December 2016

The New Wine



<u>Upcoming</u> <u>Services</u>

December 4th 9:30-Combined Communion Service 10:30-Potluck 11.30-Church Decorating December 11th 8:30-Communion Worship 10:45 - Contemporary Worship December 18th 8:30-Communion Worship 10:45 - Contemporary Worship Coffee Fellowship December 24th Christmas Eve 4:00-Family Service 8:00-Candlelight Service December 25th Merry Christmas 9:30-Communion Worship Service

Come Celebrate the season with

us!

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Christmas greetings to you! The Advent season is a time when we are reminded of the coming of Jesus Christ, our Lord and get ready for Jesus' return. However, since we are living in-between time, here and now, we feel tired of waiting due to not knowing when, tend to forget the meaning of the season, and easily get caught up with all kinds of hustle and bustle that the culture of today's world has created for Christmas. Moreover, what has happened in the world such terrorist attacks, deadly shootings in schools and streets, violence in the city of Chicago, the Syrian refugee crisis, and divisions based on our views and experiences, and our reactions to all kinds of the uncertainty, rob away our Advent spirit of peace, hope, love, and joy.

No wonder the Christmas message beyond the time and space of 2000 years of church history has been "Do not fear." Fear. Fear is the greatest threat to us today; more than the violence itself because it drives us to forget who we are, to see people in need as the enemy, and to betray ourselves of our Christian values. It is true that many of our actions and decisions seem driven by fear, a lack of confidence in our belief, and an overwhelming sense of anxiety. With this reason, the Christmas message "Do not fear," is never more needed than today.

As we enter into a season of Advent and Christmas, Jesus reminds us that He is the Lord of history and He will bring in time all things to a good end in Luke 24:21-36. "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. 'People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near," For such a time as this, what we need to do is to stand together in courage and compassion and to treat all persons with the love of God as brothers and sisters. God bless us everyone. This is the Advent call and hope of the church.

Those who have this hope overcome the fears and act with compassion, kindness, and love. In our circumstances, Christ compels us. Especially, when people are afraid for fear, we can remind each other to stand up and raise our heads, for our redemption has already drawn near in Jesus. When we are too afraid to admit to our country those seeking a safe home for fear that they may be terrorists, we can remind each other to stand up and raise our heads, for our redemption has already drawn near in Jesus who himself was a refugee as a child. When the violence of our city streets push us to abandon civil rights and protections for all people regardless of their race or ethnicity, we can remind each other to stand up and raise our near the violence of our city streets.

When we are tired of dealing with conflicts and challenges, when we focus on inward-focused vision and mission, when our finance is poor, when our church building facilities are decaying, when Sunday worship attendance is decreasing, when we are considered unnecessary by the community, when we find inability to attract new visitors, when we sense we are aging, when we feel the absence of vision for future and for hope, and when we begin to grow afraid because of illnesses, death of loved ones, family issues, and all the above reasons and beyond, bid each other again and again to stand up tall and raise our heads, for our redemption draws near.

Dear brothers and sisters, with the good news that our God fulfills His promise, let us offer ourselves wholly to God just as Mary, a mother of Jesus did through our worship and our services to the least, the lost, and the last. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

With the promise and hope of Christmas, *Pastor Hyo Sun Oh*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

December 1–Molly Stood December 1-Debi Marie Meade December 4-Bill Stelter December 5–Shirley Stout December 8-Carol Walter December 8-Robert Nelson December 9-Richard Pierce December 10-John Nelson December 12-Megan Cheehy December 17-Sherrill Weary December 20-Tucker Lange December 21-Mark Huegelmann December 25-Roland Tasker December 26-Gabriella Vasquez December 31-Willetta Price HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

December 21-Bill & Willetta Price December 27-Nathan & Kexia LaFramboise-Van



SCRIP FUNDRAISING

Friendly Scrip Reminder.....

Scrip can be bought as a gift card, or as your own card to be used as cash wherever your favorite place to shop may be. You buy a card for \$25.00, \$50.00 or \$100.00 and YOU GET \$25.00, \$50.00 or \$100.00 to use as cash. The church automatically gets a percentage. The list of all merchants, restaurants, gas stations are participating in the back of the church. I now have Meijer, Olive Garden/Red Lobster, Walgreens, Walmart/Sam's Club, Panera, Jewel, Bass Pro Shop, Home Depot, Buffalo Wild Wings, Starbucks, Dunkin Donuts, Target, and Kohl's. PLEASE BE AWARE THAT IF YOU BUY A KOHL'S CARD YOU CAN USE IT TO PAY YOUR CHARGE! AND THE CHURCH GETS THE PROFIT! At this point no other card that I know of Yet allows you to do that. Scrip is the easiest Ongoing fundraiser to participate in. We all just have to get in the habit of buying those cards to keep on hand for things we purchase or place we go on a regular basis. As proceeds build up, they can be dispersed where

Scrip fundraising is a no-selling program that enables families to raise money for their non-profit organization (NPO). Scrip is just

Fundraising

WHILE YOU

enables families to raise money for their non-profit organization (NPO). Scrip is just another way to pay for everyday purchases using gift cards in place of cash, checks, and credit cards.

You purchase gift cards from your organization at face value, and your coordinator orders those cards from Great Lakes Scrip Center at a reduced price. The difference is an instant rebate for your organization. It's really that simple!

Great Lakes Scrip Center offers over 300 of the country's biggest brands, including grocery, department stores, gas stations, restaurants, hotels, home improvement, and more. Just by using scrip to pay for your normal weekly purchases, you can easily raise \$500 or more per year. It's time to put your shopping dollars to work!

Customize this field with coordinator contact info, enrollment code, and/or sign-up information.



our current need is. Our profits are **\$634.00**! So basically all our profits will be kept until a need arises and the money will be there!

OPEN PANTRY NEWS

Volunteers are needed to help staff the Open Pantry Hours on Monday mornings from 9:30-11:00, this is light work and helpful to families that work during the day. The Open Pantry is in need of spaghetti sauce, tomato soup, jelly, peanut butter, peas, and diced tomatoes.



Sanctuary Volunteers Are Needed!

As you have seen, the video and audio are up and running. What we need now are volunteers! We do not want to have one person stuck in the booth every Sunday. Plus we need to spread the knowledge around so when someone goes on vacation, there will be someone to fill in. Our goal is to have 4-6 people who are comfortable flipping through the computer presentation slides and 4-6 people who are comfortable raising and lower the sound on a mic so we do not have feedback. You do not have to worry. We will walk you through the programs and train you so you feel comfortable with the devices! We just need volunteers!

There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the sanctuary for both sound volunteers. We need people for both the 8:30 and 10:45 services. The more we have the better. That means that everyone will be able to sit with their family most Sundays. So, please put your name on the sign up sheet or stop by the booth and let Jana Stelter or someone on the Worship committee know. We will get you familiar with the program so you can get in the rotation to volunteer for a service.



SCRIP CARDS

Holiday's are coming up fast! Please remember to plan early, and order your SCRIP card purchases for on time delivery. I am hoping to have my next order in by on <u>December 11th</u> so your cards will arrive in time for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Calling All Musicians

We are encouraging all musicians and singers who are interested in joining the Praise Band to contact Leslie, Bob, or Jana.

Come join us!



FUN OPPORTUNITY

Looking for a fun way to participate and serve our church? Then think about joining our Activities Committee. We will be planning activities that include everyone for the year. Some suggestions have been a talent show, a ladies luncheon, a game night, a campfire and movies. If you are interested, please contact Peg Pecher: (847-204-1747) or the church. Come help us make our church a joy filled church.



SUGGESTED NEW MINISTRY

In a recent Upper Room devotional, the author talked about visiting a retirement center for fellowship and sharing with the residents. After reading this article, I was so moved. Maybe we could form a group to have this kind of ministry! In the Lemont area, there are many centers. Please call me if you are interested. My number is: <u>815 838 6318</u>. Looking forward to hear from you. Paulette Fries

Circuit Riders

By Richard H. Lee

A new DVD from Gaither.com was previewed on TV with about 45 minutes of a 90 minute recording, "Circuit Rider." It is a clever blending of Gospel music, much of it new; with short histories of some early American Christian pioneers. These men and women would travel from one community to another on horseback or buggy preaching the gospel message.

Most of the singers are in the Gaither "family" of performers and the history is from Mike Huckabee, who was a pastor and then politician. Mike did a fine job and told the stories of the American pioneers in the traveling ministry, starting with the colonies and American revolutionary movement. I was most interested in the pioneers who were the first Methodists like Asbury and the Wesleys. I didn't know much about Asbury but was astounded to learn that when he arrived in 1771 there were only 400 Methodists in the colonies. Most of the rest were Episcopalians and Congregationalist similar to the churches in England like the Anglican Church.

By 1816 the number of Methodists had grown to 214,000 at the end of his ministry. Then came Charles and John Wesley who were schooled in the faith by their dedicated mother and came to America. Charles was the songwriter and you can find many of his compositions in your church hymnals. John was the circuit rider and preacher who loved to preach all of his life. The songs we find by John Wesley were mostly translated from European writers.

Liturgist Schedule

December 4 9:30-Tim Peraino

December 11 8:30– Bill Stelter 10:45-Margaret Flynn

December 18 8:30– Jana Stelter 10:45– Jodi Stood

December 25 9:30-Sue Gergescz



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Children's Message <u>Schedule</u>

> Volunteer's Needed

Please contact the church office if you are interested.



Greeters

December 4 9:30-Cheehy Family

December 11 8:30-10:45-Bill & Cris Kerins

> **December 18** 8:30-Sue Hinks 10:45-Kehr Family

December 25 9:30-Tasker Family

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

For More information please contact the church office at (630)257-5210 or ministry leaders.

SMALL GROUPS

Bible Study: Prayer Meeting: ALPHA: July 10th Methodist Essential: VBS: The Last Supper: Adult Sunday School: Sr. High Youth: Jr. High Youth: **Breakfast Club:** Children's Sunday Sch: **Prime Timers:**

TBA TBA

John Nelson 630-254-0867 Bill Price 630-754-7667 Iodi Stood 630-243-9366 Arlene Knott 708-301-2023 Richard Lee 630-257-7339 Karin Peraino 630-846-1415 Iodi Stood 630-243-9366 K. Peraino 630-846-1415 Jr. High Sunday School: K. Peraino 630-846-1415 K. Peraino 630-846-1415 Joyce Koon 630-257-6275 Joanne Goszczycki 630-257-6790 Tony Ferrazzi 815-886-4177 Tim and Karin Peraino 630-846-1415

Men's Group: Couples:

MINISTRIES WITHIN OUR CHURCH

Prayer Warrior: Care Bear: Coffee Social: Script Fundraising: CAPS: Audio and Visual: Handyman: Landscape Team: Hospitality Team: Widows Group: Usher Team: Welcoming Team: Worship Choir **Praise Band Junior Choir** Any Other Ministry You Would Like to Start

Pastor Oh 847-769-1125 Alice Lange 815-838-5158 Amy Cheehy 815-834-1097 Marge Fox 630-243-8166 Cris Kerins 630-257-5660 Iana Stelter 630-243-9122 Amy Cheehy 815-834-1097 Bill Stelter 630-243-9122 Amy Cheehy 815-834-1097 Richard Lee 630-257-7339 Mark Olinger 815-838-0660 Sue Hinks 630-257-6743 Sue Gergescz 815-483-7282 TBA

Cris Kerins 630-257-5660

OUT-REACH MINISTRIES

Pantry Workday: Debbie Chappell 815-836-0256 Panera Bread: Debbie Chappell 815-836-0256 **Daybreak Shelter:** Vickie Olinger 815-838-0660 Worthy Treasures: Paulette Fries 815-838-6318 ESL: Kay Norfleet 630-257-6699 **Red Bird:** Steve Walter 630-783-1621 ****Any Other Ministry You Would Like To Start**

Stewardship Minute

Marty Knott Chairperson, Stewardship and Finance Committee

This is the next in a series of articles about stewardship. In these articles I will try to inform you about the many ways you can contribute to your church's programs.

"2017 is Coming!"

Well. It's that time of year when we look forward to next year financially for our church. If you have submitted your pledge card, then thank you! If not, please do so sometime before the end of the year so we can add up the results. Just drop it into the collection plate and the finance secretaries will record and report just the totals to me.

Now this pledge is not a legal document – it is more of a self-commitment for you. If you experience good or bad news during the year, you should feel free to adjust your giving as you see fit.

If you make a pledge or have donated regularly in the past, a box of offering envelopes will be provided sometime in December. I find these envelopes very handy as they serve to remind me of missed contributions that can happen when I travel and miss a church service.

In the end, your financial pledge to the church is your way of promising to help the church do Christina outreach on your behalf locally, nationally, and worldwide just as Christ wants us to do.

General Fund starting balance:	\$1,426
Receipts:	11,980
Expenses:	12,064
General Fund ending balance:	1,342
Maintenance Fund balance:	43,200

THANK YOU

A BIG thank you to Santa and Mrs. Claus (Ron and Carol Walter) for the new Christmas tree! It is beautiful and will make it so much easier for the elves to set up. Your generosity and thoughtfulness is very much appreciated!



DECEMBER

RAINBOW COVENANT

December Loose Change Sunday (12/25/16)

Today is "Loose Change Sunday." All loose change collected on the fourth Sunday of each month goes to support the Rainbow Covenant charities. For December, we are reviewing the Rainbow Covenant bands from this year.

- Burgandy Band—Grace Children's Hospital and Pediatric Clinic
- Red Band—Tree of Life Ministry, Pierre South Dakota
- Green Band—Bethany Methodist Good Samaritan Program

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- Indigo Band—missionaries, Mark & Rebecca Smallwood
- White Band—Community Partners for the Common Good Fund
- Green Band—Wesley Woods
- Yellow Band—UM Children's Fund for Christian Mission
- Orange Band—Heifer Project International
- Blue Band—Epworth Overnight Warming Center

• **Purple Band donations** go to Special Sunday collections for Human Relations Day, Souper Bowl Sunday, One Great Hour of Sharing, Peace with Justice Sunday, World Communion Sunday, and United Methodist Student Day

Please place your loose change in the offering plate today to support these wonderful charities. If you would like to make a larger offering to any specific charity, write the name of the charity on a pew envelope. Thank you for your support through the year for the special ministries in the Rainbow Covenant.

Potica Fundraiser

Potica Sales totaled \$656.00, we exceeded last year by \$188.00 and it was put in our Maintenance Fund. Judy Janovyak worked very hard helping her cousin Charlotte (the pro) make these in record time for delivery. Thank You BOTH!!!



In Addition, Don't Forget to order your SCRIP cards by December 11th (or Sooner) so I can get the cards back in time for Christmas. You can call me at <u>630 207-1151</u> or e-mail me at <u>margefox2366@gmail.com</u>

Many Thanks for you participation!

Books Available in the Library By Kay Norfleet

Handyman wanted

We have widows in our church who may occasionally need help with household repairs: basic maintenance and grass cutting or snow shoveling. Ideally it could be a retired man with experience in building. Please contact the church office at: 630-257-5210 if you are interested.



ESL Tutoring

Kay Norfleet has graciously offered to teach English as a second language to anyone in need. If you are interested, you

interested, you can contact her at 630-257-6699.

December 2016 book reviews

Servants, Not Kings. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many. Mark 10:45 The first book is one donated to the library by Pastor Kelly. The book is "Simple Abundance-a Daybook of Comfort and Joy." Pastor Oh recognizes this form of stewardship and is preaching on it. The book is divided into meditations for certain dates. January 15th's reminder is to pare down and get back to basics. Paring down happens naturally when we appreciate how much we have. This practice is stress relieving and money relieving...and would allow greater giving to those who are truly without. We need to Embrace Simplicity, as the title says. Then maybe we can find ways to obtain what we want by not spending a lot of money, instead use our Godgiven ingenuity. For instance, eating out is often an easy solution for a tired cook, however it's costly. Instead use a crock pot and cook, then your meal will be ready and you can use the dinner time to enjoy family. Or, find a chair at a resale shop and refinish it yourself. Don't stress your credit card or yourself after you have spent the money to purchase a new chair. Or, cover your windows with plastic insulation to keep out the winter winds...they are coming. You don't need to buy new storm windows.

There are so many studies that are thought-provoking: Jan. 7th excerpt asks "how happy are you." It suggests that we take time to enjoy the little things, don't wait for a big thing to happen. Little things like the warmth experienced when you take a few minutes and realize God gave you the earth to enjoy. Even those (!!!) leaves that are falling. Not only do they provide you with an opportunity for some exercise as you rake, but you can scuff through them as you walk, or listen to the young who delight in swishing around in a pile of leaves.

Along the same line of thought is Debbie Macomber's "One Simple Act." This blend of true stories and motivating messages will delight and surprise you as you discover how giving the gifts of time, encouragement, hope, laughter, prayer, hospitality, service, and even forgiveness can have a lasting, life-changing impact, not only on the recipient but on the giver as well."

I can't leave out several other Christmas books which have been reviewed before. Jan Karon's fictional "Shepherds Abiding" that discusses Father's Tim renewal of the Christmas spirit. "The Handel's Messiah Family Advent Reader" that comes with a CD. Each day leading up to Christmas is accompanied with an account which relates to the Christmas season.

"Tales of the Season" is fiction, too. These are stories by authors you probably know, Laura Ingalls Wilder, Frank Capra, Alex Haley, and a few others. "Christmas Miracles" are true and inspirational stories of the season.

And for the younger set is "One Small Donkey." How one small Donkey welcomed Christ. It's a board book that is easy to handle, yet smaller ones, might need some help reading. Whatever, it emphasizes how we should, along with the small donkey, realize the real meaning of Christmas: Christ.

Don't forget to read the real Christmas story from the Bible in Luke and Matthew.(That's what started all these plus US plus-Isn't it wonderful that God is here?)

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



Lemont Township Giving Tree – Wish Ornament

On the front window are individual wish ornaments for a child in our town. When you fill this "wish" of a child you will be providing a gift for a child living in a financially strained household. Suggested gift range is \$25-\$30. Please take an ornament tag. All gifts are to be dropped off by Dec. 12th to the Township Office. Thank you for your generosity.

December 24th: Christmas Eve Services

4:00 p.m. Family Service 8:00 p.m. Candle Light Service

9:30 a.m.

December 25th: Christmas Day Service Christmas Day is on a Sunday this year. We will have **one** combined service on Sunday December 25th at



ADVENT BIBLE STUDY

Pastor is hosting an Advent Bible Study. The title is "The Journey: Walking the Road to Bethlehem." It is being held on Wednesday mornings through December 21st from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the conference room. Also, George and Alice Lange have graciously offered their home for an evening study. They will be held Thursday December 1st, Wednesday December 7th, Wednesday December 14th and Wednesday December 21st, all at 7:30 p.m. Please come and take "The Journey" with us.

> The Journey Walking the Road to Bethlehem

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP

A quick recap of our October Event: Escape Room

Jesus told us, "Whoever has two tunics is to share with him who has none, and whoever has food is to do likewise." (Luke 3:10-11) Through our October SHYG lesson, we identified that helping others escape unfortunate circumstances is one way that we can make a positive difference in the world. The KEY to helping them escape is for us to Work Together on solutions. Although, we might not be able to make a big difference on our own, we can when we work together and when we support charities, like those that are part of the UMC Rainbow Covenant program. There is a list of charities sponsored by the United Methodist Church, divided into different categories and assigned a color band of the rainbow. If a church supports at least one charity in each band during the year, they become a Rainbow Covenant Church. LUMC has been

a Rainbow Covenant Church for over 20 years! The youth selected the charities that our church will financially support in this coming year. (Look for the list in an upcoming New Wine.)

Then we took our talents and ability to Work Together to try our hand at an Escape Room. We were locked into a themed room and given a mission to find a cure and stop a "deadly outbreak" before the time ran out. Hints & clues were hidden around the room and we had 60 minutes to find them. Although we



certainly had some Impressive breakthroughs, we were unable to identify the full solution before in time. Even so, it was a fun experience. Nice work and better luck next time team!

Finally, we also wanted to remind you that we will not have a formal Sr. High Youth Group event for December. Instead, we are hoping that you will join us for the church decorating event on **Sunday**, **12/04**, after the combined church service and potluck. It's another fun way to put those beautiful hands to work helping others and making a difference! (Combined service at 9:30am; Potluck at 10:30am; Church decorating immediately following, approx. 11:30am. Please plan to come to all.) See you all soon! --Mrs. Peraino & Mrs. Kirkman



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CHURCH NEWS

College Scholarships- Giving and Gratitude

We are so fortunate to have people in our church who look toward the future. Years ago some families who felt God's calling, invested money for college scholarships. These scholarships were to acknowledge our students involvement in church, to promote their continuing dedication to spiritual growth, and to help them with their educational goals.

On November 27th, we were again able to award scholarships to ten students. They each shared information about their chosen college, what degree they are pursuing, and spoke of their gratitude for receiving this award. Congratulations to: Megan Cheehy, Erin Cliff, Amanda Huegelmann, Jordan Kehr, Yaso Laemmer, Joshua Miller, Rebecca Peraino, Hannah Van, Gabriella Vazquez, and Kayla Walter.

Cris Kerins and Dawn Ferrazzi Co-chairman of the College Acknowledgement Program (CAP)



COMBINED SERVICE AND POTLUCK

It is that time again when we gather in fellowship for a combined service and brunch. Sunday December 4th there will only be one service at 9:30 a.m. Following that service will be a Brunch in the fellowship hall. We hope that all of you will mark you calendars for this special date.

Immediately following the brunch The Christmas hanging of the greens and the decoration of the church party will begin. There will be cookie

decorating, ornament making, popcorn stringing, and garland fluffing. This is a family event. Small children will be able to participate in a Christmas pageant at the end.

So please mark you calendars!



<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.</u> CHILDREN'S CLASSES: Ages pre/k-5/6 JUNIOR HIGH: Grades 6th—8th BREAKFAST CLUB: High School freshman-senior ADULT CLASSES: In the Conference Room Please come join us! All are welcome!



LUMC WELCOMES THE END OF FALL CONSTRUCTION

The Fall Construction season came to a successful conclusion as the west sidewalk was completed, the north walkway and garden walls were re-installed, and the east side garden area was covered with new sod.

This project would not have been successful without the help of many key volunteers. Al Janovyak spent countless hours on his bobcat preparing the earth and moving tons of stone and rock. Some of his equipment received damage that slowed down the effort, but Al's repair skills got them back in working order as soon as possible.

Tom Kehr spent several days constructing the cement forms before the concrete arrived. He then secured the concrete finishers who did a remarkable job after their regular working shifts. The quality of the new west sidewalk is a result of Tom's skill and hard work.

We had several volunteers who spent Saturday Sept. 24 installing the sod on the east side. Don Muggenborg, Tim Peraino, Dale Janssen, Tony Ferrazzi, Mike and Mihash Cheehy, Rob and April Lange, learned how to install sod due to the skillful directions of Al Janovyak.

Dale Janssen spent hours cutting asphalt with a concrete saw and Tim Peraino spent countless hours supervising the Eagle Project installing the new north wall. Mark Hugelman worked alongside the Scouts as the wall began to take shape.

Finally, each of the Trustees took shifts for 2 weeks watering the new sod to make sure it would take root.

Next spring we look forward to completing the sod on the west side, finishing some walls around the church, and helping resurface, restripe, and supervising the resurfacing of both of the parking lots.

We are blessed to have such wonderful volunteers in our church.

Please Enjoy the Lyrics for: "God Bless Us Everyone"

Let the stars in the sky, Remind us of man's compassion, Let us love till we die In your heart there's a light, As bright as a star in heaven, Let it shine through the night Till each child is fed, Till all men are free, Till the world becomes a family Star by star in the sky and, Kindness by human kindness, Light this world with your love Till each child is fed, Till all men are free, Till the world becomes a family Let the stars in the sky, Remind us of man's compassion, Let us love till we die and

God Bless Us Everyone!

MEANINGFUL MOMENTS WITH GOD

"Pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." 1 Thessalonians 2:17-18

Jean Heney, pancreatic cancer/chemotherapy Cindy K., cancer/chemotherapy Ken, rehabilitation Ashley & Brian, difficult pregnancy Sandy Lauer, severe back pain Dana Patterson. MS and brain tumor Mason Patterson, surgery *Bill Curry, chemotherapy Judy Olinger, lymphoma Marge Good, hip replacement/healing Anna Palmer, brain tumor surgery Ken, bone cancer Dave & Julie, neurologist testing & support Victims of Hurricane Matthew Tyler Beemstboer, heart valve blockage Sandra, auto immune disease Margaret Nielsen, fell/broke bones in wrist Jamie Davis, successful surgery Frank, knee replacement Kyle Kohler, non-hodgkin's lymphoma *Sheila Farrer, surgery *Jason Kehr, cystic fibrosis/testing Lou Gunder, lymphoma Paulette (Varnon), early onset alzheimer's & dementia Ellie Cuiching, clinical trial for cancer *Virginia, new adjustments Jim & Linda, hospital and dementia Lois, stage 3 cancer Jodie (Baxter), healthy pregnancy Marilyn Troyer, breast cancer Suzanne Moake, breast cancer *Bobbie Legan, healing from surgery Barbara Reynolds, stent

Christine, double mastectomy on August 10th Kathy, cancer Sally, fighting lung cancer/husband for support Mary Daum, cancer spreading Angie Neitzel, two valve replacements, infection Melanie Foster, ovarian cancer Sandie Koelbel, lung and bone cancer, chemo Suebea Wright, recovering from surgery Phil. cancer MaryLou, peace and strength Ken Mackey, ALS testing Mary, cancer spread Kay, cancer Brian, fighting alcoholism Margie, heart issues Tom Ligman, pacemaker Answered Prayers: Joe Lahey, back to work and doing well *Carol Walter, successful surgery *Don Farrer, Jr. *Don Mueggenborg, healing *Bonnie Flondor, healing *Bill Flynn, healing David Izquierdo, healing/back to work *Clear cat scan for Shirley Stout's sister *Michael Campbell, recovering from spinal injury Jerry McElwee, cancer in remission *Roland Tasker, clinical trial working *Joyce Koon, healing at home Jim Kratochvil, tumor shrinking Grie<u>ving :</u> The family and friends of Virginia Andersen The family and friends of Randy Daley

MONTHLY BLESSINGS AND JOYS

*Pictorial Directory *Activities Committee Making 80 Fleece Blankets *Our College Acknowledgement Program Recipients *Senior High Youth Group Making Cookie Kits for the Food Pantry *Advent Bible Study *Our Musicians *Honoring Our Veterans *Charlotte's Potica Fundraiser *Our Dedicated Praise Band

Coffee Fellowship December 18

Carol Walter Alice Lange Barbara Lee Linda Lubben Priscilla Ludwig Gina Walter Joyce Koon Grace Kirkman



Expanding Care Bear ers Ministry

Please let Pastor Oh know if you if are "home bound" or need a visit for those who are in the hospital. We are looking for people to prepare a home cooked meal and be with members when they have serious medical concerns-praying and providing support when needed. If you feel called to this ministry but are unable to cook, please donate gift cards from various places like Subway, Celina's or others in town, to distribute to members in need if Carebearers would not be able to provide a meal. Please consider this ministry prayerfully and contact :

Church: 630-257-5210

Lemont United Methodist Church 25 West Custer Lemont, Illinois 60439 Phone: 630-257-5210 Return Service Requested

NEW WINE December 2016

The Hindu Clinic

The Hindu Temple of Greater Chicago has offered the use of their clinic to anyone in need of medical help. The clinic is open the first Sunday of the month from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Their address is 10915 Lemont Road, Lemont and their phone number is 630-972-0300.

AA Meetings

AA Meetings are held in our church Fellowship Hall on Saturday evenings at 7:30 pm. If you would like further information.

> Please contact: Pat at (815) 274-4244

WEBSITE Has Sermons

<u>http://lemontumc.org/video</u> has a list of available sermons. Services are being recorded almost every week thanks to Erik and volunteers. If you would like a video of a part of the service, like a baptism or someone playing a song, please contact Paul Froehle. He can copy it to a DVD or flash drive as a computer or phone readable video file.

United Methodist Men



Will not meet in December

Come and join us! The Lemont United Methodist Men (UMM) will meet in Fellowship Hall at 8:00 am. Lemont UMM meets on the second Saturday of each month for breakfast.

This group is made available for the fellowship of all the men of the church and all are welcome to attend. Information about meeting dates and times are posted in the church calendar and bulletins.



For those of you that might not be aware, we DO have a FB page. Please try and visit it regularly. As time goes on we will be posting more and more.

There are actually 3 FB pages that were started, but the one you should be using has a picture of the sanctuary on it. I am one of the Admin's so bear with me while I get used to my new role. I will do my best but do not know all the rules and settings so be patient :) Marge Fox

Primetimers



Saturday December 17 1:00 p.m.

This is a group made up of adults 50 years and older. Primetimers meet monthly on the 3rd Saturday of each month with a potluck lunch at the church fellowship hall. Everyone brings a favorite dish to share for an enjoyable afternoon. If you have any questions, please call: Juanita Fick 630-257-7639