

The Parish Visitor

November, 2016



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UP...OUT OF THE WATER

by Rev. Mark

Several years back...I performed a funeral. It was for a gentleman who was a long-term member of the church we served at the time. He had spent the last few years of his life in a nursing home. One day, toward the end of his life, when I visited him, we were talking about what we wanted out of life. And in the context of that conversation, he said, "At this point in my life, what I want most is to be buried up out of the water." He chuckled, I chuckled, and we went on with our conversation.

A few months later, he passed away. As I prepared to perform his funeral, that conversation came back to me. I filed it into my "short-term" memory... in case it came up again. The day of the funeral came. I performed the service at the funeral home, and then we loaded into cars and headed to the cemetery... a few miles out of town. That particular cemetery sits on a slight hill... a rise that stands above the surrounding farm land. As I stood there, with my hand on the casket, committing his earthly remains back to the ground...back to God, that conversation, parked in short-term memory, came flooding back. I shared it with those gathered there, and then I added, "Well...you got your wish...you are up out of the water!"

What do YOU want out of life? Do you have goals? Dreams? Hopes? Do you review them regularly, pursue them with passion? Or has the weight of the world caused you to put them on the back burner, perhaps even give up on them altogether? Without goals, dreams and hopes, the world is a pretty grim, uninviting place. Life is just a day-to-day attempt to survive another day. But WITH them...the world is a bright, inviting place full of promise and potential. I don't know about you, but if those are my choices, I would MUCH rather lean toward the inviting and promising than the uninviting and hopeless! Don't let the world destroy your dreams. Hang in there, seek strength from God, and keep pushing forward!

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Don't forget- in the wee, small hours of the morning of Sunday Nov. 6th, 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 6th of November ready to experience God in a powerful way!



SPECIAL DATES:

- November 1 Mission Team Meeting 6:30PM
- November 5 UMW Spiritual Growth Retreat 9AM
- November 5 MnM Night 3PM
- November 6 Communion & Food Pantry Sunday
- November 6 UMW Sunday
- November 6 Golden Age Luncheon 11:30AM
- November 7 Holiday Bazaar Work Time/pet treats 5PM
- November 7 Finance Meeting 6PM
- November 7 Trustees Meeting 7PM
- November 7 Holiday Bazaar Planning Meeting 6:30PM
- November 10 Caring Hearts Food Prep 9AM
- November 11 Office Closed for Veteran's Day
- November 14 Holiday Bazaar Work Time/breads 5PM
- November 17 Naomi Wesleyan Circle 11:30 AM
- November 18 Parish Visitor Deadline 8AM
- November 18 "Follow the Star" Holiday Bazaar 3-7PM
- November 19 "Follow the Star" Holiday Bazaar 8-11AM
- November 20 Runyon 60th Anniversary Celebration 2-4PM
- November 20 Administrative Council Meeting 7:15PM
- November 21 Life Line Screening 8AM-5PM
- November 21 UM Men 6PM
- November 24-25 Office Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday
- November 27 Hanging of the Greens 4PM
- November 28 PPRC Meeting 6:30PM
- November 29 MMDC Work Day 6:30AM

CURRENT/NEW SERMON SERIES

by Rev. Mark

On Sunday, October 16, we began a new sermon series- **Glory Days**. Life has a way of taking the life out of us. Often we go through situations where the challenge seems so much greater than our strength. During such times, we can find hope and inspiration from the story of Joshua. God called him to lead the people from wilderness wandering to promise-believing. The same is true for us today. God is telling us that our best days—our “glory days”—are still ahead of us. We only need to grasp that truth and live in faith to realize that promise. The remaining weeks of the series look like this:

Sunday, November 6- Audacious Prayers (Joshua 10:12-14)

Our prayers need to be more frequent, more courageous and more powerful! (Proverbs 3:5-6, John 15:6-8)

Sunday, November 13- No Falling Words (Joshua 21:43-45)

In a world where trust is an endangered species, put your trust in God. (Genesis 12:6-9, Romans 8:31-39)

Sunday, November 20- God Fights for You (Joshua 1:5-9)

When you face challenges, be confident that God is your defender. (Psalm 103:1-5, Hebrews 13:5-6)

Then, on Sunday, November 27, we swerve and go a whole different direction! Growing up, Sundays were dominated by the Wonderful World of Disney. Each Sunday evening, "Uncle Walt" would come into my living room and introduce a story that helped me better understand the world in some way. This Christmas season, we are going to take a nostalgic look BACK...to help us take a dramatic look forward. Each week of Advent- the Christmas season- **A Very Disney Christmas** will focus on three things:

1. a portion of the Christmas story as found in the New Testament Gospels
2. Old Testament prophecy about the coming of the Messiah
3. a classic Disney song that helps inform the theme for the day.

The weeks of the series look like this:

Sunday, November 27, 2016- You Can Fly (Matthew 1:18-25)

Being open to God's new plan can bring about great spiritual growth.
(Isaiah 7:14, Isaiah 9:6-7)

Sunday, December 4, 2016- Hakuna Matata (Luke 1:26-38)

Refusing to worry helps create a deep and abiding peace.
(Numbers 24:17a, Isaiah 7:14)

Sunday, December 11, 2016- I Wanna Be Like You (Matthew 2:1-12)

Knowing to Whom you look helps create a strong sense of commitment.
(Micah 5:2, Isaiah 9:6-7)

Sunday, December 18, 2016- A Whole New World (Luke 2:6-20)

Embracing the miraculous can bring about rebirth.
(Numbers 24:17a, Micah 5:2)

Saturday, December 24, 2016- When You Wish Upon a Star (Luke 2:6-20)

Recognizing the extraordinary in the midst of the ordinary helps create a powerful sense of hope.
(Isaiah 9:6-7)

Sunday, December 25, 2016- You've Got a Friend in Me (John 1:1-14)

Following Emmanuel- God with us- is the best form of guidance.
Bring the kids. Bring the grandkids. Bring the neighbors. Pull up a chair. Grab a seat on the couch. Get ready for everything old to be new again this Christmas!

PASTOR'S NEW AND CURRENT BIBLE STUDIES

Job: Waiting on God in Difficult Times

WHAT: Rev. Mark's current Tuesday morning Bible Study

WHEN: Tuesdays @ 9AM

WHERE: In the Fellowship Cafe'

WHY: The life of Job provides a definitive guide to the problem of pain and explores some of life's biggest questions: Why does God let bad things happen to good people? Can seemingly random pain have a purpose? Can you trust a just God in an unfair world? When will He finally show up? Examine these questions and learn how you can take shelter in your Savior through life's dark storms.

WHAT ELSE: The books are...FREE!

The Gospel of Luke

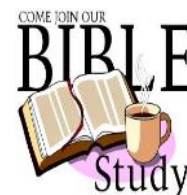
WHAT: Rev. Mark's current Wednesday morning MEN'S Bible Study

WHEN: Wednesdays @ 6:30AM

WHERE: In the Fellowship Cafe' next to the sanctuary

WHY: With a historian's precision, Luke's Gospel shows painstaking care both in detail and in expression. Of equal distinction is the universal appeal of the Gospel. Dr. William Barclay wrote that this Gospel makes "Christ the open door for all without reserve." In many areas that were either minimized or neglected by the other Gospel writers, Luke's account is more complete, emphasizing prayer, the dignity of women, and praise of God. Barclay's insightful comments help each of us to see the infinitude of God's love through Luke's eyes.

WHAT ELSE: The books are \$15



Matthew: A Guide to the New Daily Study Bible

WHAT: Rev. Mark's current Wednesday evening Bible Study

WHEN: Wednesdays @ 6PM

WHERE: In the Fellowship Cafe' next to the sanctuary

WHY: Responding to the need for fresh, practical, and affordable resources for personal and group study, Westminster John Knox Press is pleased to present a new series of Gospel study guides that will supplement William Barclay's New Daily Study Bible. Each of the slim volumes will be divided into sections offering a page-long excerpt from the New Daily Study Bible followed by questions to encourage group discussion and personal reflection, and suggestions for praying and applying Scripture to our daily lives.

WHAT ELSE: The books are...FREE!

AN OUTREACH IDEA

Here's a low-risk, easy way to introduce others to faith- share Rev. Mark's website with them. Described as "a daily look at life as a shaved-headed, earring-wearing, rock-drumming United Methodist minister", www.stickwithjesus.com features a "thought for the day", written by Rev. Mark- a new one is literally added daily! There is also a daily Bible verse AND a Prayer Request page, where you can (anonymously if you want) ask for prayer! Check it out- if you would like to subscribe and receive a daily email link, email Rev. Mark at revmark@myaledoumc.com and let him know.





Follow the Star Holiday Bazaar

Friday, Nov. 18th 3 PM to 7 PM

Saturday, Nov. 19th 8 AM to 11 AM

Special Preview for Seniors Nov. 18th 2 PM

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 sixth 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

Candy Cane Café	The Country Store	Sweet Shoppe	Secret Shoppers
Creative Hands	Dinner-To-Go	Pampered Pets	The Cutting Edge
Love Notes	Appreciation Creations	(New) Bread of Life	(New) Hot Chocolate Bar
(New) Deck the Halls	(New) Children Activities	(Back Again) Christmas Re-Runs	

Fellowship Café meals: Soup & pulled pork sandwiches and a kid's meal (New) on Nov. 18th
Biscuits and gravy Nov. 19th

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

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

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

There are still many opportunities to serve!

November Group Work Times: Nov. 2nd evening: Cook apples at home and Nov. 3rd at 9:00 AM: Make apple butter
Nov. 7th at 5 PM: Make pet treats, Nov. 14th at 5 PM: Make sweet Breads

Items that are needed:

Cookies and candies
Hand-crafted items
Home-baked goods
Card tables
Low-Fat baked goods
Sugar-free baked goods
Gluten-free items

Workers needed:

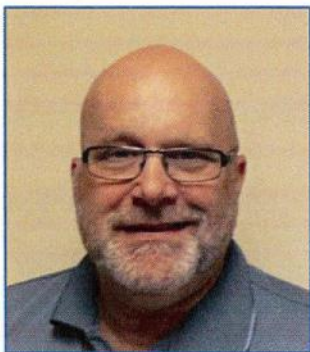
Set up tables in Nativity room Mon. Nov. 14th at 6:30 PM
Set up tables Wed. Nov. 16th after WNF
Set up booths & Nativities Thurs. Nov. 17th 9 AM
Final set up Fri., Nov. 18th 9 AM
Work at the Bazaar Friday and/or Saturday
Clean up Saturday 11:30 AM
Pack up your own Nativity sets by Sunday, Nov. 20th

Profits will be used for local missions

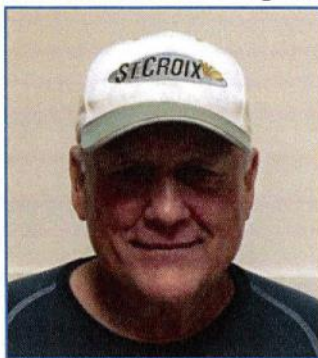
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or visit the FB event page
2016 MnM (Men &
Ministries) Night**

6th Annual MnM Night
(Men & Ministry)
Saturday, November 5th
This FREE event begins at 3 PM
Aledo United Methodist Church
301 North College Avenue Aledo, IL

Featuring these Workshop Speakers at 3 & 4 pm... (attendees may choose 2)



Rev. Mark Harris
*Pastor of Aledo
United Methodist Church*
Topic-Leading & Being Led



Bill Breeden
*Retired Teacher, Coach,
Former Mayor of Aledo*
Topic-Attitude, Character & God

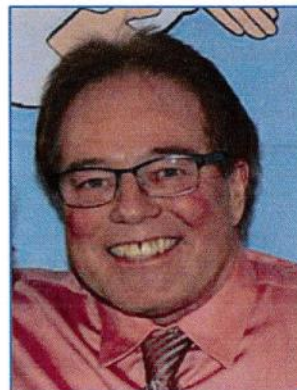


Seth Bowker
*Associate Pastor of
Aledo Baptist Church*
Topic- Stay In The Battle

Worship Service to begin at 5 PM with dinner and fellowship to follow...



Gospel Soul Revivers
Quad Cities-IL



Pastor Bob Keller
Antioch Baptist Church

There will be workshops, music, ministry, food and fellowship.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION



The Methodist Men are sponsoring a collection center for Box Tops For Education. It's easy to find Box Tops; in fact you may have some in your home right now. Clip the Box Top from your products and turn them in to our collection center, located by the elevator doors on the second floor. The men will be in contact with the Mercer County school district, then donate the Box Tops to the school groups. Box Tops are each worth 10 cents and they add up fast. The following are just some of the products that have the Box Tops for Education on them: Bisquick, Cheerios, Fiber One, Wheaties, Ziploc brand items, Green Giant canned Vegetables, Old El Paso products, Scott Brand items, Land-O-Lakes items and many others. See our collection center for more items and please help the Methodist Men help our Schools.

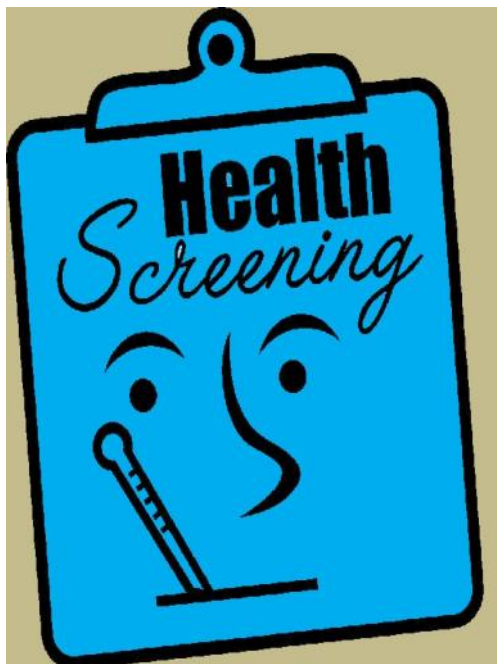
THANK YOU!

by Rev. Mark

On behalf of Joanne, Sam, Hunter, Hank and Betty, I would like to sincerely thank all of you for the amazing outpouring for Pastor Appreciation Month. We were humbled and overwhelmed by your generosity - both in the gifts you gave us and the wonderful things you said. We feel incredibly blessed to serve alongside each of you. God is doing amazing things at The Aledo United Methodist Church and we are excited and honored to be a part of it! God is good, all the time!

Midwest Mission Distribution Center Work Day

On Tuesday, November 29th, there will be a MMDC work day. Plan to leave the church around 6:30AM. **Men and women** are encouraged to participate. There are jobs for all skill levels and physical limitations. Contact Bill Breeden if you would like to join in.



Life Line Screening

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, is pleased to offer a preventive health event at Aledo United Methodist Church on 11/21/2016, 8AM to 5PM. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

11/02/1978– Dwight & Joan Reynolds
 11/03/1990– Kris & Heidi Hess
 11/06/1965– Dick & Martha Rittenhouse
 11/08/1980– Michael & Sandra McEwen
 11/18/1978– Richard & Nancy Robinson
 11/18/1956– James & Barbara Runyon
 11/19/1955– Donald & Gerry Harmon
 11/26/2006– Tim & Cathy Hay



UM Women Golden Age Birthdays

11/01- Joan Lawson
 11/21- Gladys Johnson
 11/22- Cheryl McCaw
 11/26- Maxine Riley



The deadline for the next
 Parish Visitor is
Friday, November 18
at 8am.

Please have all articles submitted
 by this date!

THOSE WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Hank & Betty Allan	Michael Harris
James Allen	Pam Heath
Brittanie & baby Lyric	Kameron/going home
April Bowlyou	Kathy Keller/health
Camden, Brody, Jacob/ family issues	Beverly Haney
Chris Camp	Dalon Helm
John & Bev Carlin	Keaton Helm
Aunt Carolyn/health	Baby Holdyn
Devan/homeless	Parker Hopkins
Jin Droste	Dora Mae Howlett
Erma Dobbins	Kelsey Huston
Brenda Dunbar	Katie
Chris Engstrom	Kimberly & Donny
Diane Engstrom	Aubrey King/cancer
Ron Engstrom	Lily King family
Paul Engwall	Allison Kuk
Sandi & Brooke Fausett	Tiffanee Lloyd
Sonja Fell	Rich Lower family
Feruz & family in Etheopia	Michael Maynard
Lyn & Don Franks	Baby Merrick/heart surgery
Alexander G	Mick Miller
Jeff & Katrina Gerber & family/lost home in fire	Joyce Mizner
Ted Granquist/cancer	Monica & Robert
Carolyn Hanson family	Bonnie Peterson
Rev Mark and family	Bill Pollock/recovery
	Bryce Rathje
	Renee Rethman/heart surgery

Dylan Reid
 Mary Rillie/health
 Ashley Schmidt
 Nick Staves/leukemia
 Officer Blake Snyder family
 Irvin Tharp/heart
 Kenny Tharp
 Marvin Tharp
 Annie Thirtyacre
 Alena Thomas/lupus
 Marilyn Wagler
 Alice Wainright
 Andy Weeks
 Bill Wilson
 Evelyn Yerkey
 Kathy Zimmerman
 Shut-ins/Nursing Home Resi-
 dents
 Military & families
 All ill/in hospitals
 Our nation & world
 AUMC members & families
 Law Enforcement & First
 Responders
 Divorce
 Hurricane victims

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



You're Invited to...the Hanging of the Greens

WHEN: Sunday, November 27th, 4PM-6:30PM

WHAT: Please join us as we prepare our hearts and church for the upcoming Holiday season. There will be fun, food and activities for the entire family. We encourage everyone, young and old, to mark your calendar and take time out of your busy schedules to be a part of something special.

WHAT ELSE: Senior High Youth and CIA will be "included" in this event!



Veteran's Day Observance

Sunday, Nov. 13th is an important day in the life of our church, our nation. Veteran's Day (November 11th), when we honor and pay tribute to the men and women among us who have valiantly served their country, will be recognized at all three worship services that day. Take time this (and every) month to thank God for those who have helped protect our freedom. Without them, and countless like them, we would not be able to come to church and worship God.



Thanksgiving

by Rev. Mark

Thursday, Nov. 24th 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, I 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.





CONNECTION COINS FOR NOVEMBER

The Connection Coins (or as Rev. Mark calls them, 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 (November 13th), the Connection Coin offering will go toward our Fellowship Café ministry. This is a ministry that reaches a LOT of people through food and fellowship and yet has NO budget. 100% of the money that you put in the cans that day will go toward helping that ministry continue to grow, thrive and reach more people in the name of God! What a GREAT way to help connect people to Jesus Christ. So bring your change on November 13th!

Fellowship Café Helpers Needed

Have you noticed all of the FELLOWSHIP going on in the Fellowship Café every Sunday morning? In fact, the room is full of people talking, laughing, sharing and just loving each other’s company before, between and after our worship services – AWE-SOME!

Three years ago a small group met and launched the Fellowship Café with the vision that we could increase hospitality at AUMC and provide the setting for true fellowship among our members and visitors. We are realizing this dream even more with the addition of the third worship service.

So with the increased usage of the Café, we are in need of additional people to join our Café team to help serve in this ministry on Sunday mornings. We need at least three people each week, either all morning or a portion of the Sunday, to prepare and serve the hot and cold beverages and a wonderful variety of delicious food. The work schedule is divided into three shifts to accommodate our workers other church obligations.



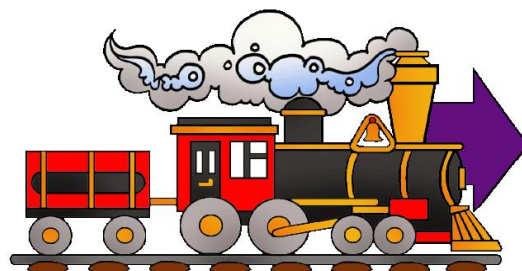
If you are able to serve in the Café once a month, please contact Debbie Swank at the church office 309-582-2169 or Ruth Dulaney at 309-738-6151 to join our team.

In addition to our Fellowship Café team, we ask for assistance from the UMW serving committees on a rotating basis. This gives all women the opportunity to serve. When you are called, please answer YES! The following serving committee members may be asking for your assistance:

Serving Committee 1	Melissa Hajostek	April, August, or December
Serving Committee 2	Martha Rittenhouse	January, May or September
Serving Committee 3	Nancy Robinson	February, June or October
Serving Committee 4	Sue Hiscocks	March, July or November

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 (see accompanying article), 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- Dunce Day, the 9th- Chaos Never Dies Day, the 10th- USMC Day, the 11th- Veteran's Day (see accompanying article), 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- Make Your Own Head Day, the 23rd- Square Dance Day, the 24th- Thanksgiving Day (see accompanying article), the 25th- Black Friday, 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!



UMW Sunday and Golden Age Luncheon

One of the best events in the life of our church is coming up on Sunday, Nov. 6th. 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 6th—mark it on your calendars and plan to attend UMW Sunday and the Golden Age Luncheon.

UMW co-presidents,

Mary Flint and Molly Joseph



C.I.A. (Caring Individual Adults) Luncheon Update

by Joanne Harris

The November meeting of CIA- aimed at senior citizens who often find themselves eating alone- will be included as a part of the all-church Hanging of the Greens on November 27th.

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.



Operation Christmas Child Update

The end date of this mission is quickly approaching and our goal is in sight. We certainly appreciate all the commitments and boxes that have come in thus far. Our current total of pledged boxes stands at 179 which is very, very encouraging.

In order for us to push even closer to the goal of 250 boxes, the Missions Committee has graciously gifted us \$350.00 to be used for the shipping and handling fees for another 50 boxes. Where will those boxes come from.....well, that's the driving force behind the **"50 Shoebox Challenge"**. We are not asking for individuals to fill and donate another 50 boxes. Instead, there will be Post-It Notes on a purple poster board in the Fellowship Café listing different items you can purchase and donate...items such as soap, washcloths, toothpaste, crayons, clothing items, etc. Just pick one or more of the notes and return those items to the church on or before November 3. Then, on that date, we are asking for 10 volunteers to join us at 6:30PM in order to pack the boxes with those donated items.

If you haven't yet packed a box or don't know if you can make the financial commitment to do so, this is a perfect way to be a part of Operation Christmas Child. You can donate items, you can help pack boxes, or you can do both. We want to give you every opportunity to help bring a smile to a child's face, to warm their heart, and to let them know that God loves them. After all, that's why we exist....to connect people....as many people as possible....to Jesus Christ!

See you at the finish line!!

Joan Reynolds and Scott Spencer



It's Flu season – Are you protected?

Mercer County Health Department is sponsoring a Flu Vaccine Clinic on Wed. Nov.2, 2016 from 4:30 – 5:45PM in the basement room next to the dining room.

This clinic is for people age 19 and older.

MCHD accepts Medicare and most insurances to cover the cost of the vaccine. * ***It is very important that you bring all insurance information with you that evening.*** The cost of the vaccine without insurance is \$28 for 19-64 years of age and \$48 for 65 and older. All people over 65 will be receiving a High-Dose flu vaccine.

Pneumonia vaccine will be available for those 65 and older and Medicare does pay for one shot after age 65. Those requesting a pneumonia shot under 65 may pay a cash price of \$92.

We urge you to take advantage of this opportunity and enjoy a delicious "free" meal also!

Sue Hiscocks, Molly Joseph



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

**Let's
Pray!**

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

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 28th, 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 !

TEA AND CONVERSATION WITH JOANNE

by Joanne Harris

From **November 15 through December 6**, Tuesdays at 2PM will look a little different at the church! That is the "normal" time slot for the Women's Bible Study I lead. But the study we are currently on ends on the 8th of November and I want to wait until after Christmas to start the next study. So for 4 weeks, I am offering Tea and Conversation! Women of the church, come for an hour and have a cup of hot tea while you share conversation with other women. There will be no specific agenda - just a chance to talk. Please plan on joining me...and



don't hesitate to bring someone with you! It would be a great way to introduce a new person to some of the women of the church. Join me on Tuesdays at 2PM, November 15 through December 6, for an hour of Tea and Conversation!

FINANCIAL MATTERS (WEEKLY NEED \$6,082)

Date	10/02/2016	10/09/2016	10/16/2016	10/23/2016
Attendance	265	264	255	279
Receipts				
(Toward Budget)	\$5,872.55	\$5,399.00	\$5,940.10	\$3,629.47



Tithes and offerings