

Celebrate Advent and Christmas with Music & Children

Dec. 10 – Choir and Sunday School

The choir has been working on a variety of Advent and Christmas selections. Some songs express the excitement of growing closer to the birth of Jesus while others contemplate the solemnity of this babe born to save us. The 8 o'clock service features the choir, scripture and poems shared



in a lessons and carol format. The 10:15 finds the choir joined by all ages of Sunday School students, a variety of instruments and storytelling in pictures and songs. It will be an exciting day as we gather to share the wonder and joy of the coming of our Savior bringing us inner beauty and peace.

Many thanks to our talented musicians for sharing their gifts at our worship services today.

Saxophones

Nate Gruber
Steve Adgate
Melissa Reuter

Strings

Erin Williams
Leah Rishel

Brass

Eric Williams
Dave Ridgely
Dani Vance
Thomas Bates
Tom Traugott
Jonathon Gideon

Handbells

Director - Lydia Clough

Linda Hansen
Tracy Keifenheim
Sue Kennedy
Julie Piel
Kim Polan
Kim Quirk
Patty Rabas
Melissa Reuter
Nick Schultz
Debbi Sheets

Community United Methodist Church, Cedarburg

ANNOUNCEMENTS

December

Week of December 3, 2017

WORSHIP 8:00 AM and 10:15 AM Sunday School 9:15	Praise Lab 5:00 PM One Community 5:00 PM Outreach 6:00 PM	Acts 29 7:00 PM Befrienders 7:00 PM	Confirmation 5:00 PM Mosaic Youth 6:00 PM Handbells 6:30 PM	Mens Study 7:00 AM Barcel Violin 4:45 PM Chancel Choir 7:00 PM	Office Closed	
WORSHIP 8:00 AM and 10:15 AM Sunday School 9:15	Women of Faith 11:30 AM Highland House Youth Leadership Appreciation Dinner 6:00 PM Water St. Brewery Facilities 6:30 PM Finance 7:00 PM	Acts 29 7:00 PM	Mary Martha 12:30 PM PJ Pipers Confirmation 5:00 PM Mosaic Youth 6:00 PM Ringing & Singing Family Event 6:00 PM Handbells 6:30 PM	Mens Study 7:00 AM Mosaic Youth Coffee & Donuts 7:30 AM Chancel Choir 7:00 PM	Office Closed	

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

Looking Ahead

Sunday, December 10, 2017

Greeters: 8:00 a.m. - Need Volunteer
Coffee Fellowship: 8:00 a.m. - Linda Hansen
PC Operator: 8:00 a.m. - Jesse Windmiller
Sound: Tim Fingeroos
Welcome Center: 8:00 a.m. - Pat Morrissey

10:15 a.m. - Keifenheims
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 10:15 a.m. - Jesse Windmiller
Acolyte: Kyra Westphal
 10:15 a.m. - Ellyn Wagner



Poinsettias — Sign up today to purchase poinsettias to beautify our sanctuary for the Dec. 17th and the Christmas Eve Services. Cost is \$12.00 a plant. 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 next Sunday, December 10.

Outreach

Coin Drive — September 1 through December 31. Our funds will go to meet Harbor House Crisis Shelter's greatest needs.

Pecans — Our Schermer Pecans are available for purchase after both services for \$10.00 a bag. We have plain, milk chocolate, dark chocolate, and caramel clusters. Please consider them for gifts or for your Holiday cooking. If you want a large amount please let Vicki Streich know as soon as possible. Profits will benefit UMCOR Material Resources Advanced, which provides supplies during the time of crisis and disaster.

Food Drive — Northcott Neighborhood House, 6th & Wright in Milwaukee, will receive our food collection during December. Let's donate generously! We can have a wonderful impact on this area of Milwaukee at Christmas with our food ministry. The gift of food is always welcomed!

Family Promise — Our next two host weeks begin Jan. 21st and Apr. 15th. Please consider one day to help out in some way. Thank you!

UMC's 2017 Christmas offering will be given to "Franciscan Peacemakers" for their street ministry in Milwaukee, as they reach out to those victimized by human trafficking. Most trafficked children come from "normal" homes and go to school regularly.

Franciscan Peacemakers volunteers provide lunches and personal care items to children, women and men, many of whom are homeless or living in severe poverty, in neighborhoods where the crime levels are



Poinsettia Delivery — Poinsettias will be available for delivery to shut-ins next Sunday, December 10. This long-standing tradition in our congregation puts a smile on a face and reminds the recipient of our congregation's love and care. Watch for the flowers in Fellowship Hall and take this opportunity to reach out and bring joy and holiday cheer from our congregation.

Annual Mitten/Hat/Scarf Tree — We hope all the knitters, crocheters, and shoppers are busy making or getting hats, mittens and scarves for Northcott at 6th and Wright and United Methodist Children's Services at 39th and Lisbon Ave. Our tree is up for you to decorate with these much needed and appreciated items. Thank you very much for helping keep someone warm this winter! The last day for contributing to the tree is Sunday, December 17th.

Lasata Christmas Gifts — Put smiles on the faces of residents of Lasata by giving gift donations, which are hand selected personally for each one. Please see the Christmas Gift List and donation box in Fellowship Hall. Place **unwrapped donations** in the donation box. Donations will be accepted until December 9th.

very high and prostitution is prevalent. Once their immediate needs are met, they are invited to come off the streets with offers of shelter, and detox or hospitalization as needed. The relationships formed with these children of God provide a pathway to a sustainable healthy, safe, and productive life.

Please consider a generous donation this Christmas to Franciscan Peacemakers.

<http://franciscanpeacemakers.com/about/>

Church News

Mary Martha Circle — December 13, 12:30 p.m. at P.J. Pipers (W61N514 Washington Ave., Cedarburg.) All women welcome! Please contact Nancy Severson (262-375-4073) if you have any questions.

Women of Faith — December 11, 11:30 a.m. Christmas Lunch at Highland House, 12741 N. Port Washington Rd., Mequon.

No Sunday School — There will be no Sunday School on December 24 and December 31.

Youth Ministries



Ringling and Singing Family Event — Wednesday, December 13, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Meet at the church at 6:00 p.m. and we will leave by 6:15 to go caroling. We will be back at church by 7:00 to enjoy cookies, hot chocolate and learn a song or two on the hand bells. Please bring your favorite Christmas cookie to share after caroling. All ages are welcome! Facebook Event Page - <https://www.facebook.com/events/130337020962352/>

Mosaic Kids & Youth Blessing Bags — This time of year the homeless have extra need of items such as gloves, hats, and hand warmers along with their ongoing need of socks, baby wipes, beef jerky, etc. On Sunday Dec. 17th our Mosaic Kids Sunday School will be assembling Blessing Bags for the homeless in Milwaukee. In early January the Mosaic Youth Group will be going into Milwaukee to hand deliver the Blessing Bags to homeless people. Donated items will be collected during the 10:15 service on Dec. 10th or can be placed in the basket in Fellowship Hall until the 17th.



UMC Outreach Committee is again offering the opportunity to make Christmas a "wonderful time of year" for our Milwaukee neighbors. Clients of these UM agencies are issued gift cards to purchase needed items during the holiday season. Please purchase gift cards in \$10 or \$20 amounts from Target or Walmart. There is a decorated box in the church office to receive your gift cards by December 17. Thank you!



Jordan Roupp's Special Education Class at Metcalfe School

Please see the Charitable Gift Guide link on our website (cedarburgcumc.org) for a complete list of needed items. The list is also available on the Metcalfe School donation trunk in Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your help!