

Welcome

March 11

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 March will be donated to Habitat for Humanity.

Today is UMCOR Sunday - Your offering pays administrative expenses for UMCOR allowing support for ministries of food, shelter, health and peace. Please use the UMCOR Sunday envelope inserted in your bulletin, and make your check out to First United Methodist Church.

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 "Welcoming People with Disabilities". One in five people in the United States lives with some form of disability. What barriers can prevent people with disabilities from fully participating in church life? How can churches welcome people with disabilities and partner with them in ministry? Next week we will study "Infrastructure".



Join the students & leaders of REACH as we extend our good will and welcome to the CMU students living in Campbell Hall. We've made "Welcome Back" posters, and we're hoping you'll consider bringing your smile and homemade cookies. **We'll meet at Campbell Hall at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 11.**

Mary Elizabeth and Everett B. Sproul Scholarship - The applicant awarded this scholarship receives a minimum scholarship of \$1,000 for one academic year. The scholarship is open to members of Mt. Pleasant First United Methodist Church and their immediate families, students who are active in the CMU Wesley, and any students who actively participate in the ministries (i.e. choir) of Mt. Pleasant First UMC. The recipient shall be a college or university Junior, Senior or graduate student during the upcoming academic year. Recipients may reapply for a one year renewal. While financial need will be considered, it will not receive high priority. If you have further questions, please call 888-451-1929 or email info@umfmichigan.org. **Application deadline is March 31, 2018.**

EASTER EGG HUNT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Thursday, March 15, 1:00 PM, Fellowship Hall - **Stuffing Eggs**
- Friday, March 16, 1:00 PM, Fellowship Hall - **Hiding Eggs**
- Saturday, March 17, 10:00 - 1:00 - **Event!**

Please check out Sign-up Genius for many fun volunteer opportunities!

Mark your calendars for the 16th Annual Keep Making Peace event - Saturday, April 14, 2018 from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at University United Methodist Church (1120 South Harrison Road, East Lansing). Register at msuwesley.org/kmp2018 or pay at the event. Early-Bird Registration (includes lunch), is \$30 per person or \$75 per carload of 3 or more.

Save The Date - Saturday, April 21, 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at Midland First UMC, District 3 will meet to elect leadership, begin choosing our name, etc. As of July 1, the Heartland District will no longer exist.

A BIG thank you to everyone who provided truck space and helped move ALL the boxes of Kitchen Cupboard items from our basement to the Non-profit Center on Monday. A great example of many hands make the job go much faster. Kitchen Cupboard Ministry Volunteers

Butterflies in Bloom! Join the Young Family Small Group (families with children 5th grade and younger) as we visit the butterflies at Dow Gardens, Friday, March 30. For additional information please contact Renee Sternaman 989-506-2912 or the Church Office.

UMW NEWS

The United Methodist Women of St. Louis First UMC cordially invite all women of Mt. Pleasant First UMC to the **Annual Gratiot County Area Lenten Breakfast** on Wednesday, March 21 at 9:30 a.m. The program will be a musical presentation by "Three Ladies with a Beat". A free will offering will be taken to benefit Commission on Aging. Please RSVP by Tuesday, March 13, to the St. Louis UMC office at 989-681-3220. Carpools will leave the Church parking lot at 8:45 a.m.

Special Prayers This Week

Worshiping at Home

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

Prayers

Connor - grandson of Jack Harris/continued healing
 Bill Donahue - father of Lisa Sheffert/safe travel
 Marilyn Erickson - health concerns

Denise Gallagher-healing at the Laurel's
Margaret (Cole) Gau - friend of Norma Kreiner/lung cancer
 Joyce - mother-in-law of Lura Way/health issues & testing
John L. Smith - successful surgery & good prognosis

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

Extended Illness and Treatment

Loren Anderson - continued heart surgery recovery at home
 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
 Carol Brannan - continued recovery
 Mary Bushey - sister-in-law of Denise Anderson/stage 4 liver cancer
 Lila Childs - mother of Dianne Young/heart issues
 Marvin Chudej & family - dealing with cancer
 Connie Jo - sister-in-law of Bill Zehnder/cancer recurrence
 Ruth Cranz - at Maplewood
 Jim Crawford - cousin of Jeff Crawford/succumbing to cancer
 Dave - brother-in-law of Jan Shaffer/back surgery recovery
 Mariano DeLaOssa - son-in-law of Fred & Barbara Stabley/recovery setback after treatments completed
 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
 Sarah Gilbert - friend of Deb Skinner/continued treatments
 Natalie Gurley - sister-in-law of Linda Traum/breast cancer treatment
 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
 Gerri Huntoon - Jeff Crawford's aunt/health issues
 Glenn - from Nancy Lewis/health issues

Jennifer - sister-in-law of Randy Hetherington/continued cancer treatments
 George Jennings - surgery recovery
 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 Marriane Smith/chronic heart condition
 Bob Lippert - friend of Don & Paula Johnson/health issues
 LQuinn - friend of Ralph Pitts/cancer treatment
 Joellyn Malmquist - from Rose Benjamin/ALS
 Marlene - friend of Cheri & Randy Recker/complications from cancer treatments
 Nancy Marshall - continued healing
 Randy Martin - continued treatments
 Everett McNally - friend of Barry & Sherry Trombly/cancer treatment
 Michelle - friend of Amy Heminger/complications from chemo treatments
 Millie - neighbor of Linda Doerr/health issues
 Lori - sister-in-law of Jane Martin/car accident
 Chrissy Nothstine - daughter-in-law of Tom & Marja/pregnancy difficulties
 Sheila Parsons - battling cancer
 Owen - 3 month old recovering from heart surgery
 Ray Recker - father of Randy Recker/continued healing
 Rob - cousin of Deb Skinner/cancer treatment continued success
 Lois Sandbrook - sister of Janet Rice/health issues
 Bernard Smith - husband of Joann Smith/health issues
 Stacey - friend of Marriane Smith/cancer treatments
 Julene Terrill - cousin of Sharon McDonald/daily radiation treatments
 Mindy VanAlstine - continued healing

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

3/4/18	9:00 am	106	45
	11:00 am	<u>36</u>	<u>52</u>
		142	97

Loose coin offering to AIM for February
 was \$144.50.

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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