



FIRST LIGHT

E-NEWS FROM MUNCY FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Worship Information For December

Please note that the following changes to our normal worship times will take place over the Christmas season.

Worship services on December 19th: There will be NO 8:15 a.m. worship service on December 19th. There also will be no live streamed service on December 19th. Please join us at the 9:30 a.m. contemporary service in the Living Water Café and/or during either of the cantata services in the sanctuary at 10:45 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. The cantata will be recorded and copies will be available from the church office upon request.

Worship service on December 26th: There will be **ONE** combined worship service on December 26th at **9:30 a.m.** in the sanctuary. This service will be live streamed.

UMW News

Submitted by Gail Pentz



The United Methodist Women will be hosting a Christmas party/luncheon at Park Place on Tuesday, December 14th. We will meet at 11:30 a.m. at Park Place. If you are not attending and have signed up to provide items for the party, please put them in the church kitchen no later than 10:30 a.m. on that date. Please be sure to label them for UMW. Any questions, please contact Gail Pentz at 570-546-3998.

The United Methodist Women would like to thank the congregation for their recent generous contributions to the World Thank Offering. A total of **\$1,624.24** has been received! Thanks to everyone for being a blessing to others.

Reminders:

- Touch-A-Heart gifts are due back by December 12th.

-Parent's Night Out is scheduled for December 10th (tonight) 6:00-8:00 p.m.

-*One Starry Night*, the JAM Ministries Christmas program, will be performed in the sanctuary beginning at 6:00 p.m. on December 12th. A birthday party for Jesus will follow in the Welcome Center. All are encouraged to come support the children. This service will NOT be live streamed.

-2022 offering envelopes are available in the Welcome Center.

-Weis Market gift cards are available in the church office. These cards are to be handed out to shoppers in the Muncy Weis Market during the holiday season. Contact Joyce McCarty with questions at 570-546-8910 joyce.mccarty4@gmail.com

-U.S. Marine Corp Reserves Toys for Tots toy drive donations are due December 13th.

-The "Let There Be Christmas" cantata will be presented on December 19th during the 10:45 a.m. worship service and again at 2:00 p.m.

-Christmas Eve services will be 3:30 p.m. (family oriented) and 8:00 p.m. (with communion). The 8:00 service will be live streamed.

Rich Pursel Honored for Service to Church

Submitted by Karen Barraco

Candy Winters presented the Special Mission Recognition pin and certificate on behalf of United Methodist Women to Rich Pursel on Sunday, November 21st. You will see Rich on Sundays in the choir and in Sunday school, but, if you stop by the church during the week, you will most likely see him working throughout the building on all types of projects, helping in the kitchen or attending meetings. Rich is also a valuable leader with our Memorial Garden and Columbarium. His servant heart is a witness to his faith and commitment to our Lord. Thank you, Rich!



God Squad “Sweetens” the Season

35 youth and adult helpers joined together in the church kitchen on December 5th to bake Christmas cookies and to fellowship. In the end, they had 60 dozen cookies which the students distributed to people to “sweeten” their day. Great job, God Squad! And thank you to all the adult helpers!

