



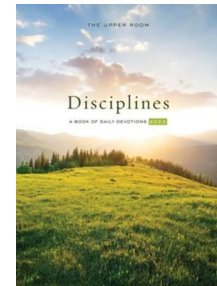
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2023 “Disciplines” Devotional

There are order sheets on each of the Connection Tables for the 2023 “Disciplines” daily devotional. The suggested donation for these books is \$12.00. Please sign up by December 4th to ensure you get a copy. Call the church office if you have questions.

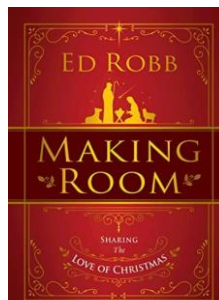


Eaken Piano Trio Concert

First UMC Muncy and the Muncy Historical Society are partnering to present the renowned, Grammy-nominated Eaken Piano Trio in a program of classical and holiday favorites. The Eaken Piano Trio has performed throughout the United States, Europe and China. Members include pianist Gary Boerckel, cellist Andrew Rammon, and violinist Emily Karosas Konkle. The concert will be presented in the sanctuary at **3:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 4th**. This concert is free to the public. Help spread the word by inviting your family and friends. If you wish to help provide hospitality for this event by acting as a door keeper or parking lot attendant, please speak to Barry Grove.

Advent Studies Begin Next Week

“Our society has slowly drifted away from the practice of the love and inclusion that Jesus modeled. Isolation and division seem to be the rule rather than the exception. It is up to us, as God’s people, to turn this situation around.” — Ed Robb, author of “Making Room: Sharing the Love of Christmas”



Have you signed up for an Advent study group? Have you invited someone to come with you? Six groups are available. You can sign up on Sunday at the Connection Tables or [online](#).



Due to snowy weather, the GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays meeting has been rescheduled for Tuesday, November 22nd from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Living Water Café.

2023 Altar Flowers

The 2023 Altar Flower Sponsor sign-up sheet is now in the Welcome Center. The suggested donation for sponsoring a week is \$35.00. You can sponsor a week in honor of a loved one, in memory of a loved one or to the glory of God.



Reminders:

-We will take a **Harvest Home Collection** this Sunday, November 20th to benefit Son Light House. We are specifically asking for cereal, boxed stuffing, boxed potatoes, and canned goods. Bring your offerings to the front of the Sanctuary or to the coffee bar in the Living Water Café.

-The **World Thank Offering** collection banks will be collected this Sunday, November 20th at the upstairs Connection Table. If you wish to write a check for this collection, please make the check payable to First United Methodist Church.

-We will ring the bell for the **Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign** at Sam's Club on Friday, December 9th from 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. We still need to fill four 1-hour time slots. You can sign up on the Connection Tables. Contact Bob Webb at 570-447-2462 or bswebb@windstream.net if you have questions or can not sign up in person.

-**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 are available on the Connection Tables for a suggested donation of \$10.00. **Please give these donations to your teacher at the first class session.**

-**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 are collecting 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 volunteer.

-**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.