

Welcome

January 7

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 January will be donated to the UMCOR/Refugee Relief.

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 - will meet today in the Multipurpose Room at 10:05 a.m. This week we will study "Marking time". What are some different ways we mark time? How does our faith guide our understanding of time? Next Week we will study "Movies, Culture, and Faith".

Children's Sunday School - Family Sunday (No Sunday School) today January 7th. Beginning next week, January 14th, we'll start working on new pages for our Illustrated Bibles.

REACH Youth Group - Today, January 7th meet at 4:00 p.m. at the Jump Station, 2422 E. Broomfield Rd. Please bring \$10! We'll jump for an hour, and then load up and head to Pizza Hut, 1216 S. Mission. Pick up at 7:00 p.m. at the Pizza Hut.



Rotating Homeless Shelter January 7 to 14 - Week 2 is underway. Volunteers still needed! Please help by volunteering on SignUpGenius, at the Welcome Center, or call the Church Office at 989-773-6934.

Upcoming Walks to Emmaus, Mar. 1-4 (Men), Mar. 15-18 (Women) at St. Louis UMC. The Walk to Emmaus is a low-cost spiritual retreat giving you the opportunity to meet Jesus in a new way. The 72-hour experience is filled with laughter, singing, learning, worship, prayer and reflection. Men and women attend separate events and members of this church are available to sponsor you. For more information contact the church office and/or connect with Greg Pridgeon (989-330-1362, gregpridgeon@hotmail.com) or Jacqui Pridgeon (989-773-1885, jacqui.pridgeon@gmail.com).



UMW NEWS

2018 Dates to get on your calendars now!

- Feb. 11th - 2:00-3:45 p.m. **Valentine Tea**, for everyone! Vintage Strings Concert at 4:00 p.m.
- Feb. 24th - 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m., **Annual Women's Spiritual Growth Retreat** with Ruth Jones.
- **District Valentine Tea** will be Sat., Feb. 10th.

Kermit the Frog was Wrong. It can be easy "being Green"!

Thank you for all who brought in Styrofoam and packing materials. Volunteers took several loads to the MRF and the UPS store. We will do this collection periodically, but are done for now. There are other ways (that are not difficult) for us to be a Green church. Here are some ideas:

- Share rides to church with people who live near you or on your way.
- Remember to take your reusable shopping bags when you go to the store.
- Switch out your light bulbs; no more incandescent. Instead use CFLs or better yet, LEDs.
- Turn down the thermostat by a degree or two and wear a sweater or layers.
- Use vinegar as a cleaning agent. Natural is good.

Special Prayers This Week

Worshipping at Home

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

Sympathy

The congregation and staff offer their condolences to Marc & Connie Schroeder, family & friends on the passing of Marc's mother, Lois Schroeder, on December 24. A Funeral Service was held on Friday, December 29.

The congregation and staff offer their condolences to Don & Paula Johnson, family & friends on the passing of Don's sister, Karen Cloutier, on December 29.

The congregation and staff offer their condolences to Shirley Rosan, family & friends on the passing of her sister, Joan Doherty, on January 3.

Prayers

Misty Bennett - health issues
Dorothy Dennis - friend of Ralph Pitts/recently diagnosed with ALS
 Family & friends of Ruth Fransted
 Lori - sister-in-law of Jane Martin/car accident

Family of Sawyer Mecham - newborn daughter of Kelsey & Jacob/from Sue Rummel
Greg Merwin - surgery recovery
Family & friends of Jim Sierra - friend of Roger & Patricia Partlo
 Family & friends of Betty Tartar/sister of Mary Belle Howell

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

Extended Illness and Treatment

Larry Abbott - friend of David Kelley/brain cancer recovery
 Bill Arends - friend of Partlo's/liver cancer
 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 recovery
 Martha Brasher - mother of Joan Swirtz/surgery recovery
 Bryan - son of Karen Clark's friend/health issues
 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
 Connie Jo - sister-in-law of Bill Zehnder/cancer recurrence
 Ruth Cranz - continued recovery at home
 Dave - brother-in-law of Jan Shaffer/back surgery recovery
 Mariano DeLaOssa - son-in-law of Fred & Barbara Stabley/undergoing cancer treatment
 Greg Dunham - son of Bill & Arlene Dunham/recovery after successful back surgery
 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
 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/continuing health concerns

Richard Holland - friend of Herb & Janet Rice/continued health issues
 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
 Alex Kreth - brother of Melinda Kreth/healing
 Kim - friend of Jane Martin/heart problems
 Wayne Lawrence - continued health issues
 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/continued cancer treatments
 Everett McNally - friend of Barry & Sherry Trombly/cancer treatment
 Bob Massongill - cousin of Dave McDonald/continued cancer treatment
 Sheila Parsons - battling cancer
 Ray Recker - father of Randy Recker/continued healing from open heart surgery
 Rob - cousin of Deb Skinner/cancer treatment continued success
 Stacey - friend of Marianne Smith/cancer treatments
 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 with complications
 Mindy VanAlstine - chemo treatments for lung cancer



Worship Attendance

Periscope Viewers

12/31/17	9:00 am	100	35
	11:00 am	<u>33</u>	<u>19</u>
		133	54

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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