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Emmanuel Community United Methodist Church Monthly Newsletter

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The United Methodist Denomination and ECUMC

You may have heard or seen news about churches leaving our denomination because of its stance on the participation of LGBTQI+ individuals. A Task Force consisting of staff and members of Church Council have developed the plan below that will help us hear everyone's opinion about the issue and understand what it will mean for us to remain United Methodist. The plan has been approved by Council and will be implemented after the New Year, with an intensive focus during the Lenten season. There will be many opportunities for everyone to share their thoughts and goals for this congregation. We look forward to being in conversation together.

LGBTQI+ Discernment Task Force

Plan Goal:

- To reach a consensus on how our church will address the LGBTQI+ issue going forward

Secondary goals:

- To reach and hear as many congregants as we can
- To understand the options for remaining in or disaffiliating from the UMC

Process:

Listening Sessions: A number of people will be available to listen to the opinions and ideas of congregants in a safe, one-on-one meeting. Individuals can choose the person they feel most comfortable with for this interaction. The Pastor, some Staff, and some

Laity will be available in a variety of venues at times of mutual convenience. We want to discern where our church stands on this issue. We want to hear from everyone.

Lenten Series: A series of programs on troubling passages in the Bible will be held Wednesday evenings during Lent in conjunction with a meal. The troubling passages will include those around homosexuality, slavery, women's roles in the church, and interracial/intercultural relationships. Historical/theological information will be provided as well as opportunity for small and large group engagement.

Childcare and activities for children and younger youth will be provided. Older youth are encouraged to attend the sessions with their parents.



"Because of the current deep conflict within The United Methodist Church around issues of human sexuality, a local church shall have a limited right, under the provisions of this paragraph, to disaffiliate ..."

The United Methodist Book of Discipline, ¶2553

The United Methodist Denomination and ECUMC (continued)

Timeline:

- November 2022: Church Council supports the goals and process
- January 2023: Training for people who will be available for listening sessions
- February 2023: Listening sessions begin, continuing through Lent
- February 22, 2023: Ash Wednesday meal and traditional Sanctuary service
- March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023: Lenten meal and Troubling Passages Series
- April 2023: Discernment of consensus based on Listening Sessions, Lenten Series discussions, and information gathered in other ways
- April 2023: Church Council decides the path forward based available data

Task Force Members: Mary Klein, Kelly Kons, Janet Ray, Pastor Jerome, and Anne Weiland

Save The Date

Please reserve Saturday, February 25, 2023, for an ALL-CHURCH Lenten Retreat on the Unity of Our UMC. We are honored to have Our District Superintendent, Rev. Ebenezer Insor, lead this important meeting. Put the date on your calendar. Much more information coming!

Thank-you!

A great big job well done to all the students who participated, sang, and had speaking parts in this year's Sunday School Pageant "New Star." I was so proud of everyone and their willingness to memorize their lines and sing all the songs in such a meaningful and entertaining way. I would especially like to thank co-director Laura Hohl for all she did in planning, directing children, costume and prop selection, snacks, and her amazing creativity. Also, would like to thank two of our youth who stepped up and volunteered to be student directors, Claire Heinen and Anaka Velie. Originally, they were going to be working behind the

scenes with lines, music, costumes, props, stage direction, and small group rehearsal, which they did. In addition, when it became apparent, we did not have enough students to cover the speaking roles, they stepped up and volunteered to take a speaking role as well. I would also like to give a shout out to Stacey Velie for her work with the set and costumes, to Noah Velie for his wonderful lighting design and execution, to Todd Velie for his sound and technical design, to Rosie Jashinsky for accompanying the program, to Jamie and Patrick Froh, and Peg Heinen for the Wednesday meal coordination, to our AV tech team for getting a video of the service out to YouTube, to the families for their efforts in getting their children to rehearsals and for their support and patience, finally I would like to thank the staff and trustees for their patience and assistance. May the message of "New Star" stay with you all year round.

Sing Every Day,

Bill Follmann



Spring Rummage Sale?

We are considering a spring rummage sale on April 22, 2023. This will be a smaller version of the sale with only 4 days of rummage drop off and no furniture. This event provides lots of fun and fellowship, but it also requires lots of volunteers to commit to working the week of April 16 – April 22. We need to know in advance if we have the human power to make this a quality event for the community. Below is a link to a sign-up genius to sign up and commit to helping, you can contact Ginny Patterson at 262-442-7543 or call the church office. If we have enough committed volunteers by February 1, we will have a sale. Here is the link to sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050D4AABA82FA2FF2-rummage>

Pastoral Message

Contact: Pastor Jerome; jeromes@ec-umc.com

The Lord Will Make All Things New!

A new year of the Lord is here: 2023! I would like to wish you a Happy New Year, my friends! Every new year brings new opportunities and challenges, new people, and new ideas into our lives. New forgiveness and new reconciliation, new growing edges and new wisdom, and new hopes and dreams are part of that newness. Most importantly, we have a whole NEW year to "walk humbly" with the Lord with a renewed sense of meekness. I would like to walk us through the teaching of the Holy Scriptures on "newness."

New Covenant — Jeremiah 31:33

"But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people." God is in God's mission here. The beginning of a new year is a good time to reflect on what God is doing in our hearts.

Let us pray with the Psalmist (51:10):

"Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me."

Lord, you are the author, and I am the papyrus—or the iPad. You draw what you want in our lives, so that others will receive your message. You are the artist, God, and our call is to be signs of your peace. If necessary, you will make a new drawing and sign. Let us be open.

New Commandment — John 13:34-35

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

We all know the ten commandments. This time, the Lord Jesus gives a new commandment. That is a commandment to LOVE, not just a request. It is a commandment from the Captain — the Lord. We are to follow this. The beginning of a new year is the best time to reset ourselves, our churches, and our families so that we hear God's commandment anew: Love God and one another; Love our

neighbors, guests, and strangers; Love our enemies and adversaries; And love ourselves. A kiss, hug, card, gift, letter, caring email, listening moment, visit, meal, prayer, cup of coffee, flowers, etc.— all of these are God's gifts for the expression of love. They are many! Challenging the evil structures of racism, violence, war, vicious poverty, and climate injustice are a few among many prophetic expressions of love. You can think of other expressions of love as well: smile, watch for a hummingbird, and enjoy a lily. Let this be a year of love!

New Self — 2 Corinthians 5:17

"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; look, new things have come into being!"

If you are in Christ, you have to constantly be in the business of emptying your old self, old being, and old baggage. If you are in Christ, it is no longer you who lives but rather Christ lives in you. That is what Saint Paul teaches. We must pray for the renewal of our spirits every day and grow in that newness of the Lord. Lord has new garments for us, let's dress up with peace, compassion, and a spirit of loving kindness in the new year.

New Creation — Revelation 21:5

"And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.'"

Also, he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.'"

Perhaps this is the scariest of all. Are we ready to be part of the vision of Saint John the apostle and be a partner in a new creation—the new heaven and new earth that God is molding? In spite of what's going on in the world, God, the potter, is making all things new. Let's capture that spirit and vision this new year as a Christian community and disciples of Jesus Christ. Y'all are set to go!

Happy NEW YEAR! Have a blessed year of the LORD, ministry, service, life, and witness. Thanks, y'all!

Rev. Dr. Jerome Sahabandhu

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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Thank You

Thank you to all who participated in this year's Christmas Pageant "New Star"!

Sunday School Schedule

8:30 AM—9:15 AM Sunday School -
Dropoff locations for each child can be found in the classroom hallway
9:15 AM—9:30 AM Children's Choir -
Please pick up your child in the children's choir room after the Sanctuary Service.

January 8th – All Sunday school
breakfast 8:30 – 9:15
January 15th – 1st through 12th grade
MOVIE MATINEE and LUNCH



January 15th Sunday School Event

Starting the 15th of January, we will be kicking off our once-a-month children's and youth ministries event with a few movies and lunch. The matinee will start just after the celebration service, so make sure to bring a blanket and some comfy clothes! We will be providing lunch and snack for all who come! These events will take place during the third weekend of every month, lasting around 2 to 2.5 hours, so bring a friend!

Volunteer Opportunity

Looking for volunteer opportunities in the Menomonee Falls community? Are you a student in need of additional volunteering hours? Our neighbors "The Promised Land Ranch" in Menomonee Falls offer weekly opportunities (typically on Saturday mornings) to lend a hand and get involved. If you are interested in helping with cleanup or repair projects for a one time or on a continual basis, please contact Matt Kons (kons22@yahoo.com) who can help connect or coordinate the ways you'd like to volunteer in the coming weeks.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

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January resolutions-- it's *that* time of year. If you are not already giving online, please consider making it one of your New Year's resolutions! This is one you can keep. Go to the GIVE button on the website of the church to set up recurring giving and a dollar amount. If you have any issues, please feel free to call me for assistance (320-309-2003). Generosity is not a big check; rather, it is weekly increments that you resolve to give to God in 2023. If you have not already pledged, consider giving an additional \$5 or \$12 or \$19 (whatever is 1% of your income) over and above your giving last year. If most giving units increased their giving in this way, our church would close the budget gap. More importantly, our congregation would be able to feed the hungry, help the poor, send youth on mission trips, sponsor missionaries and do good in many other ways. Isn't this why we are a church?

With Gratitude,
Anna M. Thompson
2023 Stewardship Chair

YOUTH MINISTRIES

Contact: Bill Follmann; BillF@ec-umc.com

Youth are going to Camp Lake Lucerne for Winter Camp!

Youth 6 through 12th grade are heading to a Wisconsin Conference state-wide winter camp January 20-22. We will be joining other



groups from around the state and is a chance to connect in community at camp while enjoying all

the winter activities both indoor and outdoor including sledding, broomball, indoor large group games, camp-style worship, faith exploration and so much more. See Bill for more information.

Movie Time!

Sunday January 15th Youth and Children's ministries are teaming up to put together a Sunday Cinema Spectacular. Immediately following the 9:45 worship in Celebration Hall we will start two movies somewhere between 10:45 and 11 am, one aimed at students 4K through 5th grade and one more appropriate for youth, 6-12th grades. We will also have a lunch and "movie food" to make the event more festive. Look for more details in the bulletin, in the weekly e-news and on the face-book pages.

Sing Every Day,
Bill Follmann

MUSIC MINISTRIES

Contact: Bill Follmann; BillF@ec-umc.com

Beginning Handbell Workshop

Did you miss our first handbell workshop? Did you love our first workshop and want to play more? It's not too late to try handbells! Perhaps you want to try them out before committing to one of our handbell groups?

We will be having a Beginning Handbell workshop which will meet Sundays at 10:45 in the music room beginning Sunday, March 12. We will conclude the workshop by playing at a service April.



This workshop is for everyone, young and old alike!

We will learn basic handbell techniques and play some fun music, so come and join us!

If you have any questions, please contact Amy Bell at (262)628-7746 or jonamybell@sbcglobal.net

MISSIONS and MINISTRIES

Pam Laurion; pbslaur@aol.com

Northcott and Angel Tree

Thank you to all who donated Christmas gifts to Angel Tree and coats to Northcott Neighbor Center. We were able to help 14 children of incarcerated parents celebrate Christmas and sent 5 coats (and counting) to Northcott.

Harvest Brunch

The official total for the Harvest Brunch \$2016.55 and was broken down as such:
\$1281.55 Harvest Brunch donations
\$735.00 from Sew N Sews

Menomonee Falls Food Pantry

The Food Pantry is in need of boxed cereal. If you are able, please drop them off at church. Also, I am looking for anyone that would like to volunteer at the Pantry. Our Church works 4 times a year on Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information or to sign up, please call Barb Kumrow at 262-251-5949. Thank You

Women's Ministry

Next Book Study - "Be the Bridge: Pursuing God's Heart for Racial Reconciliation" by Latasha Morrison. Wednesdays 7:00 PM in Fellowship Hall Starts 1/11/2023

This book is the foundation of a global movement called "Be the Bridge"—a nonprofit organization whose goal is to equip the church to have a distinctive and transformative response to racism and racial division. *Be the Bridge* presents a compelling vision of what it means for every follower of Jesus to become a bridge builder—committed to pursuing justice and racial unity in light of the gospel. We hope you will join us for this book study!

You can order the book [here](#).
RSVP at pegheinen@yahoo.com

Celebrate with the Missions Team!

2022 was a very successful year for our Missions Team. Not only did ECUMC step up and kindly support many worthwhile projects and organizations, but there were many hands-on events that members generously gave their time to participate in.

Here are just some of the ways ECUMC shared our gifts this year:

- A mission trip to **Honduras**, Support of **Becas**;
- Financial and volunteer hours at Menomonee Falls **Food Pantry**;
- Food Preparation and volunteer hours at the **Community Banquet**;
- Financial support to Milwaukee **Habitat for Humanity**;
- Many meals for the homeless distributed through **Summerfield UMC** (and mittens, jackets, long underwear, etc.);
- Angel Tree gifts for **Prison Fellowship**;
- Financial donation to **Northcott Neighborhood House** as well as multiple trips before Christmas to wrap presents for their Christmas Celebration;
- Serving clients from **United Methodist Children's Services (UMCS)** at their neighborhood Chili Contest, and their Christmas Celebration; financial support totaling \$2016.55 from Harvest Brunch and Sew and Sews donations.

That's not even all! Watch for more fun opportunities in 2023!



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Pam Laurion; pbslaur@aol.com

A TASTE OF HONDURAS DINNER

Saturday, January 14, 2023, at 5 PM

- 1, 2, or 3 corn/flour tortilla tacos
- beef, chicken, or cheese
- rice and beans
- guacamole
- salsa & chips
- Dessert

A family event! Donate-what-you-choose. There will be a short program with video.

Proceeds will support *Hearts and Hands for Honduras* which operates two feeding centers (up to 150 children per day), supports a school for special needs children, coordinates sponsorship of nearly 125 children to attend school, and partners with the local school, church, and hospital, amongst many other outreach ministries.

Please RSVP at <https://forms.gle/uFqHjwfTgFRaQnaw8> or contact Shelley Botchek at shelley@botchek.com or 262-389-0213.

Walk-ins are welcome! Please join us!

HONDURAS MISSION TRIP

May 20th to May 27th, 2023

Information Meeting:
January 22nd, 2023, at 10:45 AM at ECUMC

First Team Meeting:
February 5th at 10:45 AM at ECUMC

Deadlines for **commitments** to the Team: February 1st, 2023

Please contact Shelley Botchek at shelley@botchek.com or 262-389-0213 with questions.



ECUMC Presenting a Check to Northcott Neighborhood House

Community Banquet

ECUMC is scheduled to do the cleanup after the Community Banquet on Thursday, January 12th. **Could you help for about an hour from 6:00-7:00?** If so, please contact Jean Reif at 262-224-3699 or jereif9@gmail.com.

The Community Banquet is a free meal program hosted at St. James Church in Menomonee Falls. Several area churches including our own share in handling the setup, desserts, cleanup, and cooking on a rotational basis throughout the year. This is an important mission in helping area folks on a tight budget as well as creating an opportunity for sharing and fellowship. The Community Banquet is a free meal offered twice a month. In existence a little more than five years, its purpose is to serve nutritious, hot meals to anyone who chooses to attend. The meal provides not only food but fellowship. We welcome new people to help with these tasks at any time during the year.

Your support of this program is much appreciated!

Slice and Bake Coconut Shortbread



Ingredients:

- 1 cup butter, softened
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1-3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 cup sweetened shredded coconut

Directions:

In a large bowl, cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy, 5-7 minutes. Beat in vanilla. Gradually beat flour into creamed mixture. Stir in coconut. Using a sheet of waxed paper, shape dough into a 12x3x1-in. rectangle. Wrap in waxed paper; refrigerate 3 hours or overnight. Preheat the oven to 300°. Unwrap and cut dough crosswise into 1/4-in. slices. Place 1 in. apart on ungreased baking sheets. Bake until the edges are light golden, 18-20 minutes. Cool on pans for 5 minutes. Remove to wire racks to cool.

A Recipe Shared
by Donna Baumgartner



Poinsettia Thank You Note

The worship committee would like to thank everyone for all the donations of flowers to decorate our church. They really made the church look festive for the holiday season. Some of the flowers were asked to be given to our shut-ins and elderly members. We know that they will enjoy them long after the holidays. Thank you!

BASIC LAY SERVANT MINISTRY CLASS On-Line via Zoom

Leader: Rev. Amy Powell

Day One: Friday, January 13, 2023,
6pm to 9pm

Day Two: Saturday, January 14, 2023,
9am to 3pm

You must register and participate in both the Friday evening and Saturday class in order to receive a completion certificate!

The United Methodist Church recognizes that ministry is not only a clergy endeavor. God calls all Christians to their own unique service. The Basic Lay Servant Class is the entry course to Lay Servant Ministry. Lay Servant Ministry classes are designed to help laity discover and/or further explore their own unique call-in serving God, neighbor, and the greater church.

Class Book: Each person will need to purchase their own book prior to the start of class. The class book is *Lay Servant Ministries: Basic Course Participant's Book* by Sandy Jackson. It can be ordered at cokesbury.com or amazon.com.

Technology: Each participant will need good internet access and access to a computer equipped with web camera and microphone sound. There is no need to purchase a Zoom subscription. A class link will be sent to you via email prior to class.

Deadline: January 6, 2023

Register here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0548AAA82CA1F94-basic>

Questions: Contact Rev. Amy via email powellmama@gmail.com or call 608-220-5873.

JANUARY

UMC CREATION JUSTICE TIPS

Feeling overwhelmed by all that needs to be done to protect the planet and its people? Imagine a huge bowl of something you'd like to eat. You take a bite and then another bite—not the whole thing at once. **Choose one action you can do and do it.** Don't stop there. Take on another "bite," and then another. You are making a difference.

Bringing about a better environment for all requires individual choices *and group effort*. **Power up for change with a group.** Join your church's green team or a national organization, like Interfaith Power and Light, Sierra Club, or the Ocean Conservancy. Or pull together a small group of folks willing to work locally. Start by reading [what Margaret Mead says](#) about a small group of committed people.

Moving or decluttering? Keep in mind that 146 million tons of solid waste goes in to landfills in the U.S. every year. Imagine that! Located in "someone else's backyard," landfills are notorious for environmental injustice and for methane, which contributes to global warming. Look for alternatives. **Donate, rehome, or recycle instead of trashing.**

When you need to return an item of clothing you bought online, do you imagine it is handled with care and eventually sold to someone else? Unfortunately, much of what is sent back gets sent on to landfills. Before you buy, take your measurements, use the size charts, and rely on customer reviews. **Before you return anything,** check with friends. Perhaps they would add the

piece to their wardrobe if it's right for them.

It's a new political year, a new opportunity for you to urge local, state, and federal lawmakers to act on behalf of Earth. Describe your vision for change. Even if you do not know the details of what legislation or policy is needed, you can speak as a person of faith, as an advocate for God's creation. **Ask those in power to support what you value.**

Imagine your home as warm as you need it to be without costing you or Earth a penalty. Reap the advantages of a [smart thermostat](#) for heating and cooling or add weather stripping or caulking around windows and doors, thermal drapes or blinds, and insulation. **These relatively inexpensive changes pay off rapidly for you and for future generations** of earth-dwellers too.

Crosstalk Book Discussion

The Crosstalk group has made plans for a new book, High Conflict: Why We Get Trapped and How We Can Get Out, to discuss in January. It looks at stories of individuals and groups who get trapped in conflict that is damaging to themselves and others, and how they find ways out of such conflict. The result is not avoiding all conflict but approaching it in a way that allows for discussion and human growth.

This fascinating book has a strong message for the times in which we live and is open to anyone who would like to participate. The study begins on January 10th and will meet each Tuesday at 4:30 at UNO'S restaurant for six weeks. Contact Doug Walters at doug3walters@gmail.com with questions.

A Note from the Office

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I'm going to be honest with you. I am feeling the combination of Post-Christmas letdown and a sadness that my last few days of working at ECUMC are here. I have enjoyed working at ECUMC. Spending time with the people of ECUMC has been my favorite part of my job. When people stop in to share news, chat about things happening in their lives, or simply say hello — it's wonderful! Of all the things I will miss about being at ECUMC, it will be the people. The YAHAS, the Bible Study participants, the offertory counters, the Sew & Sews, the Community Care Team, and the volunteers of the church have the biggest hearts. Thank you for always making me feel appreciated and cared for.

Thank you to Gary Morgan and David Rohr for making sure that things get fixed. Usually that was before I even know they weren't working. I'd particularly like to thank Deb Prickett for not only training me when I first started, but for volunteering to help fill in once I leave. I don't know of a more helpful person at ECUMC. Thank you to Patti Rohr for coming in to clean after all of us use the building. She does more than we even realize. A building as big as this isn't easy to maintain and she does a great job! Thank you to the staff of ECUMC — this includes Karen Burzinski, Pastor Sean Cornell, and Angie Sardina. If I had a question, they helped me find a solution. They were patient when I made a mistake, and they always tried to make my job easier.

Pastor Jerome has become a great friend and mentor. He prayerfully considers every person and every possible outcome in a situation. "Full of gratitude, grace, and patience" are words I would use to describe him.

What is ahead for me? On January 10th, I am traveling to Florida with my daughter. My father lives there and he is having heart surgery as I type this.

In short: I don't know. I have a few things I'd like to do in 2023. In fact, I have started a list. These are things I would consider half on my "bucket list" but mostly things I want to see if they turn into a hobby. Among the items on my list are:

- Learn to make the perfect loaf of bread (I didn't try during Covid)
- Learn to crochet a basic square
- Read the entire works of H. Thurman
- Clean out my basement
- Tune up my bicycle and ride it for a 10-mile trip before the end of 2023
- Go geocaching
- Eat a meal under the Christmas Tree in the Walnut Room of Macy's in Chicago
- Learn to sew the right way
- Recycle more
- Grow herbs year-round hydroponically
- Find recipes that prove I can like mushrooms, olives, peaches, watermelon, bleu cheese, squash, and kale (not all at once!)
- Travel
- Find an opportunity to volunteer which gives me purpose
- Express more gratitude
- Play a video game from start to finish

And most importantly, keep in touch with my friends at ECUMC.

My information is below. I would like very much to hear from you. Tell me about your adventures to the Northwoods. Tell me what your kids and grandkids are doing. Share your struggles and your joys. I will subscribe to eNews, but it's not the same as our face-to-face chats.

With much gratitude,

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YAHAS

Contact: Mary Jo Karnath; akarnath@wi.rr.com

YAHA's will meet on Tuesday, January 17 (PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DAY!).

We will enjoy a talk by Kevin Schumacher on their trip to Iceland. "If You Like Waterfalls, This Place is for You." Arrive after 11:00 am. Bring a can of chicken soup for a Soup Dump. We will plan to eat at 11:30 AM. ALL are invited!

Books Between Bites

Contact: Mary Jo Karnath; akarnath@wi.rr.com

On, January 20th, we will meet at 1:00 PM at Ally's for lunch. We are reading "Swimming Lessons" by Mary Alice Monroe. Our evening group will meet on January 24th at The Waterlin Restaurant at the Delta-Marriott Hotel on Main Street in Menomonee Falls.

Women's Ministry

Contact: Beth Kring; kringbeth1@gmail.com

Please come join Women's Ministry on Saturday, January 21 at 9:00 AM for crafts and conversation. If you have any questions, please send Beth Kring an email at kringbeth1@gmail.com.

CONTACT THE PASTOR

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*Please reach out if you need pastoral care (in person or remotely).
We want to help.*

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ALL MEMBER CONTACT DATA UPDATE

We are transferring membership data into our new Realm software. Would you please help us by making certain that your contact information is correct and current?

There are 2 ways to do this.

1. Email the names, addresses, telephone contacts, and email to: Church@ec-umc.com.

2. Call the church at 262-251-3830 to update this information.

Thank you for helping us!

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Please share times and dates of meetings. The online calendar is the most up-to-date listing of events — only if groups, teams, and committees share their meeting information along with any changes.

Here is the link to the ECUMC Calendar:

<https://www.ec-umc.com/calendar/>

SAY IT WITH FLOWERS!

Judy Newman; Newman9641@aol.com

Are you interested in having flowers placed on the altar in the Sanctuary or in Celebration Hall to celebrate a milestone or to honor a loved one? The new 2023 Flower Reservation Chart is out! Please contact the office or Judy Newman at newman9641@aol.com or (414)861-8134.

Don't forget that the first Sunday of the month is when we share **ONE UNIFIED COMMUNION SERVICE**. This takes place in the Sanctuary. Following the service, we participate in an All-Ages Intergenerational learning experience and then a meal. We would love to see you!

January 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 — Covenant Sunday 8:30 AM Sanctuary Communion Sunday Worship	2 OFFICE CLOSED 9:30 AM Sew & Sews 6:30 PM Ministry Teams	3 10:30 AM Staff Mtg. 6:30 PM Children's Ministry Team Mtg. 6:30 PM Spirit Ringers	4 10 AM Bible Study 6:30 PM Prayer Group (Z) 6:30 PM Trustees Mtg.	5 6 PM Men's Choir 6:30 PM Women's Choir 7 PM Chancel Choir	6 Office Closed 10 AM Bible Study (Z)	7
8 8 AM Sanctuary Worship 8:30 AM Sunday School 9:45 AM Celebration Worship 5:30 PM Confirmation	9 9 AM Offertory Counters 5:30 PM Stewardship Mtg. (Z) 7:00 PM Finance Mtg.	10 10:30 AM Staff Mtg. 4:30PM Cross Talk 6 PM Spirit Ringers	11 10 AM Bible Study 6:30 PM Prayer Group (Z)	12 6 PM Women's Choir 6:30 PM Men's Choir 7 PM Chancel Choir	13 Office Closed 10 AM Bible Study (Z)	14 10 AM Taste of Honduras Prep and Set- Up
15 Pathways Deadline 8:30 AM Sanctuary Worship 8:30 AM Sunday School 9:45 AM Celebration Worship 5:30 PM Confirmation 5:30 PM Taste of Honduras	16 9:30 AM Community Care Meeting 7 PM Church Council	17 10:30 AM Staff Mtg. 11:30 AM YAHAS 4:30 PM Cross Talk 6:30 PM Spirit Ringers 6:30 PM SPRC	18 10 AM Bible Study 6:30 PM Prayer Group (Z)	19 6 PM Men's Choir 6:30 PM Women's Choir 7 PM Chancel Choir	20 Office Closed Youth Winter Retreat 10 AM Bible Study 1 PM B/B 7 PM Game Night	21 Youth Winter Retreat 9 AM Craft Morning
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