



5:00 p.m.

Young Children & Family

An Interactive service for the whole family!
Children participate in "Silent Night"
using battery candles. Jazz Band

7:00 p.m.

Choral, Preaching & Candlelight

A most traditional Christmas service.
Special music by Bell Choir and Christmas Choir.
Pastor Dave's message and candlelit "Silent Night."

11:00 p.m.

Communion Candlelight

A reverent and musically inspiring
Christmas service - Lauren Sperry, instrumentalist;
Jacob Sheets, homily and Holy Communion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

December

Week of December 14, 2014

3rd Sunday of Advent Christmas Cantata 8:00 AM and 10:15 AM Sunday School 9:15 AM Praise Lab 11:45 AM	Women's Bible Study 9:00 AM	Acts 29 7:00 PM	Confirmation 5:00 PM Blaze/Spark Christmas Party 7:00 PM Handbells 7:00 PM	Men's Study 7:00 AM Chancel Choir 6:45 PM		
4th Sunday of Advent WORSHIP 8:00 AM and 10:15 AM No Sunday School Praise Lab 11:45 AM	Women's Bible Study 9:00 AM		Christmas Eve Family Service 5:00 PM Choral & Candlelight Service 7:00 PM Communion Candlelight Service 11:00 PM	Merry Christmas! Office Closed	Office Closed	

Office Hours Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Looking Ahead

Sunday, December 21, 2014

Greeters: 8:00 a.m. - Phil & Terumi Schaefer
Coffee Fellowship: 8:00 a.m. - K. Roupp, P. Kolis
PC Operator: 8:00 - Michael Queoff
Two Deep Nursery: 9:15 a.m. - No Sunday School
Sound: Bruce Krenzke

10:15 a.m. - Jeff and Lynn McCray
 10:15 a.m. - K. Roupp, P. Kolis
 10:15 a.m. - Bruce Krenzke
 10:15 a.m. - Julie Fingeroos
Acolyte: Need Volunteer

Church News

In Our Prayers — Please continue to pray for: Marilyn Payne (chemo respite and set to receive a clinical trial in January), David Pepke (awaiting a liver transplant and receiving treatment), Carole Tiedemann (home and receiving therapy after a stroke), Marj Van Vickle (compression back fracture), Rhea Slawter (upon the recent death of her husband Harry), Judy Harrison (recovering at home after surgery.)

Looking Ahead January Newsletter — Please be mindful that the January Newsletter is likely to arrive later than normal (mid-January) so that our staff can enjoy holiday moments with their families.

Wedding Bells — Nate Austin our new Director of Student Ministries will be marrying his fiancé, Liz on Saturday, Dec. 20th. As a way to show our love to them, you have the opportunity to write a note of love, encouragement, and joy for their big day today. If you'd like to fill out a card that we are providing, stop by the table in Fellowship Hall. These notes will be delivered to them.

Outreach

The Pecans are almost gone! — The Outreach team is selling pecan halves, caramel clusters, light and dark chocolate-covered pecans in Fellowship Hall after both services today. These pecans are excellent quality, and they make luscious holiday and party gifts or stocking stuffers. They are \$9.00 a bag. Proceeds will benefit Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti, a Wisconsin Conference Global Advance Special Project, which means every penny sent goes directly to the hospital, no administrative costs involved. Thank you for your generous support.

Christmas Gift Cards for Children at United Methodist Children's Services (UMCS) & Northcott Neighborhood House — *Due Monday Morning!*

Gifts brighten the season for children at Christmas. This year, your Outreach Committee has been collecting gifts of gift cards for UMCS and Northcott. Gift cards to Target and Walmart for \$10/\$20 make great gifts and are greatly appreciated by the families. Please bring gifts to the gift box in the CUMC Office. UMCS provides these gifts to families in their community - over 78 families/250 individuals - in their ongoing childcare and affordable supportive housing programs. Parents choose gifts for their children with the cards. Northcott serves over 200 families with children. Gift cards are given as a gift to the children. Last year our congregation generously provided nearly \$900 in gift cards to Northcott and UMCS for their community Christmas parties. Let's brighten the Christmas season with gifts for the children of these communities.



December Food Drive — *Due Monday morning!* Our December Food Drive recipient is Northcott Neighborhood House, 6th and Wright, Milwaukee. We can make such a huge difference in this area of Milwaukee and enhance the work of our Conference United Methodist agency.

Christmas Gifts for Lasata — *Due Today!* Please help put smiles on the faces of residents of Lasata by giving gift donations. The residents look forward to opening their gifts with much anticipation knowing their packages are hand selected personally for each one. Please see the Christmas Gift List in Fellowship Hall. Place *unwrapped donations* in donation box.

Befriender Ministry — Need help getting through a difficult time? Befrienders offer the opportunity for a caring, supportive, confidential listening presence. Please contact Sarah Lovy at (414) 915-8273 or Pastor Dave at the Church office.



Christmas Offering for Family Promise — This year's Christmas Offering will be going toward our church's funding for Family Promise. As a host church for this loving organization whereby churches house homeless families, our \$2,000 payment to the county organization for 2015 has already been made due to the generosity of a congregation member. The Christmas offering will be put toward our 2016 payment. Extra funds will always be put to good use as both the county and local church's programs get underway. Please be generous as we work for the homeless to become self-sustaining in our county. Thank you.

Youth

Youth Ministries December 17th Christmas Party!

Will it be an ugly sweater contest? A gingerbread house competition? White elephant? Come Wednesday night December 17th to find out! It's going to be a great night of fun and celebration! We'll have a shortened night - from 7:00 - 8:00 PM. No Youth Group December 24 and 31st.

Finance

Think Even Greater — 2015 Envelopes are available for pick up today. Please pick up your envelope box from the table in Fellowship Hall to help CUMC save on postage costs. In our final month of contributions for 2014, please reflect on your financial giving. If you need an additional statement to double check your pledge status, please contact Ellie Wilmeth (262-377-8278). If you are able to contribute a little extra to cover the various needs of CUMC mission and ministry programs, we appreciate your generosity to help those who are struggling to meet their pledges. We thank you for your diligence and commitment. December 31st is the last day to contribute to get credit for 2014. The church office will be open until noon.



New Year Schedule

Meetings

Monday, Jan. 5
6:30 Facilities
7:00 Outreach

Tuesday, Jan. 6
6:30 Building

Monday, Jan 12
7:00 Befrienders
7:00 Finance
7:00 Welcoming

Monday, Jan. 19
7:00 Ad Council

Holiday Office Hours

The Church Office will be Closed

Wednesday, Dec. 24 - Worship with us!
5:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m., 11:00 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 25 - Christmas Day

Friday, Dec. 26

Wednesday, Dec. 31 - Closed at noon

Thursday, Jan. 1 - New Year's Day

Friday, Jan. 2

Thank you for your understanding.

Due Monday Morning!

Christmas "Giving" Tree

Please consider donating new mittens, hats or scarves to the "Giving" Tree which is located in Fellowship Hall. These will be donated to children at Northcott Neighborhood House in Milwaukee. Northcott is a multi-purpose community center originated by the Wisconsin Annual Conference in 1961. The Agency mission is to support family stability and provide educational and recreational programs for youth. Your gifts will help warm the bodies of these children. Thank you!

