



United Methodist Herald

November 2022



Caron Park Footbridge
Rice County, Minnesota

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November Worship

November 6

All Saints Sunday

Celebration of Holy Communion

II Kings 2:1-14

Rev. Rachel McIver Morey

November 13

Zechariah 8:1-8

Rev. Jerad Morey

November 20

Charge Conference Sunday

Rev. Cynthia Williams, District Superintendent

Advent Series: Hope in the Dark

November 27

Isaiah 2:1-5

Rev. Rachel McIver Morey



NUMC WELCOME STATEMENT

We affirm that all people are created in the image of God and, as beloved children of God, all are worthy of God's love and grace, regardless of their sexual orientation, gender identity, family status, race, ethnicity, physical or mental ability, socio-economic status, or age. We unreservedly support and affirm the full inclusion of persons of all sexual orientations and gender identities in all facets of ministry at Northfield UMC, including ordination and marriage. Following Christ's example, we open our hearts, minds, and doors to welcome all who come to us in God's grace.

FINANCE UPDATE

How to make tithes and offerings

You can make your tithes and offerings a few different ways:

1. Make automatic donations from your bank account. Contact northfieldumc@gmail.com for a form.
2. Donate online using a credit card, by clicking on the GiveMN tab on the church website northfieldumc.org.
3. Drop a check in the offering basket during in person worship.
4. Mail a check to: Northfield United Methodist Church
1401 S. Maple St., Northfield, MN 55057

Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving!

Electronic giving offers convenience for individual congregation members and provides much needed donation consistency for our congregation. Please consider electronic giving.

Authorization forms are available on our website northfieldumc.org or by emailing northfieldumc@gmail.com.

General Fund September 2022 contributions \$15,031.66
General Fund September 2021 contributions \$20,511.66

General Fund YTD 2022 contributions \$249,506.40
General Fund YTD 2021 contributions \$265,639.94

NUMC Board

The governing body of the church is the NUMC Board. The members of the board are duly elected at an annual meeting, or "Charge Conference," open to all membership. Share any concerns with the NUMC Board here: info@northfieldumc.org

Co-Chairs: Kevin Dahle and Pierce Follansbee-Delong

Treasurer: John Stull

Secretary and Communications: Carolyn Seas

SPRC Liaison: Jody Friedow

Stewardship and Finance Liaison: Tim Goodwin

At-Large Members: Sara Newberg, Jessy Hoffer, Allie Lyman, Warren Winkelman, Bruce Benson, David Wolf, Bruce Dalgaard

CHARGE CONFERENCE

Following worship - November 20th

To be held in the sanctuary.

Rev. Cynthia Williams, District Superintendent, presiding

Agenda: Approve 2023 budget and compensation; Receive ministry, facilities, and retired clergy reports.

The Church Office will be closed Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th in observance of Thanksgiving.

There will be no Super Wednesday meal or programming Wednesday, November 23rd.

Hanging of the Greens
6:30 pm
Wednesday, November 30th
NUMC Sanctuary



Message from the Pastor

The Missional Church Consultation Initiative (MCCI) process that NUMC started in 2019 birthed a number of new things that are still developing (see the NUMC Board article in this issue regarding our efforts to recruit host homes for youth in need of stable housing in Northfield for one example!). The pandemic certainly interrupted our progress, but it has been encouraging coming back into this program year seeing some of the seeds planted begin growing. It is important to remember that our time horizon is decidedly human, and the divine time horizon is broader than what our eyes can see right in front of us at any given moment.

One of the single most valuable pieces to come from the MCCI process, in my estimation, was how we talk about stewardship and money.

For years, we had done what many churches do: come November, we would put together a letter or other package with testimonials, highlighting a few budget items, and asking folks to fill out an estimate of giving or pledge card. Nothing wrong with this, mind you, but as we learned from our MCCI coaches, we had the whole idea backwards on giving and budgets. We were treating it as something to sell, a program to support or a product to market - as though the gospel and the work of God could be packaged for commercial consumption!

What the financial leadership of the church learned, then, was that the truth will set us free: it isn't anyone's job to sell God. The request for an estimate of giving or pledge card really isn't terribly related to our budget process at all; rather, it is an annual opportunity for each of us individually to pray and wrestle with God and God's call on the whole of our lives - our time, our talents, and our treasures.

What, then, is God calling me to offer? Where is God calling me

to put my time, treasure, and talent?

I am not here to sell you anything any given Sunday - neither are Rev. Jerad or Rev. Todd or any of our other preachers. Our work from the pulpit is to eavesdrop on Scripture, and listen in for how God spoke and showed up in the human story in ages past, and to share that with you all and to consider what that might ask of us and the ministries we develop. Our Super Wednesday crew isn't here to sell you a meal on Wednesday evenings - their work is to feed the body the same way we aim to feed the soul on Sunday mornings.

The church is not a vendor of religious goods and services. The church is the body of Christ, living the life of Christ, dying the death of Christ, and rising up in the resurrection of Christ - again and again and again.

The month of November begins with All Saints Sunday, and it's an occasion for us to give thanks to God for all who came before us, shaping us and this particular community of faith through ministries at Northfield United Methodist Church. These ministries have taken different shapes in different eras, both reflecting and refracting the needs and realities of the community around us.

It is our turn now.

What, then, is God calling you to offer? Where is God calling you to put your time, treasure, and talent?

No flashy program or slick brochure here: such things are anxious efforts to make the work of the church a palatable and predictable product rather than the wild wind of the Spirit blowing in and through this community of faith. The church offers no brand promises or product guarantees.

It does offer a gathering of broken, blessed, torn, and talented people sorting out God's call together.

I'm in. I hope you are too.

Blessings, Rachel



Northfield United Methodist Church Worship. Compassion. Devotion. Justice. 2023 Estimate of Giving Return Form

Name: _____

Phone: _____

**Northfield UMC General Operating Fund
Estimate of giving for 2022:**

\$ _____/month

OR

\$ _____/quarterly

OR

\$ _____/year

**Thank you for your prayerful
consideration of what God is calling you to do
with what you have been given.**

**Please cut along dotted line,
fill out and mail by December 15th
to the church office:
1401 S. Maple St.,
Northfield, MN 55057**

**Note: If you are making a change to your
current electronic deduction amount you will
need to fill out a new authorization form with
the church office.**

Teenage homelessness: A program NUMC can tackle!

After lengthy study and discussion, the NUMC Leadership Board recently adopted a goal to support homeless teens as one of its signature ministries.

What will it take? Just five households. That's the number of homes needed to provide short-term housing for local teens facing housing insecurity, according to staff of the **Northfield Wallflower Project**. Could your home be among them?



The Wallflower Project originated when staff at the Northfield Key youth center noticed that some kids did not have a place to go at the end of the day. The program matches homeless youth with Northfield families who agree to provide housing to teens until long-term solutions can be secured.

Northfield UMC members answer the call

A number of NUMC members have served as hosts through the program, and two of them sat down in an interview to share their experiences.

Tim and Tracy Goodwin provided housing this past summer to a teen who had become estranged from his family. He had been couch surfing with friends for some time until he ran out of options. “We were aware of our privilege, and we felt we could offer a spare room”, said Tracy. The sole commitment of hosts is to provide a room and meals so youth can make headway in other areas of their lives. Tim and Tracy found the Wallflower staff accommodating of their schedules, providing respite care during out-of-town vacations.

John Stull and Ann Richards have hosted three Wallflower teens over recent years. The most significant experience was hosting a teen who stayed with them for several months. “When he came to us, he had been living outside and had suffered frostbite”, said John.

Both families felt they learned a lot about the significant challenges of housing insecurity especially during the formative teen years. Though the only obligation of hosts is to provide housing, the youth often benefit from observing stable family situations and learning basic life management skills. Ann described how important it was to show that arguments could be managed and resolved without escalating into major conflicts. “There’s a reason these kids are homeless”, said Ann. “You can’t just say that the parent’s dropped the ball or the kids dropped the ball. The situations are much more complicated”.

When asked whether there is a down-side of serving as hosts, both families acknowledged that there are challenges. Having an extra person in the house takes effort. Ann put that into perspective, however, noting that any houseguest, even friends and family, require effort when sharing a space together.

Could you be a Wallflower host?

What advice do these families offer for those considering opening their homes? “Do it! You won’t know what it’s like unless you try”, said Ann. Wallflower hosts can set limits on their commitment, in fact a primary need is providing short-term respite care for hosts who need a weekend off. “If we could get more families involved, it would be easier on the families providing longer stays”, said Tracy.

Ann suggested that people of all ages are needed. “I think it would be great to see more older adults in the program. I felt that we served in a grandparent role to our guests which helped open conversations in a different way. On the other hand, participation of younger families would provide exposure to alternative ways that families live together, and that could also be valuable”.

NUMC Commitment to local teens

Could yours be one of the five households to close this gap? We invite you to prayerfully consider your capacity to serve our local teens and eradicate teen homelessness from our community, especially with the brutal winter months upon us. If you would like to explore this opportunity please contact info@northfieldumc.org

Mark your calendars! Need any info on the ministries below?

email us at info@northfieldumc.org

Sundays:

Children's Church (5th grade and under)

Younger children are dismissed from the sanctuary at 10am to a worship service of their own, followed by fun and fellowship in the gym.

Sunday Youth Connect (6th-12th grade) 10:30am

Older youth are invited to their own time for fellowship and conversation in the high school room.

Wednesdays:

KC3 (K-5th grade) 3:30-5:30pm

Join the fun after school at NUMC! Time to play, time to pray, time to learn and lead - children from Spring Creek Elementary are walked across the street, and students from other schools in the Northfield School District can ride the "church bus."

(NOTE: because of busing, registration in advance is required for KC3. Register at northfieldumc.org).

Super Wednesday Meal - Free Will Donation, Fellowship Hall 5:30-6:30pm

Youth Fellowship (6th-12th grade) 6:30-8pm

Older youth will gather for fun and faith development in the high school room after the Super Wednesday meal.

SALT Thanksgiving Food Drive October 26-November 9th

Our Serving and Learning Team is sponsoring a food drive for the first week of November - bring your non-perishable items in anytime before **November 9th** and leave them at the CAC Food Shelf box by the south entrance to the NUMC campus - we will offer a blessing of all items on Super Wednesday, November 9th!

Bonfire night on November 2, 6:30pm 6th-12th

Brrrr....It's getting chilly. Let's sit around a fire, eat s'mores, and have a good time!

Bowling Night on November 16, 6:30pm 6-12th

Join us immediately after supper. We'll carpool from the church to Flaherty's

9th & 10th Grade Confirmation, November 13th

Meet for the 9:30am church service and class afterward.

Blessing of Pre-K and 3rd Grade Bibles, 9:30am Sunday, November 20th (during worship)

If you have a student who was pre-k through 3rd grade starting in 2020 and did not get a Bible contact:

info@northfieldumc.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Christmas Pageant December 14th

We will begin preparation for the NUMC Christmas pageant on November 30th. Email us at info@northfieldumc.org to learn how to volunteer or how your child can participate!

Note: There will be no Super Wednesday November 23 (Thanksgiving week), and December 21, 28, and January 4.

Dismantling Racism Team (DRT)

NOVEMBER IS U.S. NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

The following is excerpted from an [online resource](#) offered by [R-Squared](#), a project of the General Commission on Religion and Race, and written by The Rev. David Wilson.

11 Facts about Native People in Society and the Church

1. *We are a diverse people.* There are over 570 federally recognized tribes across the United States, along with 61 state-recognized tribes.
2. *We are not a mascot.* Such mascots are degrading and false representations of who Native people are.
3. *There are many names for Indigenous peoples in the United States and around the world.* There is no specific term that is suitable for all.
4. *Not all U.S. Native/Indigenous persons live on reservations.* Less than 30 percent of all American Indians and Alaska Natives live on reservations.
5. *Our regalia and dances have sacred and spiritual meaning.* Wearing indigenous regalia as costumes is cultural appropriation.
6. *Native Americans serve in the U.S. military at the highest rate of any ethnic group.* Native veterans have served with distinction in every major conflict for over 200 years.
7. *Native Americans as United Methodist leaders date back to the early 19th century.* The first Native American District Superintendent was the Rev. Samuel Checote, a Muscogee, who was appointed in 1868 after he was relocated to Indian Territory in the 1820s.
8. *Indigenous persons have made significant contributions to the world's culture.* The constitution of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy was used as a model for the Articles of Confederation, later incorporated into the U.S. Constitution.
9. *Indigenous persons play a vital and important role in the life of The United Methodist church.* There are 157 Native American United Methodist congregations in the U.S.
10. *Tipis are not the typical housing for modern U.S. Indigenous people.* Today, tipis are used mostly in ceremonies and cultural gatherings, and the majority of tribal people have never lived in tipis.
11. *Indigenous persons are the only racial-ethnic group that must constantly "prove" who we are.* To gain U.S. federal-government recognition and protection, Native Americans must document their racial identity.

For the full article and many more resources, visit www.r2hub.org.



Democracy works best if all citizens participate; let's all do our part right now by voting in the mid-term elections.

Before election day, if you find out that someone is having trouble getting registered to vote or doesn't have the proper ID., help them get in touch with an agency that can give them assistance. Is there a neighbor or friend who might need a ride to the polls? Take time to ask them, even on election day itself, and then take them yourself or find them a ride.

If you haven't cast your vote already by sure to do so by the time the polls close on November 8th. And then pause and give thanks for the privilege we have to choose the leaders of our democratic republic. Pray that the counting process goes smoothly and election results are accepted as valid.

As the votes are tallied and the results announced, make a commitment to continue your involvement in democracy-making to achieve racial and economic justice for all Minnesotans. Add your voice to others in communicating with the leaders we have selected. You can prepare to do that by staying informed and evaluating important potential legislation or administrative actions.

The ISIAIAH-NUMC Team is one avenue for learning and acting. We invite you to join our group, one that rarely meets. Instead, we act as individuals after receiving information from ISIAIAH-MN and NUMC-ISIAIAH through emails asking for action such as contacting your state legislator or the governor to express your perspective, or writing a letter to the editor, or promote the specified justice action or even to testify at city council or state legislative committee meetings. To join our ISIAIAH-NUMC Team, contact Evelyn Burry (507-645-7481, evelynburry@hotmail.com.)



Notes from the Parish Nurse

November is **National Hospice and Palliative Care Month**. In 2022 the theme is “Meeting you where you are.” Hospice care and palliative care each focus on the needs of a person to ensure the best quality of life for that individual. Anyone with a serious illness can receive either type of care. There are similarities and differences between these two types of care, which help determine the best care for a particular individual.



“Hospice care focuses on quality of life when a cure is no longer possible, or the burdens of treatment outweigh the benefits.” (www.nhpco.org) A person can be enrolled in hospice if a physician thinks that individual has less than six months to live. And care can be continued as long as necessary with extensions commonly happening.

While in hospice a person cannot receive curative treatment for a specific illness, but can receive medications that enhance quality of life, by managing symptoms and pain. Other treatments include emotional support, coaching for caregivers, grief support, therapies (OT, PT, and speech), respite care, and short-term inpatient care. Complementary treatments, including massage; music, art and aroma therapy; acupuncture; and healing touch, can also be used.

Hospice care can be given in a home setting, assisted living apartment, skilled nursing facility, long-term care center, or hospice facility. The care is given by a team which includes physicians, nurses, chaplains, home health aides, social workers, volunteers, and specialized therapists. At home day-to-day care is usually given by family, friends, or paid home health aides. Medicare, Medicaid, or private insurance are the usual ways hospice care is paid for.

Palliative care is “focused on providing relief from symptoms and stress of a serious illness. The goal is to improve the quality of life for both the patient and the family.” (www.getpalliativecare.org) It is appropriate care for any person of any age and at any stage of a serious illness. Unlike hospice care, with palliative care a person can continue to receive treatments to try to cure the illness. These include surgery, radiation, dialysis, and chemotherapy. Some of the illnesses treated with palliative care are cancer, congestive heart failure, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, chronic kidney disease, dementia, Parkinson’s, and ALS (Lou Gehrig’s disease). Improved quality of life occurs by treating the following disease symptoms, pain, depression, shortness of breath, fatigue, constipation, nausea, loss of appetite, difficulty sleeping, and anxiety, with standard medical treatment or complementary treatments. Palliative care is usually paid for by Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance, or the Veterans Administration.

Palliative care is “an interdisciplinary medical caregiving approach aimed at optimizing quality of life and mitigating suffering among people with serious complex illness. (Wikipedia) This type of care can be given in a private home, hospital room, assisted living apartment, skilled nursing facility, or outpatient clinic by specially trained physicians, nurses, social workers, nutritionists, and chaplains. The care giving can be ongoing for as long as it is needed.

In conclusion, hospice care and palliative care are very similar in many respects. Both care for individuals with serious illnesses to help improve their quality of life. Care is based on the person’s needs and not on the course of an illness. Both help to relieve symptoms and pain and address emotional and spiritual needs of the individual. The big difference between the two types of care is that in hospice a person must have less than six months to live and cannot seek any curative treatment.



www.nhpco.org

www.nia.nih.gov

www.getpalliativecare.org

MICAH NEWS

Methodists Investing in Care and Action for the Holy Land - Based on Micah 6:8

“What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God.” - Micah 6:8

See below this distressing letter from a prominent Christian grandmother in the Holy Land that was sent on October 18th. This news is especially concerning to MICAH and those of us who care about our Bethlehem family who are living in this increasingly violent and terrifying environment. Please keep our Bethlehem family in your prayers – every day.

Holy Land: Letter from 89 year-old grandmother

Oct 18th, 2022

Dear Friends - In the early hours of this morning the Israeli occupation forces, consisting of a troop of around 12 persons consisting of army and secret service, stormed my son's house after breaking the gate at the entrance of the compound in which we all live, so as to arrest his younger son Shadi Khoury, a sixteen-year-old child, a student at the Quakers Friends School in Ramallah. They beat him until he was bleeding all over the room and along the path on the way out of the house dragging him barefoot and blindfolded not allowing the parents to see where the blood was coming from. Shadi was taken to the interrogation section in the police compound called "the Russian compound".

Shadi, a child, is being "interrogated" without the presence of his parents or a lawyer, a tactic used systematically to terrorize children into submission, and ultimately using their own words to incriminate them.

Shadi is a case among so many Palestinian children that are being harassed, tortured and imprisoned for no reason other than being a Palestinian seeking to live in dignity and freedom in their own country.

As an 89-year-old grandmother who has lived through the Nakba, the 1967 war, the first and second intifadas, I continue to ask you my friends: "Until when will this grave injustice go on?" Because you care for human rights, and the rights of children, I am asking you to take action now and contact your parliament or congress representative, to put an end to these grave injustices especially against our children as well as our whole population living under a brutal military occupation. Shadi should not be sleeping in a prison cell. He is a child and should be home with his family.

*His Grandmother
Samia Khoury*



[Samia Nasir Khoury](#) is an [author](#) and a member of a distinguished Palestinian Christian family who [founded](#) one of the region's top universities. She was born in Jaffa, Palestine, in 1933, graduated from Birzeit College, earned a BA degree from Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas, and has a long record of public service, including serving on the board of the Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology Center in East Jerusalem; on the board of trustees of Birzeit University; president of the YWCA; and addressing two UN Forums, in New York in 1996, and in Athens in 2000.

The violent treatment of her grandson is not rare. Each year, approximately [500-700 Palestinian children](#), some as young as 12 years old, are detained and prosecuted in the Israeli military court system. The most common charge is throwing stones at occupation soldiers. Often even this mild charge is untrue.

Olive Oil for Sale

Palestinian organic, fair trade, extra virgin olive oil.

750 ml/25.4 oz. for \$25.00

Available in the church office.

Support the farmers of Palestine in the struggle for their livelihood and land.
(Zatoun = Olive)





United
Women
in Faith

UW Faith Silent Auction November 20 Cancelled Stamps Requested

United Women in Faith November Meeting Dates:

November 7, 2022 – UWF Executive Board meets – 3:00 Fellowship Hall

November 14, 2022 - Esther Circle – 1:00 PM

Kildahl Park Pointe, 888 Cannon Valley Drive, Northfield, MN

Mugs and Muffins – November 14, 2022 – 9:00 AM - Northfield UMC church library

Notice: November is World Thank Offering celebration month. Bring your donations to Esther Circle or to Mugs and Muffins meetings.

OUR SILENT AUCTION WILL BE HELD FOR UNITED WOMEN OF FAITH

When? Sunday, November 20 - Bidding 8:00 to 11:30 AM. Pick-up after 12:00 PM

Where? In Fellowship Hall and the Welcome Center area.

Donations of Baskets, Services, Cabins, Dinners or Individual Items are welcome.

Items need to be in new or like new condition only, please.

DONATIONS REQUESTED:

We are seeking donations of repurposed, good quality, "like new" items.

Are there services and skills you can share?
(painting, baking, sewing, other???)

Would you agree to cook a meal for 4 to 8 church friends?

Will you host wine & snacks in an igloo or open your cabin to a family for a weekend?

Ideas are limitless, and surprises are fun!

ITEMS CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT CHURCH

Saturday, November 19 from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM or

Sunday, November 20 from 8:00 to 8:30 AM

OR by calling Lynn Gryc @ 507-210-7923 or

emailing grycfamily@gmail.com.

Jesse James themed quilt up for auction



Alliance Stamp Ministry being supported by United Women in Faith of Northfield UMC

Don't throw away cancelled postage stamps! Turn those stamps into cash for mission. Since 1971, the Alliance Stamp Ministry in Fort Myers, FL has collected used stamps and resold them to stamp distributors, who then sell them to collectors. All types of cancelled postage stamps are accepted, including collections and albums of stamps. Bring yours to the box in our Fellowship Hall.

"Any type of used postage stamps, including torn or wrinkled stamps, can be used. Do not soak the stamps off the envelope. Carefully cut the postage stamps from the envelope, leaving ¼ to 1/3 inch margin around the stamp.

"United States stamps are divided into: common stamps, commemorative, love, Christmas, nonprofit, high value, airmail, off paper, and computer generated stamps. Canadian and all foreign stamps are also welcomed. The money collected goes to various mission projects. At present it goes to subsidize the ministry of Publicaciones Alianza, a publishing house in Buenos Aires, Argentina dedicated to writing Spanish Sunday School materials." (source: Alliance Mission brochure)



Justice: The principle or ideal of just dealing or right action
-Merriam-Webster Dictionary

The Dismantling Racism Team's series of video presentations within the Adult Forum format have concluded, however, resources from the church library relating to this issue will continue to be displayed throughout the month.

Not to hurry anyone along, but if you have books covering this general topic, in particular the books for children, youth, or young adults, for three weeks or more, please return. Trays in the library (on the desk) or on the library's display table in Fellowship Hall are for "returns."

Should you need more time, please see one of the library team members. *Knowledge* of where a library book is, is a powerful anecdote to a librarian's worries.

Watch for additions to supplement other November studies, sermon themes, etc. Your suggestions and requests are welcomed.

Your Church Library team,
Linda Davis, Diane Genova, Ruthi Henrichs, and Corinne Simonson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us for fellowship and coffee in the Fellowship Hall following worship every Sunday!

For Sunday 9:30 am livestreamed worship service, visit our website: northfieldumc.org

Read the Bible through in 2022

There will be the penultimate gathering for everyone who is reading the Bible through this year on Wednesday, November 2, 6:30 pm - meet in the Reception Room!



Mugs and Muffins

Mugs and Muffins will be meeting on November 14th at 9 AM in the church library. We are continuing our study of the "Boys of the Bible Quilt Block Series." This month we will be studying James of Zebedee, Noah, and Jonah. New members and guests are always welcome.



Card Making with Margie

Monday, November 21st, 2:30-4:00 pm
In classroom #120

Cost: \$10 to cover supplies.

Join Margie Brockton for a fun time of making greeting cards. She will have all the supplies needed.

Call 507-649-2324 to register and for more info!



Don't Miss the **DEADLINE!**

Dec/Jan Herald Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for the combined December/January issue of the Herald Newsletter is:

Noon on Monday November 21, 2022

Please submit your items for December and January in a digital format (word document) to northfieldumc@gmail.com. (there will not be a separate January Herald Newsletter)

SUPER WEDNESDAY MEAL MENU

For the weekly Super Wednesday meal menu visit our facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/NorthfieldUMC>

each week or call the church office at 507-645-5689.



Aluminum Cans for Operation Backpack

Collect your aluminum cans and place in the container behind the church kitchen. All proceeds from the cans go towards Operation Backpack.

Mission Sewing Project

November will be a busy month for Mission Sewing. We are sewing items for Midwest Distribution Center: diapers, receiving blankets, and layette jackets. If you would like to help sew, let Dorothy Orde know.

We are also finishing up quilts to be donated to Operation Joy.

Mission Sewing is meeting November 30th, Wednesday to tie quilts. We meet at 9AM in Room 120.



Meals On Wheels

Our church will be delivering Meals On Wheels for the week of November 7-12.

We are seeking volunteers to be drivers to deliver the meals made by the hospital. It is a great service to get meals to those who need a good healthy meal. It only takes about an hour over the noon hour. You can volunteer one day or every day or as many as you want.

Please reach Marie Beck at Marieyvonnebeck@gmail.com or call 608-322-3596 with days of the week you would be available to help.



Handbell Choir

The handbell choir could use a few more hands!

Our church has a wonderful 4 1/2 octave set of bells, but not quite enough ringers to play them all. If you've ever wanted to try playing handbells, now's your chance! Basic knowledge of musical notation is helpful.

Not wanting to commit to playing full time? We occasionally need subs for our Wednesday rehearsals. If interested or if you have questions, please contact Kathy Szydlo at szydlo@q.com.



Rice County Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign Bell Ringers Needed!

Dates: Ringing will begin November 11th. Every Friday and Saturday from 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Plus Monday -Saturday, Thanksgiving and Christmas Weeks.

Ringling Locations: Cub and Family Fare

Shifts: Select 2-hour shifts. Ring along or invite friends/family/work colleagues. Bells, aprons and hand warmers are supplied. You provide the enthusiasm!

Sign up is easy: www.registertoring.com, enter your zip code 55057. Or call Jim Dale's cell phone at 715-733-0575.





November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>"Community Reservation" designates a room reservation for a non-church related community organization.</p>	<p>Church office hours Mon-Thurs 9am-4pm Fri. 9am-noon</p>	<p>1 9:00 Bible Study 10:30 Staff Meeting 7:00 Trustee Meeting</p>	<p>2 9:00 Mission Sewing 11:30-1:00 Community Reservation Super Wednesday 3:30-5:30 KC3 5:30 Shared meal 6:30 Youth Bonfire 6:30 Parent Fellowship 6:30 Read the Bible in a year gathering 6:30 Handbell Choir 6:30-7:30 Open gym</p>	<p>3 12:00 Community Reservation</p>	<p>4 8:00 Men's Breakfast 6:00 UMC Advent Youth Retreat</p>	<p>5 8:30-11:00 Community Reservation UMC Advent Youth Retreat</p>
<p>6 UMC Advent Youth Retreat 9:30 Worship with Communion 10:00 Children's Church 10:30 Youth Connect 10:30 Coffee in Fellowship Hall 10:30 DRT Walk Together: On the Journey to Racial Justice</p>	<p>7 9:00 Election Polling Place set up 3:00 UWF meeting 7:00 Community Reservation Meals on Wheels November 7-12</p>	<p>8 6:00am-9:00pm Election Polling Place 9:00 Bible Study</p>	<p>9 9:00 Election Polling Place tear down 9:00 Mission Sewing 11:30-1:00 Community Reservation Super Wednesday 3:30-5:30 KC3 5:30 Shared meal 6:30 Youth Fellowship 6:30 Parent Fellowship 6:30 Handbell Choir 6:30-7:30 Open gym</p>	<p>10 10:30 Community Reservation 12:00 Community Reservation</p>	<p>11 8:00 Men's Breakfast</p>	<p>12 8:30-11:00 Community Reservation</p>
<p>13 9:30 Worship 10:00 Children's Church 10:30 Youth Connect 10:30 Coffee in Fellowship Hall 10:30 Adult Forum 10:30 Confirmation 6:00 Community Reservation</p>	<p>14 9:00 Mugs and Muffins 1:00 Esther Circle - Kildahl 7:00 Community Reservation</p>	<p>15 9:00 Bible Study 10:30 Staff Meeting 3:00 MICAH</p>	<p>16 9:00 Mission Sewing 11:30-1:00 Community Reservation Super Wednesday 3:30-5:30 KC3 5:30 Shared meal 6:30 Youth Bowling 6:30 Parent Fellowship 6:30 Handbell Choir 6:30-7:30 Open gym</p>	<p>17 12:00 Community Reservation 7:00 Renewal via zoom</p>	<p>18 8:00 Men's Breakfast</p>	<p>19 8:30-11:00 Community Reservation 8:00-1:00 UWF Silent Auction set up and drop off</p>
<p>20 8:00-11:30 UWF Silent Auction 9:30 Worship Blessing of Pre-K and 3rd Grade Bibles 10:00 Children's Church 10:30 Youth Connect 10:30 Coffee in Fellowship Hall 10:30 Charge Conference</p>	<p>21 Noon - Herald Newsletter Deadline 2:30 Card Making with Margie 7:00 Community Reservation</p>	<p>22 9:00 Bible Study</p>	<p>23 11:30-1:00 Community Reservation NO SUPER WEDNESDAY</p>	<p>24 Happy Thanksgiving! Church Office Closed</p>	<p>25 8:00 Men's Breakfast Church Office Closed</p>	<p>26 8:30-11:00 Community Reservation</p>
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Because every picture has a story to tell...



Calvin Weis frees some balls stuck in the ceiling in the Gym. Crew and AJ watch helpfully!



Lions club representative Ray picks up old eye glasses to be recycled through their club's work.



Miriell Ennis reads scripture at the October 9th worship service.



Rev. Todd Campbell Jr. leads the children's message during worship service.



Pastor Jerad meets with our confirmation families - pray for our 7 confirmands during this important year.

The NUMC Handbell Choir rehearses every Wednesday evening.



Many thanks to everyone who turned out for the Facilities team day of service! Lots of weeding, wood chipping, limb removal, and general cleanup on a glorious fall morning October 8. Brian Seas, Amanda Seas, Brian Malecha, Bruce Lyman, Eugene Lyman, Kevin Allin, Blake Peterson, Emery Peterson, Bennett Peterson, Kerry Hanson.



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