



## Wesley United Methodist Church

“Building Bridges between Christ and Community”

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**MERRY CHRISTMAS!** And **HAPPY NEW YEAR** to all of our church friends and family!



**UMW Cookies for Coffee Hour —Dec 3rd.** If you are so inclined, please bring 1-2 dozen homemade cookies and copies of the recipe to coffee hour. Then, if anyone wants the recipe after tasting your delicious cookie, they will know how to make them!

**If you cannot bake, then please bring something to share as usual.**



**UMW SECRET SANTA REMINDER!**  
**First mailbox gift---December 3<sup>rd</sup>! Be sneaky!**





**IMPORTANT MEETING FOR ALL WESLEY LEADERS----- DEC. 3<sup>RD</sup>—2 PM!**

Meet in the Sanctuary for the first meeting with the First United Methodist Church, Brighton.



**GET READY FOR CHRISTMAS!**

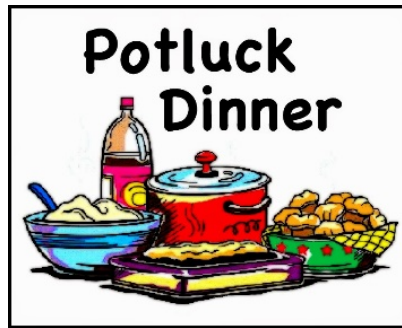
St Mary's Catholic Church Craft Show  
10601 Dexter-Pinckney Rd, Pinckney  
**Sat, Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**10 AM-4 PM**



**First Sunday of Advent**  
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**DECEMBER 3RD!**





**POT LUCK THIS MONTH!**

**Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>!**

There will be a sign-up sheet going around in order to make this a special holiday luncheon.

Please sign up for a dish to pass and bring your appetite!



### **COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE DECEMBER**

03 **UMW BRING COOKIES!**

10 POT LUCK

17 Sher and Nora

24 \_\_\_\_\_

31 Pat and Laurie



**POINSETTIA SALE!**

**Sunday December 10<sup>th</sup>!**

Ruth Schauer will be taking orders for these lovely holiday plants again this year! They will be placed on the alter until Christmas and then you will be able to take them home for the rest of the season.

Money received will go into Wesley's general fund. Price: \$11.



**WESLEY SING-A-LONG!**

  
**Sing-along**

**Dec. 17th, 4 PM!**

You don't have to sing well to enjoy our Christmas sing-a-long, you just have to like to sing!

Plus, you don't even have to know all the words, we give you a song book to follow!



**BRRRRR...**

**FIRST DAY OF WINTER---DECEMBER 21ST**



**WESLEY CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES**

Come celebrate our dear Savior's birth!

**Sunday, Dec 24<sup>th</sup>**

**7 PM**



*Our Deepest  
Sympathy*

To the family of Mary Jane Kidder. Mary Jane was a member of our church but had moved to live with her family up north several years ago. Our sincere condolences.





## REGENCY NURSING HOME SOCK DRIVE

Start buying socks (men's and women's) to donate to the Regency Nursing Home, Whitmore Lake. We did this last year and it was a big hit! We also signed cards so that everyone there got a card and a new pair of socks. Place socks in the marked box in the Narthex.



## FEED THE HUNGRY

**FOOD DONATION** — The drop box for food has been moved upstairs. This box is for donations to the Whitmore Lake food pantry. Please be sure to check the dates on what you donate, as past dated food will not be accepted. And please, this is a donation box. Do not take items for your personal use. Thanks!



## GIVE TO WHITMORE LAKE SCHOOLS--

is now upstairs. This is an on-going donation to the Whitmore Lake schools, and please, do not take items from the box for your own personal use.



## UPDATE: WARM CLOTHING DRIVE FOR THE HOMELESS

We are NO LONGER collecting warm clothing. All that we collected, plus the fleece clothing left over from the Flea Market will be donated to the First United Methodist Church in Brighton. They distribute clothing to the homeless in Detroit. Our clothing will be a welcomed addition to what they already have collected. Thanks to all who have donated this year!





## December Birthdays!

08 Rose Phillips

21 David Schauer, Jr.

11 Sophia Turri

28 Sandy Pfaff

13 Missy Saxon

29 Elline Shelden



## SOME THING NEW!!!



Beginning in January, on the last Sunday of each month, we will be having a church birthday party to celebrate those who have had birthdays that month. Thank you to Ruth and Carl Schauer who will generously provide a cake to enjoy during coffee hour. Each birthday person will also receive a flower on the day of the celebration, also supplied by Carl and Ruth!  
What fun! Thank you!

**COMMUNION SUNDAYS**—1st Sunday of each month.

Next communion, Dec 3rd.





Regency Nursing Home Games Night  
Tuesday, Dec 5<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM

If you can help, please contact June at: 734-426-2264.



NORTH POLE NIGHT AT THE WHITMORE LAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL!

Dec 8<sup>th</sup>, 6-8 PM, WL Elem School, Barker Rd.

Children of all ages gather together at the school for holiday fun! The public is welcome to join in the fun! Wesley UMW will be presenting a booth to represent Wesley United Methodist Church. During this time, we are allowed to hand out fliers and invite children to come to Sunday school. We will also be doing a craft with the kids.



AD COUNCIL/FINANCE MEETING—

Dec 12th--2nd Tuesday of each month. 6:30PM.

Come and keep track of how the church is doing behind the scenes!





## TRUSTEES MEETING—

Dec 18<sup>th</sup>, 7PM. Remember: all church activities must be approved by the Board of Trustees.  
Bring your ideas and/or concerns regarding the building & maintenance to them.

If you would like to become a Trustee, please express an interest in doing so. Come to the meetings and make a difference! Trustees meet every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 PM in the Mary Martha Room.



**Tuesday**—Alcoholics Anonymous—7:30 PM

\*NOTE: Starting Jan 1, 2018, AA will be meeting upstairs in the room next to Pastor Fred's Office. The Boy Scouts will be holding a meeting downstairs in the Fellowship Hall.

**Wednesday**—Narcotics Anonymous---7PM

**Thursday**—Samaritan Counseling—by appointment (734) 677-0609.



**UMW Meeting**---Sunday, Dec 17<sup>th</sup> after worship service! The officers were recently elected for next year and will be sworn in during Jan. They are:

President: Darla Miller  
Vice President: April Schauer  
Secretary: June Possley  
Treasurer: Laurie Clement





THANK  
YOU!

To the **UMW ladies** who baked cookies for coffee hour!

To **everyone** who helped out this past year on our many events and/or projects! God bless you, everyone!

Although we will no longer be having games night at the church, we want to thank **Karen Smith** for chairing games night for many years!

To **all** who presented coffee hour this past year!

To **all** who worked on the committee and/or represented the church at North Pole Night at the WL Elem School!

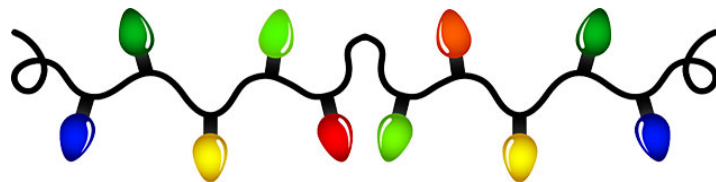
To **Darla Miller, Gay Pawlak, Laurie Clement and June Possley** who recently presented the funeral luncheon for Mary Jane Kidder's family.

To **Darla Miller, April Schauer, Gay Pawlak, Judy Allen, Laurie Clement and June Possley, Russ Possley and Dennis Leland** who organized and worked the Craft show, Silent Auction and Luncheon!

Thank you to **Dennis Leland, June Possley and Darla Miller** for donating items to the Silent Auction!

To **Nora Post, Judy Allen, June & Russ Possley, Max Groeteka, and Gay Pawlak** who watered and weeded the church grounds this past summer, for **Nora Post** who took the lead in this busy project.

To **Carl Schauer** for shoveling and salting last winter





WHAT'S COOKIN'?

SUBMITTED BY: Darla Miller

Face it, no one wants to spend a lot of time cooking breakfast on Christmas morning! This recipe allows you to quickly pop it in the oven and enjoy a cup of coffee while it's baking!



## Christmas Breakfast Casserole



- 7 Eggs
  - 1/4 cup Milk
  - 1 16 ounce package Refrigerated Flaky Biscuit Dough, Cut into 1 1/2 inch pieces
  - 1 1/2 cups Sharp Cheddar Cheese, Shredded
  - 4 Green Onions, Chopped
  - 6-8 slices Bacon, Cooked, drained on paper towels, and cut into 1 inch pieces
1. Preheat the oven to 350°F and lightly grease a 9 X 13 casserole dish.
  2. In a large bowl beat together the eggs and milk. Add in the biscuit pieces, cheese, onions, and bacon and gently turn everything over in the bowl to evenly coat.
  3. Pour everything into the prepared baking dish and bake for 25 - 30 minutes. You want the eggs to be firmly set and the biscuits to be puffy and golden.





There are several ways to help the church other than donating money. Please take a look at the suggestions below. Can you help in any of these areas?

**DONATE YOUR USED INK CARTRIDGES**— Wesley United Methodist church wants your used printer cartridges! Place them in the drop bag under the stairs and we can take them to Staples for credit in their store! That will help with purchasing copy paper and other supplies for the office!

**DONATE YOUR POP CANS**--- Place them in bin located under the hallway coat rack. Please make sure they are rinsed first to avoid ants!

**SAVE THOSE ALUMINUM TABS**---from pop cans, cat food, canned vegetables, etc. They also can be donated for money! Give them to Ruth Schauer, or put them in a baggie and place them in her church mailbox.

**SAVE “BOX TOPS” TABS**—You will see these on various cereals and other boxed products. Please cut them off and give to Ruth Schauer.

**SIGN UP TO WORK ON A COMMITTEE**—You do not have to chair a committee, but you can sit on one! Whether you can help weed flower beds, clean up after coffee hour or volunteer to be a greeter, we can use your help!



See you in church



Sunday, 10 AM