

# Welcome

November 19



**Busy Bags for children** with crayons, books, etc. are available. Look for them by the entrance, and please return them to the rack so they can be re-stocked for next week.

**Child Care:** Child care is available for infants through 5 year-olds on Sunday mornings from 8:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. in the Nursery. We invite older children to enjoy the Busy Bags.

**Coffee Hour:** We are glad to be able to worship together today! We invite everyone to stay for coffee and fellowship in the Gathering Space after the worship service.

## NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

### If you have not yet pledged there is still time.

Pledge cards are available at the Welcome Center. You may turn your pledge in to the office or place it in the offering plate. Please remember all pledges are confidential and can be changed in the future. Thank you.

**Please join us in welcoming Rev. Kay Pratt.** Rev. Kay is a retired United Methodist Minister serving as the president of PAPA's Ministries (pastors and priests available for service) and the VIM coordinator for Jamaica for the Methodist Church of the Caribbean in the Americas. PAPA's is an Advance Special Project and can be found in our Advance catalog. She is a lifelong United Methodist who has spent her life learning from others in our denomination, not the least of these are UMWomen. Her husband, Merlin is serving as pastor at the Lincoln Community UMC in Ypsilanti where they now live. Rev. Kay spends her time between the Caribbean, her farm in south Indiana and Michigan.

**Adult Bible Study** - Join us at 10:05 a.m. in the Library as we study great Bible stories in chronological order. All are welcome.

**Adult Sunday School** in the Multipurpose Room at 10:05 a.m. - This week Rev. Kay Pratt, will be sharing about PAPA's Ministry in Jamaica. Everyone is welcome!

Everyone is invited to attend a showing of "**An Inconvenient Truth**" today at 2:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room. Free popcorn will be available!

**Thank you Mt Pleasant First UMC!** The youth and youth leaders of the Michigan Area Conference thank you for your hospitality and generosity during our first statewide youth gathering, Connection 17. Your Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall and classrooms were spirit filled places of grace for young people to experience Christian community, and connect with God. Thank you to Pastor Diane, Jennifer Lane and the staff and volunteers who made us feel welcome and cared for. We appreciate you! Bridget Nelson, Coordinator of Youth Ministry, Michigan Area United Methodist Church

**The Church Office will be closed next Thursday, November 23 & Friday, November 24** in observance of Thanksgiving.

**Christmas Outreach** - You may bring coats to church now through **next Sunday, November 26** and hang them up on the coat racks outside Fellowship Hall. Financial donations are welcome as well. Make your checks out to First UMC and put "Christmas Outreach" in the memo line.



**Thanksgiving Offerings 2017** - Our Missions Committee is asking the Congregation to monetarily support the following programs for the 2017 Thanksgiving season. Thanksgiving donation envelopes have been inserted in today's bulletin.

- **CCN Nutrition Club** - A Mission Committee member will be available at the Nutrition Club display today to answer questions and take donations for the Nutrition Club. Please make checks payable to FUMC, in the memo write CCN Nutrition Club.
- **Our Missionary Covenant**, the Groves. The donations collected for supporting the Groves will go toward the projects they oversee: PET, school education and physical buildings of the church.

**Staff Christmas Gifts** - SPRC is collecting money for Staff Christmas gifts! Now through December 3rd, we will have a table set up before the 9:00 a.m. Worship Service and between services. Our SPRC Committee members will be collecting donations. Cash only please! Let's show our staff how much we appreciate them!

**COOKIES! COOKIES! COOKIES!** The church is again hosting a warming station for the Lighted Christmas Parade, and we need cookies. Please bring homemade (if possible) cookies to the church by 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 2. Thank you!

**Christmas Poinsettias for the Altar** - The Altar Flower Committee would like to invite you to remember and/or honor a loved one by donating Christmas Poinsettias. Please complete an order form and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office with your donation of \$15.00 no later than Monday, December 10th. Order forms are available at the Welcome Center Desk.

**CMU Student Study Nights!** Coffee, snacks, WIFI and a quiet study area. Dec. 3-6, 8:00 p.m. till midnight. All Students welcome!

## Special Prayers This Week

### Worshipping at Home

Jim Baker    Wilma Blackman    Don Felisky    Candy & Dale Kohagan    Dee Pohl    Beverly Wangberg

### Sympathy

The congregation and staff offer their condolences to family & friends of Glenna Clendening who passed on Saturday, November 11.

The congregation and staff offer their condolences to Cindy & Bruce Kilmer, family & friends on the passing of Cindy's father.

### Prayers

*Caren - sister-in-law of Janet Cummings/surgery recovery*  
*Connie Jo - sister-in-law of Bill Zehnder/cancer recurrence*  
 Mariano DeLaOssa - son-in-law of Fred & Barbara Stabley/  
 undergoing cancer treatment  
 Tura Foster - daughter of Dave & Mercia Foster/health issue  
*Pam Gray - spinal compression fracture*

*Joyce - Bruce Schrock's secretary/Hospice care*  
 Bernie Kelsch - friend of Don & Paula Johnson/Hospice care  
 Bart Kjolhede - knee replacement recovery  
*Family & friends of Mike Lindsey*  
 Nancy Marshall - health issue  
*Marilyn Walton - mom of Lisa & Jeff Crawford's friend/open heart surgery recovery.*

Note: Names listed in *italics* are new on the prayer list.

### Extended Illness and Treatment

Larry Abbott - friend of David Kelley/brain cancer recovery  
 Sidney Benaske - friend of Norma Kreiner/bladder cancer  
 Hannah Boley - continued progress after 1 year  
 Carol Brannan - continued treatment & recovery  
 Deb Briggs - friend of Joyce Pridgeon/cancer  
 Mary Bushey - sister-in-law of Denise Anderson/  
 stage 4 liver cancer  
 Brother of Linda Traum - continuing health issues  
 Marvin Chudej & family - dealing with cancer  
 George Clapp - friend of Sandy Schrock/health issues  
 Gary Conant - continued healing  
 Ruth Cranz - recovering from a broken hip  
 Daughter-in-law of Jane Butcher/cancer diagnosis  
 Joan Doherty - sister of Shirley Rosan/cancer  
 AJ Eifler - stroke recovery in Mt. Pleasant  
 Darlene Finch - friend of Debbie Lawrence/health concerns  
 Debra Fountain - friend of Randy Hetherington/cancer treatment  
 Tom Gordon - continued recovery  
 Natalie Gurley - sister-in-law of Linda Traum/breast cancer treatment  
 Betty Hammond - at Medical Care Facility/new health issues  
 Jerry Headding - brother of Nancy Lewis/blood clots in lung & leg  
 Caesar Hernandez - friend of Janice Tomasik/discontinuing cancer treatment  
 High School friend of John Skinner/early onset Alzheimers  
 Rollie Hill - brother-in-law of Dave & Sharon McDonald/health concerns  
 Jennifer - sister-in-law of Randy Hetherington/cancer recurrence & brain surgery recovery  
 George Jennings - continued recovery at home

Cheryl Jose - daughter of Art Homan/continued cancer treatment  
 Karen - friend of Holly Bartolo/pancreatic cancer  
 Terri Kelly - from Debbie Lawrence/back surgery recovery  
 Mary Kleinhans - eye surgery recovery  
 Alex Kreth - brother of Melinda Kreth/healing  
 Kim - friend of Jane Martin/heart problems  
 Leah - from Marianne Smith/chronic heart condition  
 LQuinn - friend of Ralph Pitts/cancer treatment  
 Joellyn Malmquist - from Rose Benjamin/ALS  
 Marlene - friend of Cheri & Randy Recker/cancer surgery recovery & treatment  
 Everett McNally - friend of Barry & Sherry Trombly/cancer treatment  
 Wayne Lawrence - continued health issues  
 Bob Massongill - cousin of Dave McDonald/continued cancer treatment  
 Sheila Parsons - battling cancer  
 George Post - brother-in-law of Sandy Schrock/health issues  
 Stacey - friend of Marianne Smith/cancer treatments  
 Rob - cousin of Deb Skinner/cancer treatment continued success  
 Jim Terrill - cousin of Sharon McDonald/continued radiation treatment once a month  
 Julene Terrill - cousin of Sharon McDonald/cancer treatment complications with heart condition  
 Gloria Thorin - friend of Don & Paula Johnson/surgery recovery  
 Mary Ulmer - friend of Sandy Schrock/severe health issues  
 Clela Underwood - broken foot  
 Mindy VanAlstine - chemo treatments for lung cancer

### Family Members Serving in the Military

Sgt. J. D. DeLaOssa - grandson of Fred & Barbara Stabley has returned safely from Syria.

Petty Officer 3rd Class Cort Collins - grandson of Carla Starr/will depart for Basic Training in Great Lakes, IL on 12/27/2017.



#### Periscope Viewers

11/12/17	9:00 am	124	47
	11:00 am	<u>57</u>	<u>23</u>
		184	70

Loose coin offering Community Cancer Services of Isabella County for October was \$262.00.

#### WORSHIP SERVICES CAN BE SEEN ON CHANNEL 191

Traditional Worship Service: Tuesday - 7:00 pm,  
 Wednesday - 2:50 pm, & Saturday - 6:30 pm

Contemporary Worship Service:  
 Wednesday - 6:00 am, Friday - 6:30 pm & Sunday - 7:00 pm

Worship Services from the previous week can also be seen on CHANNEL 187 on Sunday only: Traditional Service at 9:00 am & Contemporary Service at 11:00 am

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