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John have been transformed. They may still look the same and have the same mannerisms, but with the Holy Spirit indwelling them, they are not the same and because they are different, so is the world. They founded the early Church and gave us a legacy of faith.

**WHAT ELSE:** The books are \$10

## WORSHIP TECH OPPORTUNITIES

Do you like electronics? Then your church needs YOU! We need people to help operate the sound system and computer during Sunday morning worship services. What do you need in order to run these things? The list is LONG- a willingness to serve, and...that would be about it! The systems, designed specifically for churches, are quite simple to operate. (Don't let all the knobs and switches intimidate you!) The great part about this ministry is that it happens during worship, when you're in church anyway! Do you feel God calling you to step up and help?

Talk to Mike Millar or Ruth Dulaney.



## SPECIAL OBSERVANCES IN NOVEMBER

Did you know that November is Child Safety Protection Month? It is also International Drum Month. In addition, it is Adoption Awareness Month, Model Railroad Month and Peanut Butter Lovers Month. Special days include- the 1st- All Saints Day, the 2nd- Look for Circles Day, the 3rd- Sandwich Day, the 4th- King Tut Day, the 5th- Gunpowder Day, the 6th- Marooned without a Compass Day, the 7th- Bittersweet Chocolate with Almonds Day, the 8th- Dunces Day, the 9th- Chaos Never Dies Day, the 10th- USMC Day, the 11th- Veteran's Day, the 12th- Chicken Soup for the Soul Day, the 13th- World Kindness Day, the 14th- Operating Room Nurse Day, the 15th- Clean Your Refrigerator Day, the 16th- Have a Party With Your Bear Day, 17th- Take A Hike Day, the 18th- Almond Day, the 19th- Have a Bad Day Day, the 20th- Absurdity Day, the 21st- False Confession Day, the 22nd- Thanksgiving Day (see accompanying article), the 23rd- Black Friday, the 24th - Make Your Own Head Day, the 25th- Square Dance Day, the 26th- What Do You Love About America? Day, the 27th- National Parfait Day, the 28th- Go For a Ride Day, the 29th- Eat a Cranberry Day and the 30th- Stay At Home Because You Are Well Day. Pick a few of these unique, interesting, and odd days and observe them with your family in creative ways!



We would like to thank you for including us in the "Pringle Can" monthly collection. The money we received will help alleviate any shortages in postage funds we may incur during our project. Thank you so much and God bless you!

*Scott Spencer, Joan Reynolds, and the OCC Committee*

**Thank You!!**

A big thank you to my family and friends for the prayers, cards, phone calls, and many visits during my surgery and hospital stay.

Love,  
*Kathy Haney*



### **C.I.A. (Caring Individual Adults) Luncheon October 20<sup>th</sup>**

CIA continues to flourish! This group is aimed at folks who often find themselves eating alone. This includes (but is NOT limited to) anyone who has lost their spouse, divorced or separated, or whose loved one is in the nursing home. The CIA luncheon happens once each month. This month, the luncheon will be on Sunday, November 17th, immediately following the 10:30AM worship service. You don't have to bring anything except yourself. Feel free to invite a friend to share the meal and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you on the 17th of November at 11:45AM!

### **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.

## NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

11/02/1978– Dwight & Joan Reynolds  
 11/10/1968– William & Carolyn Pollock  
 11/18/1956– James & Barbara Runyon  
 11/18/1978– Richard & Nancy Robinson  
 11/19/1955– Donald & Gerry Harmon  
 11/22/1975– John & Chrisy Bender  
 11/26/2006– Tim & Cathy Hay



## UM Women Golden Age Birthdays

11/01– Joan Lawson



The deadline for the next  
Parish Visitor is

**Monday, November 18 @ 8am.**

Please have all articles submitted  
by this date!

## THOSE WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Betty Allan  
 Amelia/breast cancer  
 Jerry Baker  
 Jack Bateman & family  
 Phyllis Batson  
 Robbie Beard/lymphoma  
 Linda Beguelin/brain bleed  
 Bentley/6yrs/cancer  
 Kris Bierbaum  
 Genniene Billiet/cancer  
 Bob Bocox/cancer  
 Brian Boenkamp/coma  
 Brady, Jacob, Camden  
 Brenda Brandt  
 Renae Brown/health  
 Patty Brunner  
 Robin Ciccotelli family  
 Julia Cirks/cancer  
 Hurley Crossman/cancer  
 Neil David  
 Brian Day/leukemia  
 Dick & Bev/health  
 Jim Droste  
 Lauren Eggen/cancer  
 Evelyn/1yr old/cancer  
 Rich Fell/health  
 Bill Fleurette/hernia surgery  
 Lois Fleurette/hospice

Carol Freeman/cancer  
 CJ Friedel  
 Gail/chemo & radiation  
 Gildea family/missionaries  
 Zack Glenn & family  
 Rodney Glidden/cancer  
 Joanne Harris  
 Rev Mark's family, friends, &  
 church family  
 Pam Heath  
 Louise Hedrix/cancer  
 Parker Hopkins/2yrs/cancer  
 Jackson/CP  
 Janet Jenson/cancer  
 Terry Jones/cancer  
 John Karwath/cancer  
 Kelsey/pray cancer has not  
 returned  
 Everett Kerres/3 yrs/health  
 Chad King/brain tumor  
 Martha E King  
 Nathan Kirk/healing  
 Sandra Lanteau  
 Jon Lee/cancer  
 Henry Leichty/9 yrs /health  
 Kelly Mack/cancer  
 Eric Matich/6yrs/leukemia  
 Carol McAtee family

Julie McGee/loss  
 Jesse Midkiff  
 Fran Murphy/hospice  
 Jody Newton/cancer  
 Joel Noe/health  
 Ember Pappas/cancer  
 Maddie Perry/cancer  
 Bill Pollock/health  
 Dan Salmon/move  
 Pauline Schmidt/health  
 Sara Schrock/hospice  
 Donnie Short  
 Katherine Shondel  
 Lucas Smith/blood disorder  
 Diana Spencer/health  
 Pat Stevens/cancer  
 Amy Studer/health  
 Kris Taylor/health  
 Dennis Terrill/heart  
 Joe Thibedoux/lymphoma  
 Neil Truman/health  
 Pam Truman/health  
 Nena Visser/health  
 Alice Wainright/health  
 Rebecca Weihler/brain tumor  
 Jim Weintraut/health  
 Sue Whitaker/pneumonia  
 Marsha Whitman/cancer

Shut-ins/Nursing Home residents  
 Military & families  
 All ill/in hospitals  
 Our world leaders  
 Our Church/congregation  
 Flooding victims  
 Those suffering from depression  
 Travel mercies for travelers  
 Marriages



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



# Youth & Children's Page

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

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 Super Bible Games and Kids' Travel Guide to Fruits of the Spirit

Grades 2-3 Super Bible Games and Kids' Travel Guide to Fruits of the Spirit

Grades 4-5-6 Super Bible Games and Kids' Travel Guide to Fruits of the Spirit

Grades 7-8 Here After, a Merge study

Grades 9-12 Here After, a Merge study

Wednesday nights are fun and exciting!

## THANK YOU!

Thank you Carol Hess for your donation of games! We've enjoyed playing Jenga and look forward to learning how to play Waterworks and Milles Borne!

## SERVICE HOURS

Do you, or someone you know, need service hours? Helping with crafts at the Hanging of the Greens and participation in other Forge service projects count for service hours. See Kathleen and get signed up today!

## THE FORGE

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

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)

## CHECK OUT THESE FORGE ACTIVITIES:

### • Operation Christmas Child

Members of the Forge are collecting items to be put in the Operation Christmas Child boxes. All donated items are due on November 3, so we can pack the boxes and send them on their way around the world. Cash donations for postage are also welcomed. Thank you for your help to make us successful!

### • Halloween Party

On Sunday, October 27, members of the Forge celebrated Halloween with a party that included making decorations for the Taylormobile for Trunk or Treat, eating pizza and sweet treats and playing games. We all had a "spooktacular" time!

### • Hanging of the Greens

Join us on Sunday, December 1 for the Hanging of the Greens. We will help with the craft table, share dinner with our church family, enjoy a special story time and sing songs of the season. What a wonderful way to begin the Advent season as we await the birth of Christ!

## FORGE COMING EVENTS:

**Sunday, December 1, 4 pm** – Hanging of the Greens

**Sunday, December 8, 6 pm** - Aledo United Methodist Church Christmas Cantata

**Sunday, December, 15, 4 pm** - Forge Christmas Party (grades 6-8)

**Sunday, December 15, 6:15 pm** - Forge Christmas Party (grades 9-12)



## Volunteer Ministries Spotlight

By Ruth Dulaney

*"The meaning of life is to find your gift. The purpose of life is to give it away"* William Shakespeare

**Thank you to so many who have been sharing their God-given gifts in many ways!**

**We now have yet another way to connect people to Jesus Christ through our *Follow the Star* Holiday Bazaar on November 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Will you volunteer to help prepare, work at a booth, or clean up?**

All of the profits from the Bazaar are distributed to local charities within our community  
and our church ministries.

***So by sharing your talents with this big event, you are directly giving to missions!***

### Opportunities to Serve at the Holiday Bazaar for Everyone

- **Work at the Holiday Bazaar** – contact these Team Leaders to help or *Carol Brown & Ruth Dulaney*

Candy Cane Café: Laura McGinnis  
Sparkle & Company: Shelly Reusch or Sara Blaser  
Sweet Shoppe: Elene Waters or Kathy Jenkins  
Creative Hands: Nancy Robinson  
All Wrapped Up: Contact Carol or Ruth – Looking for a team leader  
Hot Chocolate Bar: Christy Bender  
The Cutting Edge: Mary Anderson  
Nativity Displays: Molly Joseph  
Holiday Shoppe: Linda Morrow and Lyn Franks  
All Things Wooden: Carol Brown  
Homemade with Love: Carol Brown  
Clean Living: Wanda Cobert  
Razzle Dazzle: Wanda Cobert

- **Donate Food, Crafts or bring monetary donations.**
- **Card tables, Greeters, Cashiers, Oasis workers are needed**
- **Share your Nativity Set(s):** (Set up and Take down your own) Questions: Ask Molly Joseph
- **Set up or Take down the tables & booths:** Questions: Ask Ruth Dulaney 309-738-6151

### Holiday Bazaar Work Dates

Tuesday, November 12th at 10:30 AM	Sit Down Tasks	Dining Room
Thursday, November 14 <sup>th</sup> at 6 PM	Craft Work Night	Basement Activity Room
Tuesday, November 19 <sup>th</sup> 9 AM – Noon	Make Cookies/Candy	Kitchen
Tuesday, November 19 <sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM	Make Sweet Breads	Kitchen
Tuesday, November 19 <sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM	Set up Tables	Basement
Wednesday, November 20 <sup>th</sup> 9 AM - Noon	Make Cookies/Candy	Kitchen
Wednesday, November 20 <sup>th</sup> after WNF	Set up tables, Nativities	Fellowship Rm/Basement
Thursday, November 21 <sup>st</sup> at 9:00 AM	Set up booths	Fellowship Rm/Basement
Friday, November 22 <sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 AM	Complete Set Up	Fellowship Rm/Basement
Saturday, November 23 <sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 AM	Clean up	Fellowship Rm/Basement



## WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP NOVEMBER 2019 MEALS

### November 2019 Wednesday Night Fellowship Meals

November 6th	Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Tossed Salad, Garlic Bread, Applesauce, Angel Food Cake & Ice Cream
November 13 <sup>th</sup>	Hot Pork Sandies, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Cookies & Cupcakes
November 20 <sup>th</sup>	Soup & Sandwiches, Relish Tray, Fruit, Dessert
November 27 <sup>th</sup>	No WNF – Thanksgiving Break

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

## ONLINE GIVING

More and more of you are now making your weekly/monthly/yearly offering to your church online! If you go to the home page of the church website ([www.myaledoumc.com](http://www.myaledoumc.com)) and choose “giving” from the Navigation Bar near the top, it will take you to a page that will provide the opportunity for you to give electronically. You can either do a one-time gift or a recurring monthly gift.

“Why would that be good for the church?” Thanks for asking! It’s SO easy to forget your checkbook at home one week. It’s also so easy to forget to give your offering when you are out of town. But the truth of the matter is that the financial commitments of the church...the bills, if you will...don’t decrease on those weeks when people forget to tithe. Our financial commitments are steady all year long. Therefore, having a steady, dependable stream of giving helps us better plan for next week, next month and next year!

In addition to setting it up through our website, MANY banks now offer online “bill pay”. With that service you can set up your church giving for whenever and however much you want it to be. Either way, it’s simple, easy and dependable. Won’t you consider electronic giving?



## CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

Grades K-1-2	Symbols in Christianity
Grades 3-6	The Bible in a Year
Grades 7-8 and Devozine	Proverbs
Grades 9-12 and Devozine	Proverbs

Join us Sunday mornings!

## AUMC IS NOW A RIVERBEND FOOD BANK PARTNER

We can go to the Riverbend Food Bank Warehouse in Davenport, Iowa Monday through Friday 8 AM – 2 PM and pick up free produce and buy products at reduced price for our Loving Hands Sandwich and Caring Hearts Ministries. If you would like to drive and pick up food supplies from Riverbend Food Bank, please contact Ruth Dulaney.

There are, of course, food safety requirements which we already have addressed by having three food safety handlers within our church family and following safe practices in the kitchen which is licensed by the Mercer County Health Department.

We are required to report food donations which we receive from HyVee and also from our congregation. We certainly still welcome your food donations but please mark them as a donation for Loving Hands and place them in the basement storage room at the foot of the stairway (the Old Bathroom area).

## UMW FELLOWSHIP "IT'S A WRAP" CHRISTMAS BASKETS

UMW Fellowship will be holding our annual Christmas Basket event on Tuesday, December 3rd at 6PM. We will wrap gifts and put together baskets for those in need. We invite all women of AUMC to participate. There will be a light meal provided. We ask for donations of toilet paper, laundry detergent, dryer sheets, dish soap, and bar soap. Donations of Christmas wrap and bows are appreciated as well. Please come and enjoy a night of fun and fellowship and help brighten Christmas for those in need.



**Operation  
Christmas  
Child**

**Remember:  
Your boxes are due by  
November 3rd!**

## CUNNINGHAM CHILDREN'S HOME & LESSIE BATES DAVIS NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE CHRISTMAS

It is time to gather gift cards for Christmas gifts for the children and families at these two places that the United Methodist Women, (and our entire Church), support throughout the year (and especially at Christmas)! Bring your gift cards for Amazon, Family Dollar, Gordmans, Old Navy, TJ Maxx, Wendy's, Taco Bell, Burger King, Casey's, Arby's, iTunes, Toys R Us, or Walmart to the office by November 25th, and we will make sure they arrive at their destinations by December 1st. They have lots of shopping to do to be ready by Christmas! Thank you for your support !

**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**

### 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.

### DID YOU MISS SUNDAY'S SERMON?

If you miss church on Sunday, you can STILL experience the sermon. You can go to the church's Facebook page to watch a video of any sermon you missed.

## SCHEDULING EVENTS

The Aledo United Methodist Church is a BUSY place! (Our custodian tells us that he struggles to find time to CLEAN the church because there is always something GOING ON in the church!) And since we are busy connecting people with Jesus Christ, then it is a VERY good thing that we are busy! But BECAUSE we are so busy, it makes scheduling a bit more of a challenge. Events that never had to be concerned with the calendar before now...have to!

We continue to find creative, collaborative ways to enable multiple events to happen at the same time- which IS our goal- but we can't do that if we don't know an event is scheduled. With that in mind, please contact the Church Office as soon as possible to make sure your date/time/area of the church is available and to get your event on the church calendar. Is your church a busy place? Yes! Is it busy connecting people to Jesus Christ? Yes! Therefore, we want to do EVERYTHING we can to make sure as many ministries as possible that help further our mission are able to happen!

### SAVE THE DATES!

**December 1- Children's Christmas Pageant  
10:30AM Service**

**December 10- Christmas Cantata 8AM,  
10:30AM, and 6PM Presentations**

**December 10- United Methodist Men Sponsored All-Church Luncheon 11:45AM**

**December 24- Christmas Eve Services 7PM  
and 11PM**

## FINANCIAL MATTERS (WEEKLY NEED \$6,689)

Date	10/06/2019	10/13/2019	10/20/2019	10/27/2019
Attendance	249	217	243	246
Receipts				
(Toward Budget)	\$8,282.00	\$4,446.75	\$5,748.00	\$5,905.00

