



ALPHA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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It is November already!! I can't believe how fast the time is going, especially with a pandemic and our lives seem so much different than before. Holidays are just around the corner, and I don't know how those will be this year, but we all will do our best and the holidays will turn out just fine!

This coming Sunday, November 8th, we will be honoring the veterans and those who are serving in the armed forces now. Remember if you can not make it to church on Sunday, the service is on Facebook Live, join us that way; make a comment, so we know you were watching. We are not able to read the comments until after the service, so if you have a concern/prayer request we will add it to the email that is sent out on Mondays.

November 29 is the first Sunday of Advent and we are hoping to have a special service that day where we decorate the sanctuary during worship.

Advent Bible Study will be Tuesdays at 10:30 am; December 1 is the first session and it will be for four weeks. Please join us. Let me know if you would like to come, and I will get your book ordered.

I want to thank everyone who gave me a card, gift, or gift card for Pastor Appreciation Month. Thank you so much. I really appreciate it and am so grateful to be your pastor!



Join Us on Sundays!

Sunday 10AM - Indoor Worship Service

~Enter through South door & please wear a mask

This month: November 1 - All Saints Sunday

November 29 - First Sunday of Advent

Church Council

Council Chair: Lindi Kernan

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S/PPRC: Dale Lanning

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Worship: Roger Swanson

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Lay Leader: TBD

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Alpha UMC News

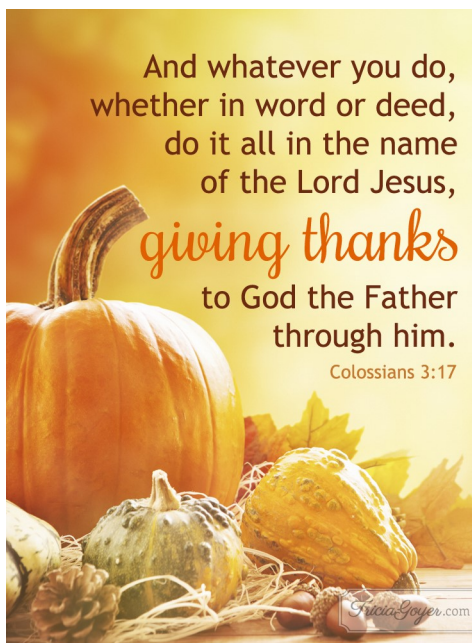
Let's Celebrate!

November Birthdays

06: Matt Gillette
 09: Kevin Spivey
 15: Dave Lambin
 18: Betty Willett
 27: Sam Althaus

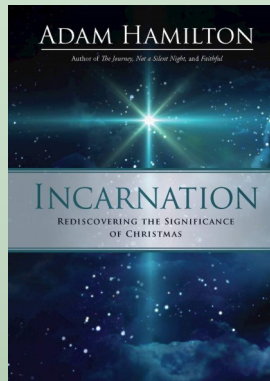
November Anniversaries

25: Ken & Phyllis Kearney



Advent Bible Study

Advent is coming!



Pastor Karna will be leading the Advent Bible study, *Incarnation* by Adam Hamilton. The study will be held on Tuesdays at 10AM beginning December 1st. Please let Pastor Karna know if you would like to join this study so she can get you a book.

Overview:

His parents gave him the name Jesus. But the prophets, the shepherds, the wise men, and the angels addressed him by other names. They called him Lord, Messiah, Savior, Emmanuel, Light of the World, and Word Made Flesh. In *Incarnation: Rediscovering the Significance of Christmas*, best-selling author Adam Hamilton examines the names of Christ used by the gospel writers, exploring the historical and personal significance of his birth. This Advent season church families will come together to remember what's important. In the face of uncertainty and conflict, Christians reclaim the Christ child who brings us together, heals our hearts, and calls us to bring light into the darkness. Now more than ever, we invite you to reflect upon the significance of the Christ child for our lives and world today!

Outreach News



Another Child
FOUNDATION

THANK YOU ALPHA UMC! Below is a letter from Tim Oloffson, director of ACF, thanking our church for donating to the shoe and sock drive. Thank you to Angie Althaus for organizing Alpha UMC's collection.

Dear Angie:

I first have to say that God is good all the time and all the time God is good. I am so blessed to have wonderful supporters like you. People that I can depend on to step up and be the Voice of the Voiceless. It is only because of your generosity (and God's grace) that young lives are being transformed all over the world. YOU ARE A HUGE BLESSING TO MANY!

Your gift to the 10-Year Anniversary event was much needed and appreciated. Thank you so much for seeing this need and responding. The shipping container we send each year is VITAL for the Point of Hope Development Center in Tarneveni, Romania to run efficiently. Your support will help our teachers and kiddos tremendously.

Once again, THANK YOU for being a friend and a supporter of this ministry that is giving God the opportunity to transform lives.

Humbly,

Tim Oloffson-ACF Director



Annual Fill The Altar With Thanksgiving Food Drive

The Outreach Team is once again holding the annual food drive during the month of November. Please bring non-perishable food items, cleaning supplies, dish soap, and personal hygiene items and place them at the altar throughout the month of November.



November 2020



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1 10:00AM Worship - All Saints Sunday Communion	2	3 10:15AM Bible Study 6:00PM Zoom Bible Study	4	5 6:30PM Prayer Group	6	7
8 10:00AM Worship	9	10 10:15AM Bible Study 6:00PM Zoom Bible Study	11	12 6:30PM Prayer Group	13	14
15 10:00AM Worship	16	17 10:15AM Bible Study 6:00PM Zoom Bible Study	18	19 6:30PM Prayer Group	20	21
22 10:00AM Worship	23	24 10:15AM Bible Study 6:00PM Zoom Bible Study	25	26  Happy Thanksgiving	27	28
29 10:00AM Worship 1st Sunday of Advent	30					

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Sunday Schedule:

10:00AM Worship



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