

UMCL News & Notes ~ October 25, 2015

FOOD DRIVE! Today is the final day to drop off food items for Libertyville Township Food Pantry: Canned corned beef hash, Canned salmon, Coffee, Powdered milk, Skin lotion, and Tea bags. Thanks for your support!

SIGN UP TODAY FOR TRICK OR TRUNK! This Saturday, **October 31, 2:30—4:00 PM**, children up to 5th grade can dress up and come to the church for crafts, games and 'trick or trunking'! Older youth and adults can join the fun by volunteering to work with a station OR by bringing your own vehicle and decorating the trunk (not too scary, please)! Kids will vote on their favorite trunks and top winners will get prizes! To participate, volunteer, or decorate a trunk, **please sign up by October 30** online at www.umcl.org/trick_or_trunk. **Trick or Trunk's Mission** this year is to collect new or gently used children's books for Bernie's Book Bank. Our goal is to collect over 100 books and the entire congregation is welcome to participate.

GIVING IN GRATITUDE! Join us on **Sunday, November 1**, as we kick off our fall Stewardship Campaign, "Giving in Gratitude." Throughout November, we will be celebrating the many gifts and blessings in our lives and church and consider our grateful response to God's goodness. **Our month of Gratitude will culminate just before Thanksgiving with Celebration Sunday on November 22, featuring Tours of our new Sanctuary and Community Room!** Please join us as we give glory to God and rejoice together!

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ends next Sunday, November 1. Set your clocks back!

PRIME TIME will meet on **Monday, November 2, at Noon** for a Potluck Lunch! Jim Grace will present the program—"If I Take A Tour (or Travels With Zelda)". Please RSVP to the office (info@umcl.org or 847-362-2112) by Friday, October 30, 10:00 AM.

NOVEMBER FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS will meet **Friday, November 6, at 6:30 PM** at Jess and Melissa Michmerhuizen's (1907 Darnell Street, Libertyville). We will be ordering pizza and making lunches for PADS, followed by dessert and drinks. Please RSVP by November 3 to Melissa (octoberhoneybee@yahoo.com, 847-668-1713). Lunch supplies will be purchased, donations toward the cost will be accepted.

VINE AND CHEESE is a social gathering hosted in someone's home and a great way for us (the church) to get together, connect, and partake in shared provisions. Save the date: **Saturday, November 21, 7:00 PM**. Sign up by emailing Ben (ben.hallett@umcl.org) or find a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall. Bring 1 cheese tray/appetizer OR 1 dessert that will serve 4-6 people. Please also bring 1 bottle of wine per person, and your own wine glass.

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP—Come for a night of gratitude, worship, and pie on **Tuesday, November 24, at 7:00 PM**. We'll gather for a short 45-minute time of testimony and singing, meant to nudge our hearts toward greater gratitude this Thanksgiving and coming Advent season. And, of course, who isn't grateful for pie? There will be much pie to follow. Come sing, smell, and taste!

ASP 2016 (Appalachian Service Project) is scheduled for **June 11-18**. ASP is a service project for high school youth and adult leaders focused on improving homes of Appalachia residents in need and deepening Christian faith. Anyone (adults and youth—incoming freshman in fall 2016 or older) is eligible to participate. We have space for 42 people, so sign up now to reserve your spot! Details/sign-up: Steve Neil (sbneil@comcast.net or 224-475-8701).

CHURCH CONFERENCE SCHEDULED! Save **Wednesday, November 11, 7:00 PM** for our Church Conference, the annual meeting in which we celebrate our ministry, elect officers and committees, and look to the future. All are welcome to attend! (Reports are due Nov. 3.)

CHRISTMAS PARTNER ANGELS will be offered at church on **November 15 & 29**. The Blessing of the Gifts will take place on **Sunday, December 6**, and the gifts will be delivered during the following week. We will also have angels for residents of The Haven and are suggesting a gift card from a store like Target, Kohl's, or Walmart, for these families, so the Moms could choose items that their children want or need.

PADS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Although our Saturday night PADS is housed at First Presbyterian Church during construction, many volunteers are still needed (especially overnight and clean-up shifts) as well as groups or families who would be willing to bring in dinners on the 2nd or 4th Saturdays of the month. Contact Cathy O'Brien at 847-367-8062 or cobrien1021@hotmail.com to find out how you can help! Thank you!!

UMCL Calendar

Sunday, October 25, 2015

8:00 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
8:15 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
9:00 AM—Cherub Choir
9:30 AM—Traditional Worship Service
(Nursery care available for ages 0-3.5 years)
9:30 AM—B.I.G. Time (Believers In God / Children's Sunday School; room 206)
9:30 AM—Youth & Adult Sunday School
10:30 AM—Coffee Time
10:40 AM—God's Soul Girls
11:00 AM—Contemporary Worship Service
(Nursery care available for ages 0-3.5 years)
11:00 AM—Kids' Own Worship (room 201)
11:00 AM—New Member Class
3:30 PM—Troop #72
4:00 PM—Confirmation
4:00 PM—"Sunday to Monday" Class
4:30 PM—Joyful Noise & Choristers
6:30 PM—SrHI TIDE

Monday, October 26, 2015

7:00 PM—Inquirers' Study
7:00 PM—Young & Board (off site)
7:00 PM—Troop #72

Tuesday, October 27, 2015

9:30 AM—Women's Spiritual Growth
12:00 & 7:30 PM—Living Free/AA
6:30 PM—Building Committee
7:00 PM—Faithful Threads (off site)

Wednesday, October 28, 2015

9:15 AM—Staff Meeting
9:45 AM—Lectio Divina
1:00 PM—Timothy Bible Study
5:30 PM—All Stars
7:00 PM—JrHI TIDE
7:00 PM—Heritage Bells

Thursday, October 29, 2015

12:00 PM—Living Free/AA
6:30 PM—Financial Peace University
7:00 PM—Disciple 4
7:30 PM—Adult Choir
7:30 PM—Praise Band (off site)

Friday, October 30, 2015

~ No Scheduled Activities ~

Saturday, October 31, 2015

8:00 AM—Men's Study
9:00 AM—United Methodist Men
2:30 PM—Trick or Trunk
5:00 PM—PADS (off site)

Sunday, November 1, 2015

8:00 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
8:15 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
9:00 AM—Cherub Choir
9:30 AM—Traditional Worship Service
(Nursery care available for ages 0-3.5 years)
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4:00 PM—"Sunday to Monday" Class
4:30 PM—Joyful Noise & Choristers
6:30 PM—SrHI TIDE

Monday, November 2, 2015

12:00 PM—Prime Time
5:45 PM—Daisy Girl Scouts
7:00 PM—Inquirers' Study
7:00 PM—Young & Board (off site)
7:00 PM—Troop #72

Tuesday, November 3, 2015

9:30 AM—Women's Spiritual Growth
12:00 & 7:30 PM—Living Free/AA
7:00 PM—Nominations Committee

Wednesday, November 4, 2015

8:45 AM—MEMOS
9:15 AM—Staff Meeting
9:45 AM—Lectio Divina
1:00 PM—Timothy Bible Study
7:00 PM—JrHI TIDE
7:00 PM—Heritage Bells
7:00 PM—BSA District Committee

Thursday, November 5, 2015

12:00 PM—Living Free/AA
6:30 PM—Financial Peace University
7:00 PM—Disciple 4
7:30 PM—Adult Choir
7:30 PM—Praise Band (off site)

Friday, November 6, 2015

6:30 PM—First Friday Friends (off site)

Saturday, November 7, 2015

8:00 AM—Men's Study
5:00 PM—PADS (off site)



The United Methodist Church
of Libertyville
October 25, 2015
9:30 & 11:00 AM

The Season of Pentecost

Today's Scripture Passage


They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

— Mark 10:46-52



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Traditional Service ~ 9:30 am



Greetings & Announcements

We welcome you to our service today and invite you to greet each other with words of grace and peace. May God's blessing be upon us all as we worship together in spirit and truth. Thank you for passing the attendance pads at this time.

Prelude "I Will Arise and Go to Jesus" M. Hayes

* Call to Worship

Leader We are the community of faith that has been created by the love of God.

People **We are the people who have been set free by the word of forgiveness in Jesus Christ.**

Leader We have come to celebrate God's mercy and grace.

People **We have come to share our gifts and give thanks for all that we have received.**

All **With all our being, we will praise you, O God, and tell of all your kindness toward us. Amen.**

* **Opening Hymn** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" No. 139

Unison Prayer

Compassionate God, we thank you that you have come to us in Jesus Christ calling us to yourself. Help us to open our hearts to you today, to invite your Spirit to move among us and bring healing and new life, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Musical Response "Lord, Have Mercy" No. 482
Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

First Scripture Reading Psalm 34:1-8 Bettylou Miller

Children's Special Music "70 x 7" from "Here For the Gold," Smith Choristers

Sharing our Joys and Concerns** Rev. Dr. Stephen C. Williams

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

* **Hymn** "There's A Wideness in God's Mercy" No. 121

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

** Please consider completing a "Joys and Concerns" card and placing it in the box at the back of the Fellowship Hall. The Pastors and Prayer Team will use the cards to guide weekly prayer. Thank you.

Second Scripture Reading Mark 10:46-52

Sermon "Mercy" Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

Offering / Offertory Anthem "To God Be Joyful" W. A. Mozart
Adult Choir

* Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 94

* Prayer of Dedication

* **Closing Hymn** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" No. 140

* Pastoral Benediction

Postlude "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" B. Nix



A Warm Welcome to All!

We are so glad you have chosen to share with us in worship this morning! If you are visiting for the first time, please stop by the Welcome Table at the entrance to Fellowship Hall to pick up a Visitor Packet and meet our Welcoming Ministries Coordinator, Joyce Bedell (Joyce.Bedell@umcl.org), for more information about our church family. All are invited to stay after the service for coffee, refreshments, and community sharing. We look forward to meeting you!

Many thanks to the following people for helping with our service this morning!

Sound Tech: John Brockman

October Ushers: Jane Aten, John Aten, Jay Hazlett, Bill Vanni

Coffee Time: Please join us for coffee and refreshments between services, hosted by Jan Grigsby.

Contemporary Service ~ 11:00 am



Gathering Into Worship

Greeting

* **Opening Song** "My Lighthouse" Rend Collective

Prayer (please be seated) Ben Hallett

Song "Til I See You" J. Gillies

Announcements

Community

Congregational Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Song Special "Please Be My Strength" Gungor
Praise Band

Message & Scripture Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams
"Mercy" ~ Mark 10:46-52

Offering

Prayer

* **Closing Song** "Alive" A. Pappas

Scattering into the World



Worship Team: David Bedell, Woody Bedell, Ben Hallett, Jacqueline Hallett, Heidi Nelson, Tom Seibert, Tim Tonon, Jennifer Whittington

Multimedia Coordinators: Connor Clausen, Mark and Janet Mason

Children are welcome in worship. We enjoy having kids with us in worship but there is also a special program for them called *Kids Own Worship* that meets in room 201 during the service. Nursery care is available for infants and toddlers in Room 100.

Thank you for completing the registration sheet that is passed around (including email) so we can keep you informed on news of the church.

* Those who are able are invited to stand.