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Grace United Methodist
Church Newsletter
November 2018

The November 2018 Newsletter of Grace United Methodist Church

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Annual Church Conference and Election of Leaders

We will be gathering for a Covered Dish Meal on Sunday, **Nov. 4th**, following the 10:30 am Worship Service. You are welcome to bring whatever dish you would like. Our Annual Church Conference and Election of Leaders will begin after lunch.

WOF Pumpkin Rolls ~ Women of Faith are taking orders for Pumpkin Rolls.

You can find an order form by the front entrance. Money and orders are due by

Nov. 11th . Pick up for rolls is Sunday, **Nov. 18th**. Please stop by the table today or call the church office at 717-692-2838.



**Harvest Home Sunday
is November 18th.**

We will be collecting canned goods (vegetables, fruit, beans, and soups) ; Dry goods (noodles, rice, pasta, flour, sugar, and Mac & Cheese) ; Peanut Butter; Jelly; Boxed Cereal; and bottles of juice (apple, cranberry, grape, orange, etc). All food will be distributed through Hearts of Grace to folks and families in need. Please place your items around the altar anytime after **Nov. 4th**.





November Prayer Breakfast

will be held **Tuesday, Nov. 6th** at First UMC New Life Center, 346 Center Street Millersburg. The ladies from St. Christopher Lutheran Church in Lykens are in charge of the program. A voluntary monetary offering will be received for Believe in Blessings Thrift Shop, Elizabethtown. Breakfast is \$8.00. Doors open at 8:00 a.m. Please make your reservations by calling the New Life Center (717) 692-2719.



Thank You

We would like to Thank our church family for all of the care and support that we have received during the loss of our son, Brian Goodling.

Sincerely,
Beth & Tom Nestler

Scripture Readers ~ Are you interested in reading scripture during the 10:30 service? If so, please contact **Debb Bowman** at **(717) 877-5761** to have your name added to the list. The hope is to have all the changes in place by the end of November, so please talk to her by then. Thank you all for your generous support of this ministry.



Mark your calendars !!!

Our last Fish Fry of the season will be
Friday, Nov. 9th, from 4 - 7pm.

Please let Karen Lentz know (717) 692- 4340 if you are able to help in any way, or to provide pie(s) for dessert.

Thank you for your support of this annual fundraiser.



CARE PACKAGES

We will be sending
Holiday care packages to
our college students and
service personnel on
Tuesday, Nov. 13th

If you know of someone who is not on the following list, please contact the church office with their names and addresses as soon as possible. We currently have 8 College Students: Taylor Fite, Morgan Paul, Hannah Hubler, Abby Scheib, Ryan Scheib, Masen Bellis, Samuel Scheib, Brandon Donmoyer and Karleen Bell. Suggested items include : snack packs, crackers, homemade goodies, ramen noodles, beef jerky, slim jims, hard candies, , granola/protein bars, mac-n-cheese, and gas cards.

Those serving in the Military include: Patrick Cooper, Adam Deitrich, Andre Wood, and Matthew Snyder.

Some items suggested to send to service members :

Aspirin, baby wipes, baseball caps, batteries, beef jerky, slim jims, books, mints, cd's, dental floss, deodorant, dry soup, foot powder, gum, Kleenex, mouthwash, lip balm, socks, hot chocolate packets, Q-tips, handheld games, lotion, newspapers, popcorn, protein bars, sunglasses, pen, paper, envelopes, and eye drops.



Please deposit items in the collection boxes
at the display in the Social Hall.

You can also support this project with a monetary gift.
Just mark your giving envelope "Care Packages".

If you can help please see Lisa Van Olden or Brian Cooper.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

November 4, 2018 ~ Youth Group 6-8pm

Note that beginning in November, Jr. & Sr. High youth groups will share a combined time slot.

Lessons will be split by ages on most nights.

November 9, 2018 ~ Fish Fry Friday, 4-8pm

Youth help needed

November 11, 2018 ~ Youth Group 6-8pm

normal youth night schedule

November 16, 2018 ~ 4:30 pm -11:30 pm -

Hershey Bears Hockey Game, Faith night. Only 25 tickets available , so sign up soon :) Cost is \$10 per youth. We will have pizza at the church prior to the game. Any souvenir or extra food at the game will be at own expense.

November 18, 2018 ~ Youth Group 6-8pm

normal youth night schedule

November 25, 2018 ~ Youth Group 6-8pm -

normal youth night schedule - Game Show theme lesson



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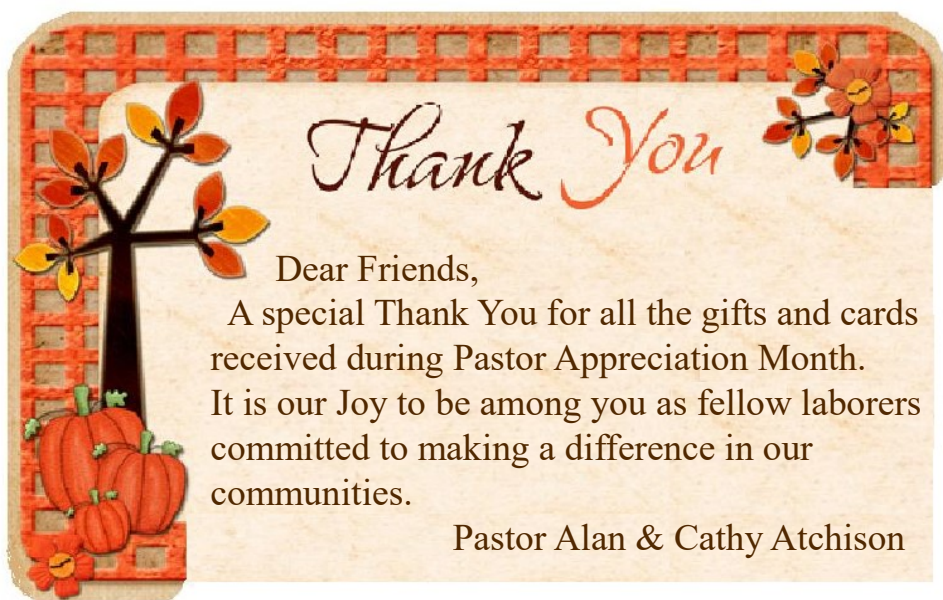


LAUGHING IN THE DARK

"AN INSPIRING STORY OF FAITH AND ENDURANCE FOR ALL WOMEN"

KIRK CAMERON

The movie ***"Laughing in the Dark"*** will be shown in the Sanctuary at 7:30 pm on Friday, Nov. 9th, following the Fish Fry. It's a movie that you won't want to miss. Why not Invite a friend to dinner and a movie out?



Fellowship Time ~ We are looking for some folks to donate some homemade goodies for fellowship time. Please consider signing up for a Sunday. The list is by the front entrance. Thank you.



CHILDCARE VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Infant/Toddler Room

8:30 am

Nov. 4 Nicole Hooper
Nov. 11 Nicole Hooper
Nov. 18 Nicole Hooper
Nov. 25 Jayne Harman

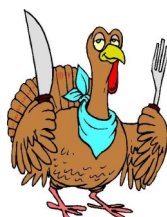
10:30 am

Sarah McALanis
Kelsey DeWees
Kristin Snyder
Shannon Vallier

Grace UMC's Annual Christmas Dinner...

... can't happen without YOU. We are in need of donations of 20lb or larger Turkeys. If you are willing to donate please contact **Deanna Bellis at (717)692-3540.**

Weis Markets is selling turkeys for \$.25 per pound if you redeem 100 points. Giant is giving them free with 400 points. We also need help to set up, to prepare the meal on Sunday, Dec. 23rd, and to help clean up after the meal. See the sign-up sheet in the church entryway. Thank You !



Chicken Pot Pie All You Can Eat

**Saturday, November 17, 2018
4:00 - 7:00 pm**

Hosted by Grace UMC - at the Family Life Center
Benefits the Millersburg Pool

Adults - \$10.00

Children 5 to 10 - \$5.00

Questions? Call Kathy Weiss @ 717-395-7971

Choice of chow-chow, red beets, pepper slaw, hot lettuce or applesauce and roll, dessert and drink

Take Out Available



It's Shoebox Time !!!

On the table in the social hall you will find empty OCC red & green shoeboxes. Take this opportunity to pack a shoebox and help children around the world experience the love of Jesus Christ. A brochure in each box will explain what you need to know. Many of the children receiving shoeboxes have never received a gift. Can you imagine the impact of letting a child know that you care about them and that Jesus loves them?



Pack a shoebox. Change A Life.

**National Collection Week is
November 12-19th**

For More information, or to print a tracking label, go to
www.updates@e.samaritan.org

Please bring your completed boxes to the church by Sunday, Nov. 19th

We need your help during collection and packing times :

Monday, November 12th - 1:00-4:00 pm
Tuesday, November 13th - 9:00-11:00 am
Wednesday, November 14th - 6:00-8:00 pm
Thursday, November 15th - 11:00-1:00 pm
Friday, November 16th - 6:00-8:00 pm
Saturday, November 17th - 8:30-10:30 am
Sunday, November 18th - 12 Noon - 2:00 pm

See John Orr, Diane Tobias, or Cathy Atchison for more information.

November Birthdays

Nov. 1 Jane Hubler
Janyce Van Sickle
Nov. 2 Faith Zehring
Nov. 3 Logan Brosius

Nov. 4 Makayla Haines
Scott Hill
Rachel Kessler
Mitchell Phillips

Nov. 6 Jason Dreibelbis
Keira Fulkroad

Nov. 7 Roger Carl

Nov. 10 Jill Davis
Scott Myers

Nov. 11 Jacob DeWees
Jamie Paul

Nov. 12 Christopher Teats

Nov. 13 Thomas DeWees
Courtney Peiffer
Isabella Petroff

Nov. 14 Scott Hill II

Nov. 15 Hayden Bellis
Kami Nestler

Nov. 18 Rick Miller
Ethan Prouse
Tim Travitz

Nov. 19 Brian Hoch

Nov. 20 Ken Rudisill

Nov. 22 Tammy Schade

Nov. 23 Diane Tobias
Alex Uhler
Carole Fetterhoff
Rick Osman

Nov. 24 Melissa Green
James Mauser
Nicole Witmer

Nov. 26 Patricia Hoffman

Nov. 28 Trish Herb
Kirby Tobias
Patricia Wiebner

Nov. 30 Kamryn Long
Dawn Leer

***HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR
80 Plus Members:***

*Joanne Chubb 11/17
Truman Troutman 11/21*



Happy Anniversary

Scott & Cindy Teats
Eric & Tiffany Fite
Jameson & Carissa Shaffer
Jim & Pat Hoffman
Morgan & Christopher Hooper
James & Nancy Coyle
John & Heidi Mantzouranis
Jason & Laura Dreibelbis
Albert & Lisa Van Olden
Larry & Deanna Bellis



Mission Update for November

Shut-In Visitation Schedule

Please don't forget our shut-ins . There is a list hanging by the front entrance.

Nov 18, 2018 Harvest Home Sunday

You are invited to bring food items to be displayed at the Altar , and later distributed by Hearts of Grace in the monthly food boxes to the needy in our community.

Next Missions meeting November 29, 2018 @ 6:30 pm.





DECORATING for Christmas

We will be decorating the church on **Monday, Nov. 19th** at 4:00 P.M. A light meal will be served at 5:30. Please come and join us for a fun time of fellowship.

Even if you can't come for the whole time, we can use your help. There are many different types of jobs that range from sitting to arranging and climbing ladders. It takes about 25 people to complete the decorating in a timely manner.

Please sign the sheet in the front entrance, or call Karen Travitz at 717-418-1561 to volunteer.



BECAUSE OF
Bethlehem

You're invited to join us this
Advent Season.

Beginning Sunday, Nov. 25th, you are invited to gather in the Family Life Center beginning at 9:25 am for a time of journeying together through this church-wide study centered on the season of Advent.

Stop by the social hall for some light refreshments (fruit, baked goods, drinks, etc.) before joining other members of our church family at round tables for a weekly video by Max Lucado, and time of discussion.

Study guides will be provided to record your thoughts and realizations that *Because of Bethlehem*, we no longer need to bear the marks of our sin, and we are free to live in His grace! Long after the season ends, God's promises of His presence with us (and His Spirit at work in us) remain. Make plans to join us for this amazing learning and growing experience!

Christmas Poinsettia Orders

Last Day to order is November 25th

\$9.00 each

Check One

Burgundy ☐

Red ☐

Pink ☐

White ☐

Total \$ _____

Your Name

Check One

In Memory of ☐

In Honor of ☐

A Gift to Missions In Lieu of a Poinsettia
Deadline to give to Missions is December 09



In Lieu of a Poinsettia

My Gift is

\$ _____

Your Name

In Memory of ☐ In Honor of ☐



Join us for this year's
Christmas Musical

"ALL YEAR LONG"

**Dec. 16th, 2018
10:30am and 4:00pm**

"Christmas"....the very word brings cherished memories of fresh baked cookies, tinsel and colored lights, beautifully wrapped presents, and a silent holy night. But for Helen, whose world has been turned upside-down this past year with the loss of her husband, it's been hard to find "anything" to celebrate.

And then, in the midst of a quiet winters night, the comforting, healing power of the Christmas Story comes alive for her in a fresh new way, giving her the assurance that because of the birth of our Savior, she has everything she really needs.

From the manger to the cross, we have reason to Rejoice!! Join us as we Celebrate God's Amazing Grace and Endless Love for all of us this Christmasand All Year Long!

**8th ANNUAL GRACE UMC
INDOOR YARD SALE**

**Friday, January 11, 2019
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, January 12, 2019
8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**



Set-up will be Thursday, Jan. 10th. There is no fee for tables, but 10% of all sales is requested to be donated to Grace UMC to help cover the expenses of the event.

Please call Kori Bell 717-692-2955 to reserve your spot.

We almost had a full house last year.

Don't wait...it will be here before you know it!

This is a good time to evaluate where you are in your giving, compared to where you sense God is calling you to be.

WEEKLY INCOME	BEYOND A TITHE		TITHE	UPPER RANGE GIVING			MIDDLE RANGE GIVING			LOWER RANGE GIVING		
	15%	12%		9%	8%	7%	6%	5%	4%	3%	2%	1%
\$ 200	30.00	24.00	20.00	18.00	16.00	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	4.00	2.00
\$ 300	45.00	36.00	30.00	27.00	24.00	21.00	18.00	15.00	12.00	9.00	6.00	3.00
\$ 400	60.00	48.00	40.00	36.00	32.00	28.00	24.00	20.00	16.00	12.00	8.00	4.00
\$ 500	75.00	60.00	50.00	45.00	40.00	35.00	30.00	25.00	20.00	15.00	10.00	5.00
\$ 600	90.00	72.00	60.00	54.00	48.00	42.00	36.00	30.00	24.00	18.00	12.00	6.00
\$ 700	105.00	84.00	70.00	63.00	56.00	49.00	42.00	35.00	28.00	21.00	14.00	7.00
\$ 800	120.00	96.00	80.00	72.00	64.00	56.00	48.00	40.00	32.00	24.00	16.00	8.00
\$ 900	135.00	108.00	90.00	81.00	72.00	63.00	54.00	45.00	36.00	27.00	18.00	9.00
\$1,000	150.00	120.00	100.00	90.00	80.00	70.00	60.00	50.00	40.00	30.00	20.00	10.00
\$1,100	165.00	132.00	110.00	99.00	88.00	77.00	66.00	55.00	44.00	33.00	22.00	11.00
\$2,000	300.00	240.00	200.00	180.00	160.00	140.00	120.00	100.00	80.00	60.00	40.00	20.00
\$3,000	450.00	360.00	300.00	270.00	240.00	210.00	180.00	150.00	120.00	90.00	60.00	30.00

1. Find where YOU are on the chart (your weekly income/giving).
2. Move one block to the left to determine what GROW ONE % would be for you.



Empty Shelves Abound

As we are approaching the Holiday Season, Hearts of Grace is receiving more requests for monthly food boxes. Our shelves are running low, and we are in need of the following items:

Canned vegetables and soups, pasta, spaghetti sauce, cake mixes and icing, peanut butter, jelly, Stove top stuffing, pancake mix, pancake syrup , cereal, and brownie mix.

We have placed the red grocery carts in the lobby, family life Center, and the back lobby areas. If you are not sure if an item is suitable, please contact one of the following: Becky Witmer, Janine Boyer, Deb Goudy, Beth Spicher, John Ramberger, Carol or Terry Uhler, or Deb Bowman. The Hearts of Grace committee is grateful for every donation - both monetary and food items - that help feed families in our community.

PROPOSED MISSION GOALS FOR 2019

Our Goal for 2019 is to continue our benevolent giving to **AT LEAST 10%** of our church budget.

We will continue to encourage your participation in missions and outreach through our Faith Promise Giving, with any commitment shortfall being met through our General Fund.

1. We are committed to paying our UM Shares of Ministry in Full for 2019, of which the Benevolence portion is \$11,071, or \$ 922.58 /mo.

The Benevolence portion supports the ministries of the Susquehanna Conference, both home and abroad, including United Methodist Missionaries serving through the General Board of Global Ministries; Africa University; the United Methodist Home for Children in Mechanicsburg, PA; Iglesias Stevens Emmanuel Church, Harrisburg; The Neighborhood Center, Harrisburg; and Harrisburg Uptown United Methodist Ministries.

2. We also envision continuing support for the following ministries:

Global Ministry and Outreach:

\$1,500 - Sylvia Webb, Indian Mobile Mission, Arizona
\$1,500 - Jennifer Cook, Missionary in Honduras through TMCI
\$1,200 - John and Rachael Biddle, Campus Crusade
\$1,000 - Don and Chrissy Chubb, New Tribes Mission
\$1,000 - Rev. Glen Osborn, President, China Outreach Ministries
\$ 600 - Phoebe Hoyle, China Outreach Ministries, George Mason University

Local Ministry and Outreach:

\$ 1,000 - Pat Nissel - Harrisburg Street Ministry

3. We have committed our continuing support of each of the monthly mission projects:

Jan - \$ 350 - Bethesda Mission, Harrisburg
Feb - \$ 350 - McCurdy School, Espanola, New Mexico
Mar - \$ 350 - Red Bird Mission, Kentucky
Apr - \$ 350 - Endless Mountains Mission Center
May - \$ 350 - Highland Park Camp Fund

Jun - \$ 350 - Camp Smiles at Grace, Upper Dauphin County
July – \$ 350 - Enright's Pastor School and Day Care, Africa
Aug – \$ 350 - Lifeline Pregnancy Center
Sep – \$ 350 - Operation Christmas Child
Oct – \$ 350 – Mission Central
Nov – \$ 350 - Grace Church Community Needs Funds
Dec – \$ 350 – to be determined

4. We are committed to continue to support various agencies and services, including:
 - a. Premier at Susquehanna Care Facility - requests for holiday gifts as suggested by the residents and facility staff.
 - b. The United Methodist Children's Home in Mechanicsburg with donations;
 - c. Mission Central with our volunteer labor and donations;
 - d. Lifeline Pregnancy Care Center with donations and baby care items;
 - e. Operation Christmas Child with shoeboxes and donations;
 - f. Church World Services with warm blankets through our Blanket Drive Sunday.
5. We are committed to providing food and services for those in our community thru:
 - a. The Hearts of Grace monthly food distribution
 - b. The JFY Backpack Program
 - c. The Community Needs Fund.
6. We will continue to encourage our children, youth, and adults to live a life grounded in mission, by:
 - a. seeking to provide opportunities for our Grace Action Team to participate in "hands on" mission work locally;
 - b. suggesting correspondence (Christmas cards, notes, letters, etc.) with our missionary representatives.
 - c. providing opportunities to give to "special collections" throughout the year.

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