CREATING CONNECTIONS

The newsletter of Community United Methodist Church

Pastor's Pen

The Sunday Scramble

Making breakfast is one of my specialties. I particularly like to make scrambles, not because they are easy, but because you can be creative with the ingredients. The eggs are a given so it's the combination of all the ingredients that makes it special. I like to start with diced ham or bacon and then go from there adding diced purple onion for character, bell peppers, some shredded cheddar cheese for some body, and a secret mix of pepper, salt, and garlic powder to spice it up a bit. Top it off with some hot coffee, toast or biscuits with some jam and you have quite a meal. The great thing about scrambles is that you can go with what you have and that no two scrambles have to be the same. It's the variety that makes it interesting.

And that's how I feel about our Sunday morning services. They're a bit like a scramble created out of whatever we have on hand. I've said it before that there is a lot that goes into our services that, other than my bloopers, often goes unnoticed but once all the ingredients are added into the basic service we have quite a creation to be enjoyed by many. It starts with me writing the sermon, selecting the readings, and picking out the songs. From there it goes to Kathi who puts the bulletin together along with the inserts adding her personal touch. Sunday morning begins with opening the building, turning on the heat and lights and starting the coffee (the third Methodist sacrament). Our friendly greeter takes their place at the front door to welcome the worshippers and hand out bulletins. The musicians file in and begin warming up and the flowers magically appear up on the altar. Our video team sets up the Facebook Live and Zoom online stream and makes sure it is ready to go. Once the liturgist is in place the altar candles are lit and we're ready to begin. At that point our security team makes sure the sanctuary is secure and everyone is in their seats. Once the service is underway the readings are read, the sermon is preached, the hymns are sung, our joys and concerns are lifted up, and our offerings are collected before we are dismissed to go and get more coffee and assorted baked goods. While we're enjoying our fellowship the counters are busy counting and recording our offering for deposit. And just like that, it's over as people say their goodbyes and head for home or decide where to go for lunch. The kitchen is cleaned up, the lights are turned off, the heat turned down, and the sanctuary becomes quiet and rests from an energetic morning full of happy worshippers fed full of the Holy Spirit ready for the coming week.

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ALTAR FLOWERS















Saviors' Soup Soft Opening 2/18/23 Delicious soup served every Saturday Open to all members and the Public. Please join us! **Meet the new Church secretary**....Just closing in on 1 month of service. What a whirlwind of learning! I want to thank each and everyone who has been so patient and supportive as I navigate this new position. It has been my husband, Patrick, and myself s great pleasure to become members of the CUMC. Hoping to get my parents officially new members once the bishop in their area is able to confirm the transfer of membership.

I'd like to personally thank Pastor Scott who has been especially supportive and soon, I'll be able to officially see myself as a admin assistant.

Just a bit of personal info; I'm an avid horse enthusiast and own my own horse and her companion mini. We live on 3 acres on Center rd. I absolutely love the country life and wish our road wasn't so busy. Over my life, I have been a nurse, a school bus driver, had my own horse/farm animal care business, called The Happy Horsesitter, a school secretary/dispatch person, and now church secretary. I used to play piano, but broke a finger and that slowed down the playing. I love to sing which is becoming evident on Sundays. I'm also enjoying the Bell Choir with Marsha Hamacher leading us. We have a fun group of ladies and enjoy our time together.

I'm loving getting to know you all better and hope to be of service to you when needed. Please feel free to contact me through the church office. Kathi VanCamp



The Good Neighbor experiment is halfway through Lab 3 and we are excited about some of the progress we have made getting to know some of our neighbors and hearing about discovering gifts and building meaningful relationships. We are pleased to notice how natural and organic some of the relationships are forming.

Lab 3 we are also reflecting on looking for hidden gifts in our small group and in our church family. We will be working on looking for hidden treasures in our community, which happens at the speed of relationship and watching how God is working already in our neighborhoods.

We have been taking a deep dive into the process of moving the congregation from scarcity to abundance.

The steps include:

- 1. Looking for hidden gifts
- 2. Connecting these gifts
- 3. Tell the story of abundance.
- 4. Identifying areas that we view through a lens of scarcity.

Please join us in our experiment to discover the gifts of the garden in our church community. We welcome new stories about how neighbors have impacted your life and how you have impacted their lives.

Workshop 3 will be introducing Lab 4 and will be held at Brownsville United Methodist Church on Saturday, March 18th from 1pm-5pm * 4

United Women in Faith





Valentines for the congregation.





Membership Team Membership Leader needs some followers!

Did you ever wonder who our Membership Chairperson is and what do they do?

The Membership Team leader is Gladys Heinzinger and she is responsible for keeping up to date with the membership of the church. She keeps track of new members, members who have moved away and others that may have left the church.

As a church family, we know there are many of you who keep up with members that you haven't seen for a while or wonder how they are doing and make phone calls or stop by to check in on people—Bless you and <u>thank you</u> for demonstrating your care and love for people in the church you have not seen in a while.

Gladys is looking for help to call and visit with members to check in and see how people are doing. It is a rewarding and joyous task that is always welcome and well received by the people you call or visit. If you like to talk to people and find out how they are doing, this might be a good ministry for you!

Gladys takes care of all the paperwork, so all you would have to do is touch base with members of the church-an easy and fun ministry. Be part of the Membership team and brighten someone's day. Consider joining Gladys on the Membership Team! For more information call Gladys Heinzinger at 360-385-9049.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 4pm Bell Choir	2 UWF 10AM Good Neighbor Experiment. Zoom 7-8pm GNE	3	4 General Store Hours: 10am to 1pm Saviors Soup 10-Noon
				7-8pm Al-Anon		
5 10:00am Wor- ship 10:15am Sunday	6	7	8 4pm Bell Choir (9	10	11 General Store Hours: 10am to 1pm
School 11:15am Fellow- ship			Finance Admin Council Meeting 6:30pm on Zoom	7-8pm Al-Anon Meeting (Library)		Saviors Soup 10-noon
				GNE Zoom 7-8p		
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BIRTHDAYS	HOSPITALITY	OUR PRAYERS
 AJ Laverty Ted Buehler Patrick VanCamp Margie Webb Liz Hazen Gladys Heinzinger Chuck Boggs ALTAR FLOWERS 5. Lent 12 Lent 19 Lent 28 Lent COMMUNION SERVERS	LITURGISTS 125 John Sweet 12 Billie Fitch 19 Liz Hazen 26 Laurie Englebeck SUNDAY SCHOOL 19	 For the homeless, the hungry and the unemployed. For Peace on Earth! For wisdom for our leaders. For employment for people struggling to find meaningful work. For Healing and provisions for those who are suffering
COUNTERS 5. Lori & Kathi 12. Debbie & Connie 19 Marsha & Diane	26 5 12 USHERS 19 26	 with COVID-19. * For protection of the medical front- line workers who are caring for patients with COVID -19 and variants.
26 Lynn & Betty GREETERS		
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March 5 March 12 Gen 12:1-4a Exod 17:1-7 Ps 121 (UMH 844) Ps 95(UMH81 Rom 4:1-5, 13-17 Rom 5:1-11 John 3:1-17 John 4:5-42	March 19 1 Sam 16:1-13 4) Ps 23 (UMH 754 or 137) Eph 5: 8-14 John 9:1-41	March 26 Ezek 37:1-14 Ps 130(UMH848) Rom 8:6-11 John 11: 1-45

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ISSION

MONTH

CUMC supports three local organizations: OlyCAP, Tri-Area Food Bank and ECHHO. We donate a minimum of \$100 each month to one of these three organizations in addition to donations collected from membership. In 2019 CUMC will begin donating \$100 each month to UMCOR as well to aid in natural disaster relief efforts. Following is the donation schedule for 2019 and the total amount donated each month:

	January	ECHHO	\$ 500.00
	February	Food Bank	\$ 500.00
	March	OlyCAP	\$ 500.00
	April	ECHHO	\$ 500.00
	May	Food Bank	\$ 500.00
	June	OlyCAP	\$ 500.00
	July	ЕСННО	\$ 500.00
	August	Food Bank	\$ 500.00
	September	ECHHO	\$ 500.00
	October	Bayside	\$ 1129.00
	November	Food Bank	\$ 500.00
1	December	ECHHO	\$ 500.00

FINANCE REPORT

By Larry Jensen

Financial Report for Newsletter					
2022 November Year to Date		11/30/22			
Income		\$122,651.26			
Pledges & Identifiable Donors	\$102,200.93				
Other Income	\$20,450.33				
Expenses		\$103,503.00			
Apportionments	\$15,830.98				
Local Program Ministry	\$9,355.03				
Operating Expenses	\$34,395.06				
Personnel Expenses	\$44,200.50				
Accounting Adjustment	-\$278.57				
Difference		\$19,148.26			

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Lent 2023

By Josh Scott

The Sanctuary

I have a confession to make; I am unbelievably scared of heights. TERRIFIED is probably a better word for it. Even if I am in no danger of falling, if I look down, I get dizzy and nauseous. I have no idea how Jesus might have felt about heights, but this particular temptation isn't about facing that fear. The tempter once again zeroes in on Jesus's identity. "Since you are Gods's Son" is less of a statement and more of a question. This time the temptation to somehow prove that he really is the beloved Son involves a direct challenge to the relationship Jesus shared with God. Does God really have your back? If so, "make God prove it". This temptation, no doubt, came again in Gethsemane and then again on Calvary. Is God with you, Jesus? Then prove it. Once again, Jesus responds from a **deep reservoir of trust.** He knows who he is, and he knows and trusts the love of God. The second temptation fails

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