



Thanksgiving Potluck & Auction

Today, November 24
11:30 a.m. • CUMC

Today, November 24th, following the 2nd service, our church will again host a traditional Thanksgiving All Church Dinner. The Welcoming Committee encourages you to bring a friend, a neighbor or another family that would enjoy an afternoon of food, fellowship and fun. What a great way to introduce CUMC to someone looking for a new church home! Stay for the Auction after the dinner. Desserts are the highlight this year, so come prepared to bid outrageously! Funds raised at the Thanksgiving dinner and auction will be divided in the following way: The first \$500 will go toward Youth Ministry. The remaining balance will be divided 50/50 between the Pastor's Discretionary Fund and Music Ministry. Childcare will be provided during the Dessert Auction for our littlest ones! Immediately following the Auction, we will have the 2nd annual Turkey Bowl Football Game.

Thanksgiving Eve Service November 27 • 7:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving Day reminds us to have an attitude of gratitude. It comes each year as a moment for spiritual adjustment. Sometimes we are hungry for that change of heart. Consider a quote from an American poet and author of novels for young adults, Richelle E. Goodrich. "Gratitude doesn't change the scenery. It merely washes clean the glass you look through so you can clearly see the colors." Trying thinking of doing gratitude as washing the glass. Gratitude is more than a feeling. It is a thing we do to change the way we see our world, clarify the way we see life, and transform the way we feel about living. Gratitude helps us see more clearly through it all to God.

Join us on Thanksgiving Eve at 7:00 p.m.!

Community United Methodist Church, Cedarburg

ANNOUNCEMENTS

November

Week of November 24, 2019

WORSHIP 8:00 AM Sunday School For All Ages 9:15 AM WORSHIP 10:15 AM Thanksgiving Dinner and Auction 11:30 AM Turkey Bowl (Immediately following Auction)	25	26 Acts 29 7:00 PM	27 Thanksgiving Service 7:00 PM	28 Happy Thanksgiving! Office Closed	29 Office Closed	30	
WORSHIP 8:00 AM Sunday School For All Ages 9:15 AM WORSHIP 10:15 AM	1 Outreach 6:00 PM	2 Acts 29 7:00 PM	3 Handbells 6:10 PM Chancel Choir 7:15 PM	4 Mens Study 7:00 AM Active Seniors 11:30 AM	5 Walking the Labyrinth 6:30 PM - Grafton	6 Office Closed	7 Set Up for Thanksgiving Dinner 10:00 AM

Office Hours Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Looking Ahead **Sunday, December 1, 2019**

Greeters: 8:00 a.m. - Need Volunteer	10:15 a.m. - West Family
Coffee Fellowship: 8:00 a.m. - Need Volunteer	10:15 a.m. - Need Volunteer
PC Operator: 8:00 a.m. - Jeff McCray	10:15 a.m. - Jeff McCray
Sound: Mike Harrington	10:15 a.m. - Mike Harrington
Welcome Center: 8:00 a.m. - Jane West	10:15 a.m. - Ellyn Wagner
Acolyte: 10:15 - Saaba Annor	

» Please see the kiosk in Fellowship Hall to sign up to help! «

Newsletter articles are due on the 20th of every month



Pick up your
2019 Charitable Giving Guide
at the Welcome Center!

Church News

Men's Study Group — This month the Thursday Morning Men's group will begin reading and discussing "The World Jesus Knew," a book that examines the culture, beliefs, and customs during the time of Jesus. The author, Anne Punton, is an authority on the Jewish roots of Christianity. We interpret the Bible through all its translations and try to apply it to our current thinking but sometimes fail to recognize that world 2000 years ago was indeed drastically different. We will look at a variety of the aspects of early Israeli culture, eg. clothes, education, language, living conditions. Through this text we hope to gain a better understanding of the stories, characters, and teachings found in the Bible. We invite all men to spend an hour with us Thursday mornings at P. J. Piper's at 7 AM for breakfast and spirited discussion.

Poinsettias — Sign up today to purchase poinsettias to beautify our sanctuary for the Dec.22 and the Christmas Eve Services in honor of or memory of a loved one. Cost is \$10.00 each. They may be taken home anytime after the 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service. The sign-up sheet is on the kiosk in Fellowship Hall. The order deadline is Sunday, December 8.

Intergenerational Advent Event — Save the Date! Inter-generational Advent Event begins December 1. How do discipleship paths of various generations cross? We have an idea that revolves around the four Sundays in Advent. Starting December 1, CUMC is offering an intergenerational learning experience during our Sunday School time. Students of all ages – young and old – are invited to share a wonderful journey called "The Way to the Manger." Colorful art, caroling, meaningful messages told in sketches, outreach connections, and memory making conversations will guide us toward the celebration of Christmas. Encourage someone in your neighborhood or family to check out the real meaning of the season.

Do You Like To Sew? — If you like to sew - straight ahead, straight line sewing - a few members of CUM are working on new Advent Banners for the sanctuary. They will match the theme "The Way to the Manger" of our Inter-generational Sunday School time during that period. Material can be provided, backing strips are ready in various lengths, all we need are some willing seamstress hands. Please talk to Stevie Stibor or Ellie Wilmeth if you would like to participate.

Active Seniors — December 5, 11:30 a.m. in the Community Room at CUMC. We are in for a real treat. Youth from Cedarburg High School will be sharing our meal with us and providing the entertainment for our December program. Come and enjoy the Christmas Season music offered by this very talented group! Freewill offering baskets will be available for contributions to cover the meal cost and also to make a gift to the CHS Music Department. Please be generous. Bring a guest with you to enjoy great music, a delicious meal, and engaging fellowship during this Advent Season. See you on December 6! Sign up in Fellowship Hall.

Women of Faith Coffee Fellowship — Tomorrow, November 25, 9:15 A.M., at Grafton Arts Mill Coffee Roastery, 1300 14th Avenue.

Women of Faith — On Tuesday, December 10, The Women of Faith discussion group will enjoy a Christmas Lunch at Libby Montana on Donges Bay Rd., Mequon, at 11:30 a.m. Please bring a wrapped white elephant gift for our gift exchange. Because our November meeting was canceled due to extreme cold weather, at our January meeting we will discuss two Chapters of John Ortberg's humorous and insightful book, "Everybody's Normal Til You Get to Know Them." Please join us Monday, January 13, at 1:15 p.m. in the church library to share the nuggets in Chapters 3 and 4.

Outreach

Family Promise "Make A Difference" — Having supported Family Promise for over 5 years, the Family Promise committee and volunteers are well aware that many members of the congregation still aren't sure what volunteering for that week actually involves. So, on December 8th, after both services, members from each area will hold a mini job fair in Fellowship Hall where "Job Descriptions" will be available and explained. Volunteers from separate areas will answer any questions you might have as well as speak about their own experiences with Family Promise. If you have never participated in this week, please use this as an opportunity to learn about each area and consider signing up for one. We begin 2020 by having Family Promise the week of Jan. 5th. It truly means a lot to our guests and is one of the easiest ways to be a "servant leader".

Pecans for Jail Literacy — Pecans will soon be here for fall baking and gift giving. We hope to have them in November in time for Thanksgiving baking. As always we will have plain, chocolate covered (milk and dark) and carmel clusters. If you have a special order please let me know at streichfamily@aol.com. This is a fund raiser and all profits will go to the Ozaukee Jail Literacy Program. Plain - \$11.00, Chocolate - \$10.00

4th Quarter Coin Offering — Fourth Quarter Coin Offering will be going to Harbor House Crisis Shelters. Harbor House Crisis Shelters mission is to provide hospitable shelter, transitional living and services for homeless women and families.

Immigration Work Day Update

This is an update from Wendy Porterfield. Wendy drove to Tuscon to deliver the personal dignity kits to the Inn.

"Good Morning Marilyn (Mequon UMC), We had a very productive day yesterday at the Inn. It is an amazing operation run by a skeleton crew, and a herd of volunteers. When we arrived there were 17 guests there. The youngest about 2 years old. We will report better when back home again, but must tell you Gretchen is a wonder. She is due to give birth in 2 weeks. We opted to go to the clothes donation room, as Gretchen said it had been neglected for some time as they had been so terribly busy. It was a challenge to tackle but nine hours later the three of us had it in an order that anyone could navigate. Hot, hot, hot but done, done, done! I took some photos but I did not want to be disrespectful of the guests staying there. They were completely out of health kits when we arrived and had been trying to build them at their desk when time allowed, our timing and gift was perfect. Again thank you for this opportunity."

Wendy Porterfield (Mequon UMC)

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