



## United Methodist Church of Libertyville

Our Mission Is To Glorify God By

Lifting Up Christ, Using Our Gifts, Ministering To All

# MINI-MEMOS

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**STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN**—*Gratitude and Generosity*. Join us throughout the month of November for our Gratitude and Generosity Stewardship Campaign. Throughout that time, we will be celebrating the many gifts and blessings in our lives and our church and consider our grateful response to God's goodness. Our month of Gratitude will culminate just before Thanksgiving with Celebration Sunday on November 20th, when we receive and consecrate our commitments to the Church for 2017. Please join us as we give glory to God and rejoice together! Thank You.

**STEPHEN MINISTRY COMMISSIONING** —On **November 13**, at the **9:30** service, our congregation will commission our new Stephen Ministers. These newly trained Stephen Ministers have responded to God's call to be part of our congregation's Stephen Ministry. As we commission our Stephen Ministers, let us thank God for all that they will bring to this congregation in providing care to others. We welcome Kathy Locke who is returning to serve as a Stephen Leader. God is bountiful in His gifts.

**ALL STARS**—All 3rd, 4th and 5th graders are invited to All-Stars! There will be only one meeting this month on **Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7:00 pm** in **Fellowship Hall**. We will have dinner together, play games and learn about New Testament Bible Heroes! Dinner is provided (suggested donation of \$3). Friends are always welcome!

**GRACE CIRCLE REVIVAL FIRST DINNER** —Come join the women of Grace Circle for food and fellowship. We will meet on **Wednesday, November 9 at 6:00 PM** at Ristorante Bottai in Libertyville. Contact Michelle Michmerhuizen at [octoberhoneybee@yahoo.com](mailto:octoberhoneybee@yahoo.com) for more info.

**FAITH CIRCLE**—We will meet on **Thursday, November 10 at 9:30 AM**. We will be joined by Shawn Schneider, real estate agent, as she shares tips on buying and selling your home. Childcare is provided. Contact Andrea West at 847-356-3846 or [adwest5@yahoo.com](mailto:adwest5@yahoo.com) with questions.

**PANAMA PIE HELPERS NEEDED**—We are looking for helpers to make pies on **Saturday, November 12**. We will start at **8:30 AM** and usually finish by 4 PM Any time that you can help will be appreciated. Just bring your favorite paring knife and apples!! Questions? Contact Becky Traut at 847-367-0295.

**CHRISTMAS PARTNER ANGELS**—Names will be given out this year on **Sundays, November 13 and 20**. You will be able to choose to purchase a gift card or buy gifts for Children. Gift cards this year will go to the Harbor, Eddie Washington Center and the Haven. We will have Humboldt Park children and Emmanuel Children and San Pablo. Gifts will be blessed on December 11 and taken to the various places during that week and on the 17<sup>th</sup>.

**PRISCILLA CIRCLE**—We will be meeting on **Tuesday, November 15 at 9:30 AM** in Fellowship Hall. Terri Neil will give us a program on Artisans of Ghana. Terri has recently been to Ghana and works with artisans there and helps sell their products. We will have refreshments. Hope to see you there! Questions, call Shirley Mason at 847-362-0523.

**RUTH CIRCLE**—We will gather at the church **7:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 16** to clean the kitchen. No cleaning supplies are needed. Bring your own rubber gloves. Please join us for a night of fellowship and fun! Any questions, please call Julie Garren 847-816-7340 or Sue Hamilton 847-362-7972. "Many hands make light work".

**PANAMA BAKE SALE**—Our annual bake sale will be held **Sunday, November 20** to raise funds for education. We will have our delicious apple pies and would appreciate any donations of baked goods. Please label as to contents and package in small amounts, such as 4 cookies or brownies per package. Any questions, please call Becky Traut at 847-367-0295.

**THANKSGIVING TOGETHERNESS**—Join us for a special night of thanksgiving togetherness! **Tuesday, November 22** we will host our annual Thanksgiving Worship service in the Sanctuary with pies a'plenty to follow! **Worship @ 7:00. Pies @ ATE!**

**HELPING HANDS**—Next pickup will be **Saturday, December 3**. We are in need of family room, dining room and bedroom furniture that is in very good condition. We are also in need of other household items for the kitchen and bathroom. Please call John McNally at 847-401-5504 to arrange pickup.

The **6TH ANNUAL UMW ADVENT TEA** will be held on **Sunday, December 4** in the Fellowship Hall at **3:00 PM**. This event is open to any woman in the church age 5 and older. Individuals beautifully decorate tables with a theme. This year's theme is "At the Manger". This is a wonderful afternoon to take time out of the busyness of the season, relax and celebrate the holiday season. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for children 5-14 and will be sold at 10:30 on November 13 and 20<sup>th</sup>. For further information please contact Mickey Donahue (847-367-4906 or [missmickey2005@gmail.com](mailto:missmickey2005@gmail.com)).

**PRIME TIME**—We will meet on **Monday, December 5 at NOON** for our lunch (\$5) and annual White Elephant Exchange. Wrap up that item around the house you no longer want or the gift you received last December! Where else can you give a gift that cost you zero \$, receive an interesting gift in return and socialize with friends. Please RSVP to the church office by 10 AM, Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup> (847-362-2112 or [info@umcl.org](mailto:info@umcl.org)).

**BLUE CHRISTMAS** is a service of remembrance for those suffering with pain, loss, isolation and grief in the holiday season. By offering this service, we acknowledge the struggles that we face while providing a safe place of peace where you can just be, and rest in a quiet place for your soul. Service is on **Tuesday, December 13, 7:00 pm** in the Sanctuary. We invite you to join us for this service. Please contact Mary Spooner (847-548-3703), Kevin Garren (847-816-7340), Kathy Locke (847-816-6841) or the Pastors for more information.

**LIVE NATIVITY STARS**—The church is looking for children and youth (3<sup>rd</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade) to be stars on our stage! Some characters have speaking parts while other's just put on their best smile and act. If anyone is interested in being a part of this Christmas event contact Amanda Seibert at the church office to sign-up!

**LIVE NATIVITY HELP**—The church is looking for people to help with our annual Live Nativity production on **December 18**. If anyone is interested in helping with directing, set design, lighting, sound or the children's choir please contact Amanda.

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**EVERY SUNDAY IN NOVEMBER**

8:00AM—Cornerstone

8:15 AM—Explorer

9:00 AM—Choristers

9:00 AM—Coffee Time

9:30 AM—Journey of Faith

9:30 AM—Traditional Worship Service

9:30 AM—B.I.G. Time

10:30 AM—Cherubs

10:30 AM—Joyful Noise

11:00 AM—Contemporary Worship

11:00 AM—Kids Own Worship

4:00 PM—Confirmation

4:00 PM—Radical Justice

6:30 PM—Sr. High Tide

**CALENDAR ADDITIONS, CANCELLATIONS, & RESCHEDULED MEETINGS**

Please note the following changes to the calendar that was published in the latest memos. The November MEMOS can be downloaded at anytime by going to our website at: [www.umcl.org/memos](http://www.umcl.org/memos). You can also look at all events on our web calendar at: [www.umcl.org/calendar](http://www.umcl.org/calendar).

6:30PM—Tuesday, November 15

Nominating Meeting

7:00PM—Wednesday, November 16

Resource Committee

4:00PM—Sunday, November 27

“From Holiday to Holy Days” Class

7:00PM—Tuesday, November 29

SPRC Committee

7:00PM—Wednesday, November 30

Nominating Meeting

—Tuesdays

No Covenant Bible Study

**CHRISTMAS TREE SALE**—Come support the annual Troop 72 Boy Scout, and UMCL Men’s Christmas Tree sale. Beautiful fresh trees from Wisconsin will be available in a variety of sizes. Proceeds from the sale help support our scout troop and also provide funds to support local and global ministries through the UMCL Men’s group. Able-bodied UMCL men are needed to fill volunteer time slots. The sale runs daily starting **Friday, November 25 thru Sunday, December 19** with the following hours: Saturdays: 9 AM—9 PM, Sundays: 12 PM—8 PM, Monday-Friday: 6 PM—9 PM \* Exception: Friday, November 25th (day after Thanksgiving), we will be open 9 AM—9 PM. Please contact Larry Corrigan ([lcorrigan@medline.com](mailto:lcorrigan@medline.com)) if you can help.

**PADS STILL NEEDS MORE VOLUNTEERS**—We currently need a few people willing to work 3 or 4 Saturdays (yes, that's all) during that entire season as site managers. What does that mean? A site manager arrives at 6 PM and stays until 11 PM. He/she supervises the other volunteers (could be 6-10) who serve dinner, hand out clothing, answer questions, and turn lights out at 10. **We also need overnight clean-up people desperately (5:30 AM –7:15 AM)**. Sign up book is in the Community Room or call Cathy O'Brien 847-367-8062 to volunteer. Thank you!!

**THANK YOU** from the Outreach Committee to all who contributed food during October to help replenish the shelves at the Libertyville Township Food Pantry. We collected a total of 172 non-perishable food items and household supplies. Included were: canned beans, canned beef hash, canned sardines, powdered milk, skin lotion, tea bags, and various other miscellaneous items. The guests at the food pantry will benefit greatly from your generosity. Thank you for helping to show God’s love to those in need in our community.

**POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS**—Please keep an eye open for information to order poinsettias for the sanctuary. Order forms will be available in the bulletin, online, and in the office in the next couple of weeks.

**SECURITY / STOCK DONATIONS AT YEAR-END**—For those considering security/stock contributions, a copy of the Church security contribution procedure and the other forms are available from the Finance office or can be emailed to you on request. To assure that all security contributions are processed in 2016 and correctly reflected on your annual contribution statement, we recommend that electronic security/stock transfers be initiated by December 9, 2016. Please also be certain to notify the Finance Office when you have initiated the stock transfer so that we know of your donation. If you need further information or have questions, please contact Ruth Ross (847-362-2112) or via email ([ruth.ross@umcl.org](mailto:ruth.ross@umcl.org)).

**INQUIRERS STUDY GROUP** —Join our group on Monday nights at 7:00 for the Advent study: Finding Bethlehem in the Midst of Bedlam. Christmas or confusion...Bethlehem or bedlam? We don’t have to choose. This 5 week study is about how Christ breaks into our chaos and confusion and brings Christmas. Meeting dates: Nov. 14, 28, Dec. 5, 12, and 19. Books are \$10.00. For more information, please contact Mary Ann Burson at [bookwormburson@att.net](mailto:bookwormburson@att.net) or 847-270-0633.

**FROM HOLIDAYS TO HOLY DAYS** – based on the book by Albert Holtz. \*Friday mornings during Advent at Spring Meadows (led by Karen Kuhlman) \* Sunday afternoons at 4:00 pm (led by Kathy Locke) – Nov 27 & Dec 11, 18 Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm (led by Jim Stewart) – Dec 1, 8, 15, 22 \*

**CHRIST IN THE CHAOS** – Advent class created & led by Kara Lehnhardt Sunday mornings at 10:30 am, December 4, 11, & 18.