

Welcome

January 21

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.

Curt Jensen will be providing emergency coverage while Pastor Diane is on vacation, January 24-30 (517-425-1606).

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 "Mass Incarceration". Recent reports say that the United States has the largest prison population in the world and that the number of incarcerated people has risen 500 percent since 1985. What are the reasons behind this rise? How does our faith inform our response to mass incarceration?

All young families are invited to a Valentine's Party on Saturday, February 3 in Fellowship Hall from 10:00 a.m.-noon. Light refreshments, games, crafts and activities!

Coming Soon – Journey 101: Loving God

Pastor Diane will be leading the second study in the three part series. We will begin February 1, meeting six Thursdays at 6 p.m. at Church in the Library. You need not have participated in part 1. If you want to understand more about what it means to love God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength, consider joining this class. Books will be available at the first session for \$9. We hope that everyone will also be up for the Spiritual Gifts study during Lent (Feb. 18 – Mar. 25).

A Lenten Spiritual Gifts Study - "Serving from the Heart, Finding Your Gifts and Talents for Service" will begin Sunday afternoons, February 18 - March 25 from 4:00 -5:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall led by Carole Baker. Various other days and times of those weeks will be led by small group study leaders (all details to be announced as they are confirmed). Sign up today in the Foyer or call the Church Office (payment of \$15.00 may be made after the books have arrived).

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).



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UMW NEWS

Mary Martha Circle will meet Monday, January 22 at 1:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room. The program will be "Conversation for a Way Forward" led by Linda Darrow. All women are invited to attend.

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. in Fellowship Hall. **Annual Women's Spiritual Growth Retreat**, Wisdom from the Wackiest of Bible Women with Ruth Jones.
- **District Valentine Tea** will be Sat., Feb. 10th.



Special Prayers This Week

Worshipping at Home

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

Prayers

Lila Childs - mother of Dianne Young/heart issues
 Family & friends of Al Fleury - stepfather of Tina Rudoni
 Gerri Huntoon - Jeff Crawford's aunt/health issues & surgery recovery
 Jo Jennings - eye surgery recovery
 Lynn & Blake Marr/ recovery from car accident

Randy Martin - recovery after surgery & treatments
 Millie - neighbor of Linda Doerr/health issues
People on the west coast affect by fires & mud slides
 Lois Sandbrook - sister of Janet Rice/health issues
 Ann Smith - recovering from a fall in Florida
 Bernard Smith - husband of Joann Smith/surgery recovery

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

Extended Illness and Treatment

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
 Misty Bennett - health issues
 Hannah Boley - back to work ☺
 Carol Brannan - continued 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
 Dorothy Dennis - friend of Ralph Pitts/recently diagnosed with ALS
 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/Alzheimers diagnosis
 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
 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/continuing cancer treatments
 Everett McNally - friend of Barry & Sherry Trombly/cancer treatment
 Bob Massongill - cousin of Dave McDonald/continued cancer treatment
 Greg Merwin - surgery recovery
 Lori - sister-in-law of Jane Martin/car accident
 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 - awaiting test results from cancer treatments

Family Members Serving in the Military

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

Please help us keep the prayer concerns updated by calling the church office with up to date information about your prayer requests. Thank you.



Worship Attendance

Periscope Viewers

1/14/18	9:00 am	138	65
	11:00 am	34	33
		172	98

Loose coin offering Goodrow fund for December was \$389.00.

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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