

# Welcome

December 10



**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

**Loose coin offerings** for the month of December will be donated to the Goodrow Fund.

**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** meets in the Multipurpose Room. This week we will discuss "Called to Love". In this second week of Advent, we focus on love. What did Jesus teach us about love? How are we called to respond with Christlike love to a hurting world? Where do we see acts of love in the world today? Next week we will study "The iPhone Turns Ten".

**CMU Student Study Nights begins tonight!** Coffee, snacks, WIFI and a quiet study area in Fellowship Hall. Dec. 10-13, 8:00 p.m. till midnight. All students welcome!

**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 **TOMORROW, December 11th**. Order forms are available at the Welcome Center Desk and in your bulletin.

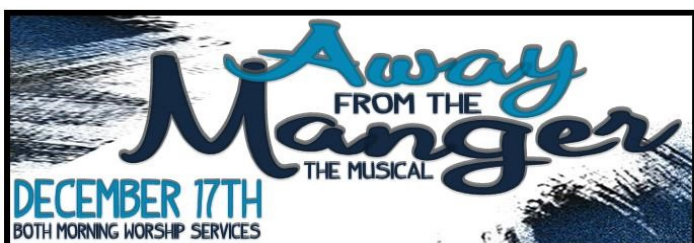
**BELL RINGING TIME AGAIN!** First UMC will be "Ringing the Bells" this Saturday, December 16, from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Kroger's. Church and Society is again asking you to volunteer just one hour of your time to help us fill all the time slots. Sign up through SignUpGenius or call Nancy Priestap (772-5541) if you have any questions or would like to volunteer.

**Fall Technology Clinic** - This Thursday evening, December 14 starting at 5:00 p.m. in the church Library. Bring your laptops, iPads, iPhones and your questions.

First UMC will host the **Rotating Homeless Shelter January 2 to 14, 2018**. We need lots of volunteers for evening hosting, evening meals, overnight shifts, morning wakeup duty, initial setup and final takedown, and laundry. Please help by volunteering on SignUpGenius, or Sundays at the Welcome Center, or by phone to the church office. A brief training session, especially recommended for new or prospective volunteers, will take place in the Chapel between services TODAY at 10:05 a.m.

**RECYCLING OPPORTUNITY** - The First UMC Green Team invites you to collect and save packaging materials for recycling! We will be gathering boxes, bubble wrap, Styrofoam and other materials that you might be getting as part of your Christmas shopping in the days after Christmas. Folks are encouraged to set them aside so we can divert them out of the waste stream and into recycling or reuse opportunities. Dates, times and storage of the materials TBD. Please prayerfully consider how you can contribute to this Creation Care project!

**Join us for a holiday classic on the big screen!** "Meet Me in St. Louis" depicts life for the Smith family in the year leading up to the 1904 World's Fair. Judy Garland stars in one of her greatest roles, and gives us "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas". Showtime is 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Wesley@CMU, on campus at the corner of Preston and Washington. Everyone is welcome to attend this free movie! Pop and popcorn are provided-feel free to bring other snacks.



## Special Prayers This Week

### Worshipping at Home

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

### Sympathy

The congregation and staff offer their condolences to Carole Baker, family & friends on the passing of her husband, Jim Baker, on December 3. A Memorial Service was held on December 8 in the Sanctuary.

The congregation and staff offer their condolences to Norm Eifler, family & friends on the passing of his wife, Ada Jean Eifler, on December 6. A Funeral was held on December 9 in the Sanctuary.

The congregation and staff offer their condolences to family & friends of Glenna Clendening who passed on Saturday, November 11. A Memorial Service will be held on December 16 in the Sanctuary at 11:00 a.m.

### Prayers

Bill Arends - friend of Partlo's/liver cancer  
*Dave - brother-in-law of Jan Shaffer/back surgery recovery*  
*Greg Dunham - son of Bill & Arlene Dunham/upcoming back surgery*  
 Tom Gordon - continued healing after surgery

*Richard Holland - friend of Herb & Janet Rice/transferred to Bay City Hospital for diabetic complications*  
*Jean Kramer & family - loss of Jean's brother, Paul Andrews*  
*Sharon McDonald - eye surgery recovery*  
 Ray Recker - father of Randy Recker/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  
 Joe Beckwith - friend of Pat Heitman/in need of liver transplant  
 Sidney Benaske - friend of Norma Kreiner/bladder cancer  
 Hannah Boley - continued progress after 1 year  
 Carol Brannan - continued treatment & recovery  
 Mary Bushey - sister-in-law of Denise Anderson/stage 4 liver cancer  
 Brother of Linda Traum - continuing health issues  
 Caren - sister-in-law of Janet Cummings/surgery recovery  
 Marvin Chudej & family - dealing with cancer  
 George Clapp - friend of Sandy Schrock/health issues  
 Gary Conant - continued healing  
 Connie Jo - sister-in-law of Bill Zehnder/cancer recurrence  
 Ruth Cranz - continued recovery at home  
 Daughter-in-law of Jane Butcher/cancer diagnosis  
 Mariano DeLaOssa - son-in-law of Fred & Barbara Stabley/undergoing cancer treatment  
 Joan Doherty - sister of Shirley Rosan/cancer  
 Darlene Finch - friend of Debbie Lawrence/health concerns  
 Debra Fountain - friend of Randy Hetherington/continued cancer treatment  
 Pam Gray - continued healing  
 Natalie Gurley - sister-in-law of Linda Traum/breast cancer treatment  
 Betty Hammond - at Medical Care Facility/new health issues  
 Jerry Heading - 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/continuing 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 - continued eye surgery recovery  
 Bart Kjolhede - continued knee replacement recovery  
 Alex Kreth - brother of Melinda Kreth/healing  
 Kim - friend of Jane Martin/heart problems  
 Leah - from Marriane Smith/chronic heart condition  
 LQuinn - friend of Ralph Pitts/cancer treatment  
 Joellyn Malmquist - from Rose Benjamin/ALS  
 Nancy Marshall - continued surgery recovery  
 Marlene - friend of Cheri & Randy Recker/cancer 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  
 Stacey - friend of Marriane Smith/cancer treatments  
 Nancy Rivard - continued healing  
 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  
 Mindy VanAlstine - chemo treatments for lung cancer  
 Marilyn Walton - mom of Lisa & Jeff Crawford's friend/open heart surgery recovery.



#### Periscope Viewers

12/03/17	9:00 am	152	72
	11:00 am	56	32
		208	104

Loose coin offering Salvation Army for November was \$200.00.

#### 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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