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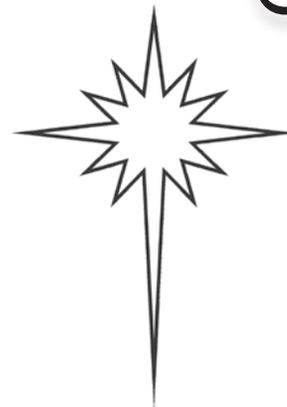
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Epiphany



Strange or unexpected visitors can alarm us, peak our curiosity, or offer to us unexpected joy. In the Bible such visitors are associated with the manifestation of God among people. In the book of Genesis, Chapter 18, three mysterious and unexpected visitors came to Abraham and Sarah. They are understood to be messengers or manifestations of God. Their visit was a blessing as they revealed to Abraham and Sarah that they would soon have a child. The Gospel of Matthew echoes aspects of this story as strange and unexpected visitors show up to acknowledge and reverence the Christ Child.

Epiphany is a Greek word that means manifestation. Spiritual or religious Epiphanies reveal God's presence in history and human experience. Epiphanies can be thought of as transparent moments through which we can see more deeply and beyond ordinary awareness. Epiphanies are extraordinary times when we sense the presence of God and discover more about our relationship with God.

Epiphany and Christmas are closely related. The twelve days of Christmas span the distance between December 25 and January 6. Both Christmas and Epiphany bring into our awareness the incarnation of God in Jesus Christ, the manifestation of God among us, the Word made flesh. Traditionally Epiphany on January 6 is associated with the arrival of strange and unexpected visitors, Magi or Wise Men, who travel in search of the meaning and purpose of a star. Their visit is a discovery for them, and a revealing that Christ is given as a gift to all humanity, that local is global, and that God's love is for everyone no matter where we live, or the language we speak, or the culture that frames how we feel and think.

*This year is one of those unusual years in which
Epiphany actually falls on a Sunday.
Join us for Epiphany worship on January 6th.*

Spend a little too much for Christmas and looking at some credit card debt?

Are you wondering how you are going to pay for college for your kids? Or perhaps how to balance saving for retirement and balancing saving for college?

Overwhelmed by decisions regarding insurance, long term health care, investing, etc.?

Come and preview an exciting opportunity to gain control over your money through FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Sunday, January 13:

- 9:15 Adult Education Preview Sunday – Community Room – FPU team leaders will present a short overview of the FPU Flex course and its benefits along with other adult ed opportunities.
- 4:00 Family and Youth Programming – Wesley Room - All parents of our CUMC Sunday School, Middle School and High School programs are invited to attend a preview of the full program: Financial Peace University. Those with students in confirmation or other youth programs, plan on staying and those with younger children, let us know if you'd like to attend and we'll set up childcare (Contact: Ellie Wilmeth 262-302-9175)

Basics and Cost:

- This course begins Jan. 20th and lasts for nine weeks. (8:55 to 10:00 and 4:00 to 5:30). The cost is \$109 – about the same as two high end coffees per week.
- You receive a personal workbook (no one looks at your personal financial information during the course) and expert help via video of step by step advice to help you make a plan. Extra workbooks can be purchased.
- Through the group conversation time, you can get support and know that you are not alone in your financial questions and issues.

What do we do and is it successful?

- Week by week topics such as “how to make and stick to a budget” along with being on the same page as a partner, emergency spending and saving, college and retirement planning, insurance, investing, and much more will be discussed.

- This popular course, has helped millions of people around the country regain a sense of control over their hard-earned money. We've offered it three times in our own faith community and it has made a difference for those who have taken this course. Need personal testimony? Talk with Mark and Sarah Lovy, Matt and Jen Lange, Tim and Julie Fingeroos, Matt and Melissa Gesvain, or Nate and Trisha Gruber.
- Practical worksheets and step by step instructions.

What do you need to do?

- Come to the preview either at 9:15 or 4:00 Sunday Jan. 13th or indicate your interest to a FPU team leader. Registration information will be available the first week in January.
- Make a commitment to show up each week for class beginning Sunday Jan. 20. You can attend either class and that way you have two options to attend when busy schedules overwhelm your time.
- Bring a friend or another couple and make this a Sunday morning coffee and conversation outing or an evening out.
- If you let us know in advance, we will arrange childcare for the afternoon timeframe.

**Make Financial Peace at CUMC
your New Year's resolution!**

*FPU Team Leaders: Matt Lange, Randy Roupp,
Ellie Wilmeth*



“When the Angels’ Song is Silent...”

Preparations are over, music is sung or played, pageant is performed, sermon is heard...now what? Of course, the work of taking decorations down, rescheduling the various music ministry groups, putting away the carol books, and hanging up the costumes occupies your staff at CUMC. We thank you for your kind words and support shown to all the musicians and staff over Advent and Christmas.

Our music leadership and staff will meet in January to finalize various aspects of worship for 2019. It takes a group effort to coordinate the many aspects of creating worship each Sunday. We are blessed with many musical gifts and talents at CUMC filling the schedule with different music ministry experiences. Please continue to pray for a potential new choir director in 2019.

If you have talents to contribute this coming year, please speak with one of the music leaders. Come to a rehearsal, sit in, listen, give it a try! Even if you can't make a long-term commitment, come and fill in for those who travel. Can't be present at both worship services when the various groups offer their ministry? Why not join in for one service? Options for your musical and spiritual faith growth are many and varied each week. The choir is working on a piece called “When the Angels’ Song is Silent” and we think the words fit the “work” of January perfectly:

When the angels’ song is silent,
and the star is not so bright,
when the stable door stands open
in the cold mid-morning light,
when the angels’ song is silent,
and the shepherds have gone home,
then the promise of Christmas begins.

When the angels’ song is silent,
and the prophecy’s fulfilled,
when the swaddling clothes are folded,
and baby’s cry is stilled;
when the angels’ song is silent,
and the drama is all done,
then the promise of Christmas begins.

For the promise is more than a child in the hay, more
than shepherds and kings and a glad Christmas Day.
Yes, the promise is more than a bright star above.
It’s a cross! And a tomb! And a Father’s great love!

When the angels’ song is silent,
and the kings have come and gone,
all the world is changed forever, for the echo lingers on.
When the angels’ song is silent,
God is nearer than before,
And the promise of Christmas, the wonder of Christmas,
the glory of Christmas begins.





Happy New Year!

We're so excited for the new year, and we hope you are too! While we have had an awesome time this fall and through the Christmas season, we are more ready than ever to get into a new year of experiences following Jesus together. As you may remember, our theme for the year has been "Be Different." We've been challenging our students to think about how their relationship with God changes everything about their lives. Being different is not only something we intentionally do, but is something that is done in us as we invite Jesus to live in us and through us. With this in mind, our Winter Retreat is called "Follow Me." This simple two word phrase was one that Jesus used often to call his disciples from the lives they once lived into a new kind of life that is defined by following Him and learning to see life the way He sees it. "Follow Me" is an invitation not primarily into religious experiences, but into a brand new kind of existence that is only possible because of Jesus' presence. The result of His presence is that each of us will become different kinds of humans. This is the invitation that we offer to each and every student within earshot. We're going to have a lot of fun this semester; we'll have some new experiences and deepen our understanding and love of God. But even more than this, our hope is that each student would begin to experience the simple and profound transformation in their life when they choose to follow Jesus.

We will begin our semester on January 6th, with a Party Game Night, where we will have a blast playing some new and wild team games in our Youth Room. We then follow it up with our weekly Sunday Youth Group with meeting times for Middle School (5-6:30pm) and High School (6-7:30pm). If you haven't come out to youth group or have been thinking of inviting a friend, now is a perfect time to take the on-ramp in and join us! Before we know it we will be at Winter Retreat at Expeditions Unlimited in Baraboo, WI, February 1-3. Early Bird Sign Ups have been open for a month and run through January 6th, so make sure to act quickly if you still haven't saved your spot for the retreat! Winter Retreat is always a blast, and this year we should actually have some snow! Come on out to hang with some friends and make some new ones. Expeditions Unlimited has plenty of awesome outdoor and indoor activities

including rock climbing, basketball, broomball, cross country skiing, tubing, volleyball, and more!

Lastly, parents will begin to see a few more things catered specifically to you! In March we will be holding our first "Family Refuel Night" on March 28th. This is a chance for parents to connect with others who are going through the same stage of parenthood. We'll also glean some Biblical and practical teaching on parenting while your kids have fun in our Youth Room. Mark your calendars for what should be a great night of fellowship. In this same vein, parents will also see a new Mosaic Family Blog launch with articles and resources to help you on your parenting journey. We look forward to continuing to partner with parents in even deeper ways in 2019.

Upcoming Events:

January 6: Party Game Night (Middle/High School), 5-7pm in Youth Room

January 6: Sunday School (9:15-10am) and Confirmation (4-4:45pm) Resumes

January 6: Winter Retreat Early Bird Sign Up Deadline

January 13: Middle School Youth Group Resumes 5-6:30pm, High School Java + Jesus @ Java House 6:30-7:30pm

January 20: Middle (5-6:30pm) and High School (6-7:30pm) Youth Groups

February 1-3: Middle and High School Winter Retreat @ Expeditions Unlimited; \$150 by Jan 6, or \$190 after

March 28: Family Refuel Night 6-7pm, Optional dinner at 5:45pm. For parents and kids and students.

-Nate Gruber
Director of Student Ministries



Thank you to all Mosaic families who celebrated the Christmas season with us! We had a fantastic time caroling, singing with Praise Lab, watching The Star during Sunday School and Mommy and Me, and of course, telling the Christmas Story on Christmas Eve. We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and are looking forward to the new year!

A new year is always a great time for new beginnings and the Mosaic Kids will be learning all about self control in Sunday School for the month of January. Jesus gives us the power to show self-control. We can follow His example and choose to do what we should do—instead of what we want to do. Each week we will learn a new Bible story that teaches us about doing what we should to keep us safe, thinking before we lose our temper, how to choose our words carefully and knowing when to stop. Our memory verse for the month is from 2 Peter 1:3a. Give your kid a head start on our monthly ping pong ball challenge by helping them look up the verse and memorize it. If they can say the verse on our first Sunday of the month they will win an extra ping pong ball for their class!!!

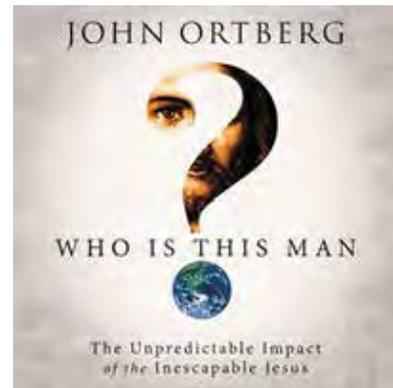
We have been having a great time in Kids' Church so far this year and are excited to start again on January 6th when Sunday School starts back up. We will continue to align our discussion with the kids to Pastor Don's sermon each week so be sure to continue talking with your kids about what you hear during the service when you get home. They may have a different perspective on a subject that will surprise you! If you are ever looking to join us for Kids' church, sign up to be a 2-Deep volunteer on the kiosk in fellowship hall. Jen and Tricia plan the discussion each week but it's always nice to have an extra adult in the room to help the kids look up the scripture in their Bibles!

It may seem a little strange to be thinking of summer when the new year is just starting but planning for Vacation Bible School is already starting! Keep your eye out for more information being sent your way in the upcoming months on registration and ways parents can volunteer.

-Tricia Gruber and Jen Lange
Co-Directors of Children's Ministry



Mary Martha Circle will meet on January 9, 12:30 p.m. at P.J.Piper Pancake House (W61N514 Washington Ave.) in Cedarburg. If you have questions, feel free to contact Nancy Severson at 262-375-4073. All women are welcome!



It's time for the Women of Faith study group to resume our usual schedule which is the second Monday of the month. January 14th will be the next meeting at 1:15. We will discuss Chapter 9, "The Good Life vs. The Good Person."

CUMC Stewardship Campaign for 2019 General Budget

CUMC acknowledges, with gratitude, the pledge commitments of our very generous church family. Your support helps to move CUMC forward.

2019 Stewardship Drive Results

| # of Families | % of Families | Description | 2018 Pledge | 2019 Pledge | Difference |
|---------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 12 | 6% | Pledged in 2018 but not 2019 | \$ 14,970 | \$ 0 | \$ -14,970 |
| 17 | 8% | Decreased pledge in 2019 from 2018 | \$ 40,996 | \$ 25,401 | \$ -15,595 |
| 50 | 24% | Pledged same in 2019 as in 2018 | \$108,485 | \$108,485 | \$ 0 |
| 66 | 32% | Increased pledge in 2019 from 2018 | \$184,066 | \$205,849 | \$ 21,783 |
| 12 | 6% | New pledge in 2019 (no 2018 pledge) | \$ 0 | \$ 21,080 | \$ 21,080 |
| 50 | 24% | Neither pledged in 2018 nor 2019 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 |
| 207 | 100% | Total | \$348,517 | \$360,815 | \$ 12,298 |

Stewardship/Finance asked for an increase in 2019 giving in order to increase our financial support of the Youth Pastor's salary/benefits by \$10,000 and Mission Outreach by \$500 within our general budget. Through your generous giving, we can meet both goals. Thank you!

The following 2019 CUMC General Budget was approved at the December 13, 2018 Charge Conference.

Income

| | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Pledged revenue | \$349,547.00 |
| Unpledged revenue | \$13,000.00 |
| Misc Revenue/Interest | \$5,300.00 |
| Fundraising | \$2,500.00 |
| Total Income | \$370,347.00 |

Comments

Expenses

| | | |
|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| Apportionments | \$53,352.00 | |
| Outreach | \$10,000.00 | + \$500 |
| Annual Conference | \$1,000.00 | |
| Staff Relations | \$213,395.00 | + \$10,000 for Youth Pastor |
| Education | \$13,500.00 | |
| Fellowship/Welcoming | \$2,500.00 | |
| Music | \$1,500.00 | |
| Worship | \$1,500.00 | |
| Facilities | \$60,500.00 | |
| Technology | \$3,500.00 | |
| Finance/Stewardship | \$600.00 | |
| Administration | \$9,000.00 | |
| Total Expense | \$370,347.00 | |

If you would like to further support the Youth Pastor or Mission Outreach funds, please use the pew envelopes noting the fund name on your check. Thank you.

Women's Ministry

Have you ever attended a women's event? Then you know just how much fun or inspiring they can be! Interested in planning women's ministry events here at CUMC? Contact Elizabeth Buhrke at ej_buhrke@hotmail.com or 414-202-5170



Cribbage

Cribbage Club will be held on Sunday, January 13 after second service in the Wesley Room. Bring a sandwich and a cold drink. Open to all. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Lorna Harmsen at (262)236-9849.

New Beginnings Are Possible

Thursday, January 17
3:30 p.m.

We serve a hot meal on the third Thursday of every month to a group of youth, ages 6 to 18. This is often the only warm meal these kids get a day. This is why it's so important for Outreach to continue to support this program. The kids are so appreciative! Please see the sign up sheet on the kiosk in Fellowship Hall to contribute food or to help serve. We carpool from CUMC at 3:30, and we serve dinner at 5:00. If you have any questions, contact Susie Heiniger at (414)303-6739.

Poinsettias

Thank you for making our sanctuary a beautiful and joyous place to be this Christmas season! Please be sure to stop in the office and put your money (\$9 each) in the envelope marked "Poinsettias" along with jotting your name and other information on the front of the envelope.

Human Relations Day

January 20

Together, we extend a helping hand to those in crisis so they can overcome formidable obstacles. Who are these in our communities whom Jesus called "the least of these"? A person struggling to keep sober and/or clean, a prisoner recently released from incarceration looking for work, or a teenager being recruited by a local gang.

Over and over Jesus served people like this, embracing them and that's what we want to model as people of the United Methodist Church. Let's help all God's people reach their potential! Please give generously.



Stewardship & Generosity~ And You

Financial stewardship is merely the groundwork to a generous life. Think of the totality of your life, *including* finances. Then, giving becomes for EVERYONE - not just the wealthy.



BIRTHDAYS

January

January 1 ———— Bruce Krenzke
John Unz
Don Taft
Nancy Taft

January 2 ———— Madison Roupp
Mike Harrington

January 4 ———— David Grams

January 6 ———— Liz Alfonsi

January 7 ———— Brittany Stockwell
John Grams

January 8 ———— Cooper Lator
Kathy Ford
Benjamin Brekke

January 9 ———— Kristin Westphal

January 10 ———— Michelle Manz

January 11 ———— Tom Robel

January 12 ———— Renee Quick

January 14 ———— Jeremy Ward
Stephen Ward
Tiffany Lator

January 16 ———— Chris Robel
Vicki Streich

January 17 ———— Paul Widstrand

January 18 ———— Dominic Jelinski
Jakson Swarthout

January 19 ———— Stevie Stibor
Dan Swarthout

January 20 ———— Benjamin Taft
Abigail Spredemann

January 21 ———— Janene Thomas

January 25 ———— Lee Chartier

January 27 ———— Gayle Buege

January 28 ———— Marlys Samse
Tim Buege

Not on the Birthday List? Please contact the CUMC office.



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Thank you!

Mission Outreach

The first quarter coin offering will go to providing support for refugees via the Asylum Seekers Advocacy Program. This is such a needy issue - please consider making this an intentional giving rather than just whatever coins you happen to have in your pocket.

-Save the Date-

We will be going to the Hunger Task Force warehouse on Saturday morning, February 9, to sort food. Please consider participating in this fun and worthwhile mission endeavor. We will meet at church at 8:00 am to carpool to the warehouse, work from 9:00 to 12:00 pm, and back at CUMC by 1:00 pm. Watch for the sign up on the kiosk.

On behalf of the Mission Outreach Committee and the beneficiaries of our Holiday Giving Campaign, thank you all for your incredible generosity in supporting Northcott Neighborhood House, United Methodist Children's Services, Lasata, the 81st Street School, and Mr. Bob's Under the Bridge Ministry. Your compassion allowed us to provide \$395 in gift cards to Northcott and UMCS, six grocery bags full of scarves, hats and gloves to both organizations, and about eight large plastic bags of items for Mr. Bob's Under the Bridge. Additionally, several bags of items were taken to Lasata and hats were knitted for newborns. Additionally, donations for the 81st Street School are still ongoing until January 13. Your love and compassion for others is truly inspiring. THANK YOU ALL!

COPE Luncheon

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

Ozaukee Country Club

11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

CUMC has been a strong supporter of COPE, and we can show our support again by attending the 2019 luncheon. Last year, several people commented on how impressed they were that CUMC had two tables of ten. For a full table (10), tickets are \$55; otherwise, individual tickets are \$65.

This year, two speakers from St. A's in Milwaukee will provide information on how trauma in a child's life affects him/her as an adult. As their website states, "Assessment is critical, because the brain develops in stages, and knowing at what point in a child's life trauma or maltreatment occurred—even in utero—can help determine what part of the brain was affected and therefore guide effective intervention. Buffering factors, such as a caring person in the child's life, also are considered."

In addition to this extremely important presentation, there will be raffle and silent auction items for you to look over! A couple examples include the following:

- *Watch a LIVE taping of "Packers Live" with Lance Allan (and Wayne Larrivee) at the TMJ studio
- *Door Cty packages
- *Cedarburg packages
- *Children's packages
- *Jewelry (4 jewelers)
- *One adult Ride Along with the Cedarburg Police
- *One Cedarburg student and friend Ride Home from School with Cedarburg Police.
- *Sports tickets and experiences...and more!

To sign up and pay for a seat at a CUMC table (Checks made out to COPE by Jan 27th), or if you have any questions, contact Val Nichols: 262-893-0968. If you know who wants to sit with you, please give her those names as well.



Sunday School Preview

Join us on January 13 at 9:15 a.m. to preview three adult Sunday School offerings.

"Pew Sisters" with Sarah Lovy, "Nine Essential Things I've Learned About Life" with Pat Morrissey, and a class (to be determined) with Mike Blodgett.

Nine Essential Things I've Learned About Life

By Harold S. Kushner

Please join us from 9:15 – 10:00 on 12 consecutive Sundays, beginning January 20th, as we discuss and react to this outstanding book about the enduring value and capacity of faith and community, the universal sense of belonging, the moral sense that makes us human, ways in which we also help ourselves by helping others, and encouraging us to examine what are the lasting lessons in our life, and what "can be" for CUMC.

Using Kushner's book and a study guide, participants will read one chapter a week and respond to one to two questions from the weekly guide. Pat Morrissey will serve as facilitator.

Kushner's themes fall into many categorical questions:

God

- Who is YOUR God?
- What is God's Job?
- When is God's Job?
- Where do you find God?
- What does God promise and not promise?
- Does God expect perfection?
- Is questioning the existence and doubting God a good thing?
- How does faith play a role in believing in God?
- Is anger towards God normal?
- What is the difference between believing God and believing IN God?
- Can we trust God, no matter how imperfect our world is?

Church and Religion

- Is church a verb or a noun?
- What is the difference between being spiritual and religious?
- Why is going to church important?
- What is authentic religion?
- What "can be?"

Humanity

- What is the importance of forgiveness as an active deed?
- Why do we have a conscience?
- What is the difference between sympathy and empathy?
- What is "original virtue" vs. "Original Sin"?
- What is good and bad?
- How do we treat our fellow neighbors and community?
- How do we live for others after loss?
- What is a miracle?
- Why are joy and wonder so vital?
- How do we handle retirement and getting older?
- What does "not yet" mean?
- Do we always choose to love?



Pew Sisters

Ladies, have you often felt like you are going through life's challenges alone or you just didn't know what to say to someone who is going through a hard time? Women can sometimes be the best support system to each other! This 6 week class lead by Sarah Lovy based on the book "Pew Sisters", will help you get those conversations started. The goal of this study is to encourage and build up the faith of our Christian sisters. Even though we may come from different backgrounds,

vary widely in age, and all have our own unique personalities, we all struggle with the same things, like relying on God in tough times, living out our faith, and making decisions based on God's Word instead of our human thoughts and emotions. Every woman has a story to share of God's faithfulness in her life. Join Sarah on this 6 week journey of sisterhood, and see how God is working in the lives of women in our very own pews and in our community!

CALENDAR

January

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--|---|---|---|--|---|
| <p>WORSHIP</p> <p>One Service Only 10:00 AM</p> <p>30</p> | <p>New Year's Eve</p> <p>Office Hours 9:00 AM to Noon</p> <p>31</p> | <p>Office Closed</p> <p>Happy New Year!</p> <p>1</p> | <p>2</p> <p>Handbells 7:00 PM</p> | <p>Men's Study 7:00 AM</p> <p>3</p> <p>Chancel Choir 7:00 PM</p> | <p>Office Closed</p> <p>4</p> | <p>5</p> |
| <p>Family Promise Host Week Begins WORSHIP 8:00 AM Sunday School (Kids & Youth) 9:15 AM WORSHIP 10:15 AM Confirmation 4:00 PM Mosaic Youth Party & Game Night 5:00 - 7:00 PM</p> | <p>Family Promise</p> <p>7</p> <p>Outreach 6:00 PM</p> | <p>Family Promise</p> <p>8</p> <p>Acts 29 7:00 PM</p> | <p>Family Promise</p> <p>Mommy & Me 9:00 AM to Noon</p> <p>Mary Martha Circle 12:30 PM PJ Piper, Cedarburg</p> <p>Handbells 7:00 PM</p> | <p>Family Promise Men's Study 7:00 AM</p> <p>10</p> <p>Chancel Choir 7:00 PM</p> | <p>Family Promise Office Closed</p> <p>11</p> | <p>Family Promise</p> <p>12</p> |
| <p>Family Promise WORSHIP 8:00 & 10:15 Sunday School for All Ages 9:15 AM Adult Sunday School Preview 9:15 AM Cribbage 11:30 AM Confirmation 4:00 PM Mosaic Youth 5:00 PM HS Java & Jesus 6:30 PM</p> | <p>Women of Faith 1:15 PM CUMC Library</p> <p>14</p> <p>Praise Lab 5:00 PM</p> <p>Facilities 6:30 PM Finance 7:00 PM</p> | <p>15</p> <p>Acts 29 7:00 PM</p> | <p>16</p> <p>Handbells 7:00 PM</p> | <p>Men's Study 7:00 AM New Beginnings Meal 3:30 PM In The Land Between Walking the Labyrinth 6:30 PM, Grafton Chancel Choir 7:00 PM</p> | <p>Office Closed</p> <p>18</p> | <p>19</p> |
| <p>Human Relations Day WORSHIP 8:00 AM FPU 8:55 AM Sunday School for All Ages 9:15 AM WORSHIP 10:15 AM Confirmation 4:00 PM FPU 4:00 PM Mosaic Youth 5:00 PM</p> | <p>21</p> <p>Ad Council 7:00 PM</p> | <p>22</p> <p>The Trellis Small Group 7:00 PM Acts 29 7:00 PM Staff-Parish 7:00 PM</p> | <p>Mommy & Me 9:00 AM to Noon</p> <p>23</p> <p>Handbells 7:00 PM</p> | <p>Men's Study 7:00 AM</p> <p>24</p> <p>Chancel Choir 7:00 PM</p> | <p>Office Closed</p> <p>25</p> | <p>26</p> |
| <p>WORSHIP 8:00 AM FPU 8:55 AM Sunday School for All Ages 9:15 AM WORSHIP 10:15 AM Confirmation 4:00 PM FPU 4:00 PM Mosaic Youth 5:00 PM</p> | <p>28</p> <p>Praise Lab 5:00 PM</p> | <p>29</p> <p>Acts 29 7:00 PM</p> | <p>30</p> <p>Handbells 7:00 PM</p> | <p>Men's Study 7:00 AM</p> <p>31</p> <p>Chancel Choir 7:00 PM</p> | <p>Mosaic Youth Winter Retreat</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>1</p> | <p>Mosaic Youth Winter Retreat</p> <p>2</p> |

First Quarter Coin Offering

Beginning January 13 through March 31

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ASYLUM SEEKER ADVOCACY PROJECT

This advocacy project (ASAP) <https://asylumadvocacy.org/> prevents wrongful deportations by connecting asylum-seeking families to community support and emergency legal aid. This organization provides rapid pro bono legal representation at a distance, reaching families who could not otherwise access legal services in the United States.

This collaborative, non-partisan organization assists families from Central American, Syria, Eritrea, Brazil and Venezuela. These families are fleeing life threatening and sexual violence, including repeated beatings and rape. These people are also suffering from extreme trauma as survivors of torture and witnesses to the murder of family and friends.

The *Social Principles of The United Methodist Church* give us a clear lesson that we oppose the separation of families:

"We recognize, embrace, and affirm all persons, regardless of country of origin, as members of the family of God. We affirm the right of all persons to equal opportunities for employment, access to housing, health care, education, and freedom from social discrimination. We urge the Church and society to recognize the gifts, contributions, and struggles of those who are immigrants and to advocate for justice for all. We oppose immigration policies that separate family members from each other or that include

detention of families with children, and we call on local churches to be in ministry with immigrant families." [2016 Book of Discipline, Social Principles ¶162.H]

Please save your coins and give generously to this organization that has helped so many families win their legal battles in order to attain a lasting hope of protection for these, our brothers and sisters, because we are all interconnected through God. The defense of human rights and dignity is what we wish for ourselves and all of our loved ones.

As stated in 1 John 3:17-18, "But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth."



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