



FIRST LIGHT

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Harvest Home Collection

Pastor Rick is asking that we collect non-perishable food items over the next two Sundays as part of our "Harvest Home" service which will take place on November 20th. In consultation with Son Light House Ministries, we have decided to focus on the following items: **cereal, boxed potatoes, boxed stuffing, and canned goods.**

If you would like to participate, bring in any of the items listed above from now until November 20th and place them either in the front of the sanctuary or on the coffee bar in the Living Water Café.



**VOLUNTEER
BELL RINGERS
NEEDED!**

Ring a bell...help change a life

Salvation Army Red Kettle Bell Ringers Needed

Volunteers are needed to ring the bell for the Salvation Army on Friday, December 9th, at Sam's Club in Muncy. Bell ringers are needed for 1-hour time slots from 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. Giving an hour of your time to support this worthy cause is a great way to bring meaning to the holiday season. You can sign up for 1 or more hours at the Connection Tables beginning Sunday, November 13th. Sign up early to get a time that works best for you! Contact Bob Webb at 570-447-2462 or bswebb@windstream.net if you have questions or if you cannot sign up in person.

World Thank Offering

Submitted by Karen Barraco

In this season of thanksgiving and hope, we thank God for our blessings through our prayers and our giving. For those of you who have been collecting coins in your World Thank Offering bank this year, please bring your bank to church on Sunday, Nov. 20th. The United Methodist Women's group is not leading a special worship service this year, so simply place your bank on the carts provided near the Connection Tables. Anyone wishing to write a check should make it payable to First United Methodist Church. We are grateful for your gifts of gratitude which will be used to support mission institutions in the United States and around the world.



B2B Blessed to be a Blessing



Thank you to everyone who participated in our Operation Christmas Child Shoebox collection. We collected 108 shoeboxes which

will bring joy to 108 children. Please pray that the boxes are received as an expression of our Christian love for them.

And thank you to everyone who donated to the East Lycoming Cluster UMCOR Flood



Bucket supply collection. The Cluster collected lots of rubber gloves, sponges, scrub brushes, dust/mold masks and fully assembled flood buckets. Those supplies will head to the Mission Central hub in Bloomsburg and ultimately to the UMCOR warehouse.



Welcome our newest member, Robert "Bob" Dewitt. Bob lives in Muncy and attends the 8:15 worship service.

Reminders:

-The church-wide Advent Study is "Making Room: Sharing the Love of Christmas." You can sign up for one of the 6 classes offered by using [this link](#) or by using the sign-up sheets on the Connection Tables. Study books will be available on the Connection Tables for a suggested donation of \$10.00. **Please give these donations to your teacher at the first class session.**

-GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays is a special one-time session for those struggling with loss during the holiday season. The meeting will be Tuesday, November 15th 6:30-8:30 in the Living Water Café.

-Touch-A-Heart: There are sign up sheets on each Connection Table for you to sign up to be a part of this holiday ministry. You can sign up to receive a gift tag for either a child or a senior citizen. The tags will be available beginning November 20th. Once you receive a tag, you will then shop for the person listed on the tag and return the gifts by December 11th. Children's gifts should be wrapped but senior citizen gifts should be unwrapped. You may also donate monetary gifts for this ministry. Contact Candy Winters with questions 570-546-3963.

-We will collect new, unwrapped toys for **Toys For Tots** until December 11th. The collection bin is located under the coat rack outside the Living Water Café.

-The JAM Ministry is looking for more volunteers to help in the nursery during the 10:30-11:45 time slot. Contact JAM at jam@firstumcmuncy.org or call the church office to volunteers.

-This Sunday, November 13th, The Mission and Outreach team will be handing out gift cards to be given to shoppers in Weis Market during the Thanksgiving shopping season.

-Parent's Night Out: This event will be held on November 25th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. It will serve as a dress rehearsal for the JAM Christmas program and a night when parents can get a little Christmas shopping done or have a quiet dinner.