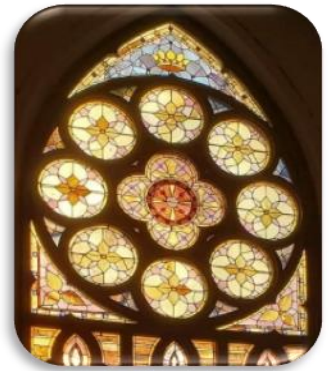


The Link: Connected in Christ

November 2022



Our Mission:
“Bring People
to Christ”

Thanksgiving Food Baskets

One of the many outreach missions of FUMC served by the F.U.N. Group, is providing community members in need with a Thanksgiving food basket estimated cost/basket(\$25 small– \$35 medium - \$45 large) serving from 1 to 10 family members.

We get the names of those in need from Helping Hands, MSPS, Hospice and church members. If you know of a family in need of one, please call 842-3712 or 842-2382 with the # in the family, address and phone number so we can add their name to our list. We will need their names by Nov. 7th to order supplies

We are looking for volunteers on Sunday, Nov. 20 following church in WFH to help put the food baskets together, and help passing them out from 1:00 to 2 PM that afternoon. Thanks be to God for your prayers, help and financial support in feeding those in need in our community with Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets! Count our many blessings!

F.U.N. Group

Church Service Times

**Saturday Chapel
Worship 5:00 PM,
in-person worship**

**Sunday Sanctuary
Worship 9:30 AM,
in-person worship.**

**Sunday Children's
Church 10 AM**

**Live Worship
Streamed Online
Sunday 9:30 AM
Facebook, YouTube
and KNIA**

**Radio Worship
Worship with us via
the radio at 1320 AM,
95.3 FM or 94.3 FM at
9:30 AM. on Sundays.**



2022 Poinsettia Order Form

Help us add color and beauty to the church during the Advent and Christmas season while honoring and/or remembering someone special in your life.

Price Per Plant: \$9 x #Ordered _____ = Total \$_____

***Order form and payment due to church office by November 13, 2022.**

Given by: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

In Honor of:

(names) _____

And/Or

In Memory of:

(names) _____

Poinsettias may be picked up following the 9:30 a.m. service on December 11, 2022.

☐ I will pick up my plant(s).

☐ The plant(s) are gifts and will be picked up by _____

_____.

☐ Please deliver my plant(s) to a homebound member.

☐ I will leave my plant(s) at the church to decorate the sanctuary for Advent and Christmas.

Who Wants Some Tasty Cookie Dough?

MSPS Cookie Dough Fundraiser

What: MSPS Fall Fundraiser – MSPS Students Selling Cookie Dough

When: **All orders are due by NOON on Friday, November 11**

Goal: The goal for each student is to sell **12 items**. The top sellers in each class will receive a prize.

Why Sell: The proceeds from our sale helps our preschool to pay for supplies and classroom toys and helps to keep tuition as low as possible.

Are Donations accepted?

YES!! We always accept donations if someone does not want to purchase cookie dough.

Payment: Payment is due at the time of ordering. Cash or checks may be accepted.

Checks can be made to MSPS.

To Order: Please reach out to Miss Katie or your child's classroom teacher. There will also be an order form in the Narthex as well. Online orders are not possible with this fundraiser.

Delivery: Delivery should be around December 1, 2022. The exact delivery day will be shared when it is received from the company. This cookie dough is stable at room temperature for a few days for delivery.



Thank you for supporting our Christian Preschool! Let's have a great sale!!!

3001	Chunky Chocolate Chip 2 lb.	\$15
3003	Oatmeal Raisin 2 lb.	
3004	Sugar 2 lb.	
3009	Snickerdoodle 2 lb.	
2001	Chunky Chocolate Chip 2.7 lb. pre-portioned	\$20
2006	White Chocolate Macadamia 2.7 lb. pre-portioned	



3001
\$15

CHUNKY CHOCOLATE CHIP

GOURMET CLASSICS

2 LB. TUBS
SCOOP & BAKE
Makes 30 cookies (1.08 oz)

0 TRANS FAT
Premium Dough
0 PRESERVATIVES



3004
\$15

SUGAR



3003
\$15

OATMEAL RAISIN



3009
\$15

SNICKERDOODLE



2006
\$20

SUPER SIZED!
WHITE CHOCOLATE MACADAMIA
2.7 LB. PRE-PORTIONED
Makes 40 cookies (1.08 oz)



2001
\$20

SUPER SIZED!
CHUNKY CHOCOLATE CHIP
2.7 LB. PRE-PORTIONED
Makes 40 cookies (1.08 oz)



justfundraising.com

Toll Free 1-888-440-4114
Visit us at www.justfundraising.com

Pumpkin Pie Fundraiser



Our Living Way Youth will be baking homemade pumpkin pies fresh for Thanksgiving as a fundraiser to raise money for their upcoming trips and events. Pies are \$15 and need to be ordered by November 13th by emailing Lauren at lpetersen@kfumc.com. Pie pickup will be from 3:00-6:00 p.m. on November 23rd.



"The Christmas Nativity" Live on Christmas Eve

We are getting really excited about the Christmas Eve Play, "The Christmas Nativity".

This dramatic presentation is a part of our church's proud heritage, and we are honored to bring it back this Christmas Eve.

Join us to watch this amazing story come to life on December 24th at 7 pm in our beautiful Sanctuary. Also, enjoy the sounds of time-honored songs and a candlelight finish.

Stay tuned for more information!

2022 Advent Devotional Booklet (November 27 – December 24, 2022)

As the Advent season quickly draws near, we look forward to a bright season and to things yet to come. The theme for Society of St. Andrew's annual Advent fundraiser is **Prepare the Way of the Lord**.

As the Advent season arrives, we prepare to celebrate the birth of the Christ-child. Despite the ups and downs of the year, we acknowledge the greatest gift the world has received.

This year's theme encourages you to look forward and prepare for the things promised, yet to come. This is a timely reminder to not let the struggles of the present prevent us from hoping in the promises of the future.

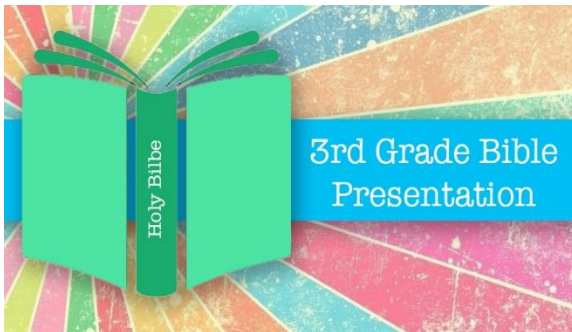
These daily devotions – all new for 2022 – include the stories and experiences of people of faith, both pastors and laypersons, from all walks of life.

This Advent devotional program provides a powerful opportunity for your congregation to feed their spiritual hunger as well as to give in support of The Society of St. Andrew's feeding ministries, reflecting Jesus' own concern for the least, the last, and the lost. Paper copies will be available in mid-November in the Narthex or you can download a digital online copy at https://endhunger.org/docs_church/advent/Advent-Booklet.pdf.



Children, Youth, and Family Ministry Happenings

We have had a very exciting month of October and are looking forward to our upcoming events in November and December. Below are some highlights on our upcoming events. It is not too late to start coming to any of our programs. We always welcome new faces! If you have any questions, please contact me at lpetersen@kfumc.com.



Bible Presentation Sunday

November 13th during Sunday Service

Join us on November 13th to celebrate our 3rd-5th graders who will be receiving their bibles. We will be having a pizza party immediately following service for the families of the kids receiving their bible where we will have fun games and activities to introduce them to their new bible!



Living Way Youth Meetings

- November 6th from 5-7pm
- November 23rd from 11am-3pm for pie baking

SAVE THE DATE

Christmas Day Camp/ Parents Day Out: December 10th 9am-4pm

Parents, enjoy a day out while the kids enjoy a day learning about the Christmas Story through an assortment of fun activities. This event is for ages 4 – 5th grade.



RSVP by December 5th to lpetersen@kfumc.com

Children's Church

Reminder – No Children's Church on November 27th, we will have a Family Worship Service to kick off the Advent season.

Children's Church is from 10-10:30 on Sundays during service. Our curriculum is designed for kids ages 2 – 2nd grade, but we welcome older elementary kids and even youth. Our youth are invited to come and help the adults in leading Children's Church.

Almost Free Shop Needs Volunteer Help

The Almost Free Shop has been blessed with generous donations. In fact, we have had to refuse donations several times in October because we haven't had enough volunteers. Volunteers do a variety of jobs – checkout out our customers, processing the donations (sorting, pricing and placing in the store), vacuuming, and keeping the store clean. Our hours are Monday 2-5 p.m., Tuesday 9-Noon and Friday 9 a.m.-4 p.m. You can volunteer for 1 hour or more. If you want to be on a call list, that is possible. Men are also needed. Please consider dropping by the shop to learn more or call Cindy Fenoglio at 515-443-0281 with questions. You'll be surprised at the blessing you will receive from volunteering and the fellowship. Prayerfully consider volunteering.



Near Helping Neighbor – Office Hour Changes

Near Helping Neighbor has changed their office hours. They will no longer be open on Fridays. New dates and times will be:

- Monday – 1:00-3:00 p.m.
- Wednesday – 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Condolences



Prayers and condolences to the family of Ruth Dykstra on her passing.

Prayers and condolences to the family of Darlene Kline on her passing.

Thank You

Thanks to everyone for your support of our FUMC Harvest Dinner!!! We broke all the records for meals served and your generosity broke our donation records as well! We hope you enjoyed your meal as much as we enjoyed your fellowship and hope to see you at next year's Harvest Dinner. God's blessings to all!



Thanks to everyone for their donations of pies, salads and supplies and all His servants who volunteered their time to make the event EVEN possible and so successful! - the Fellowship Uniting Neighbors Committee & Montgomery St Preschool!

Inspiration

I've never made a fortune, and it's probably too late now. But I don't worry much about that, I'm happy anyhow.

And as I go along life's way, I'm reaping better than I sowed. I'm drinking from my saucer, 'Cause my cup has overflowed.

I don't have a lot of riches, and sometimes the going's tough. But I have loving ones all around me, and that makes me rich enough.

I thank God for his blessings, and the mercies He's bestowed. I'm drinking from my saucer, Cause my cup has overflowed.

I remember times when things went wrong. My faith wore somewhat thin. But all at once the dark clouds broke, and sun peeped through again.

So Lord, help me not to gripe about the tough rows I have hoed. I'm drinking from my saucer, 'Cause my cup has overflowed.

If God gives me strength and courage, When the way grows steep and rough. I'll not ask for other blessings, I'm already blessed enough.

And may I never be too busy, to help others bear their loads. Then I'll keep drinking from my saucer, "Cause my cup has overflowed.

When I think that people in this world have it much worse than I do, I realize just how lucky most of us really are. Don't be too busy today...Share this inspiring message with friends and family

Shared but not forgotten several years ago by Ruth Dykstra

Strength for the Day



I don't know if anyone won the current Powerball Lottery that stood at \$825 million dollars at the time of this writing.

But back about this time of year in 2018 some lucky person in South Carolina had something over which to be very thankful for at Thanksgiving ---- they just won the largest lottery jackpot in the history of the United States. Approximately \$1.5 billion dollars, making them a millionaire 1,500 times over! My how their life could change. My the lives they could change!

"We would be very upset with millionaires who lived in life-robbing poverty because of ignorance or personal choice. We would be very disappointed in someone who had enormous wealth but refused to spend any of it, even for the simple resources to sustain life. Why, then, are we not outraged about Christians by the millions who live as though God were dead and God's grace were exhausted? Could it be because we live that way so often ourselves?"

The good news we share with one another is the gospel's declaration that no matter where we are in life, we are the recipients of God's limitless grace. We can have peace, joy, assurance, comfort, hope, tranquility, confidence, and companionship with our Creator, and beyond that, life eternal. With a life bank full of such gifts we are indeed rich. And yet, so often I permit myself to slip into poverty thinking ... I feel anxious, alone, fearful, faithless, without joy, and sometimes without hope. I feel this way because I have forgotten and lost grip on the inheritance that God gives me anew every morning.

Many of us live in spiritual poverty because we have forgotten who we are as God's children and who God is as our loving and almighty Creator. The fact that you're reading these words suggests that you are reaching out even now to claim your full inheritance as a child of God. May God grant you grace and wisdom to do so more and more today and every day of your life. Claim your inheritance and live as God's beloved child today!"

I didn't write the words in quotations above. But I wish I did.

Thanks to Bishop Rueben P. Job.

Peace,

Pastor Jamie

Follow the Leader



One day as Jesus was walking along the shores of the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother, Andrew, fishing with a net, for they were commercial fishermen. Jesus called out to them, "Come, be my disciples, and I will show you how to fish for people!" And they left their nets at once and went with Jesus. Farther up the shore, Jesus saw James and John, the sons of Zebedee, in a boat mending their nets. Jesus called to them, and immediately they left their father in the boat with the hired men and followed Jesus. --Mark 1: 16-20

As a child, in our one room country school, we would play follow the leader. It was kinda like Simon says. And I have seen a few sprint car races where a car gets out front, and the rest of the race is "follow the leader."

In this scripture, Jesus calls us to follow him. I can't think of a better leader to follow. We need to remember that these four men had heard of Jesus, maybe they had even been among the crowds that Jesus was teaching. So, it isn't as if they just dropped everything and followed a complete stranger. They had heard Jesus speak and probably had been thinking about his message and good news. It was exciting and refreshing to hear about new ways to live. Upon receiving Jesus' invitation, they were ready and willing.

It is an important decision when we decide that we are ready and willing to follow Jesus, because it is a decision for all of eternity. Your decision will affect your family life, your career, and how you cope through all of life's challenges. Deciding to follow Jesus will also impact your money and time management, and your relationships with others. Deciding to follow Jesus leads us to the checkered flag in our life, to the resurrection of Jesus. At the finish line, we find hope amidst pain, suffering and despair. Following Jesus means new life can be ours through faith. Listen closely, and you will hear, "Come, follow me." See you Sunday!

Pastor Brent Hanna

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