



United Methodist Church of Ludington

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SUNDAY, DEC. 13, 2009 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dec. 13-20, 2009 Schedule of Events

Today, Dec. 13

- 8:30 am Praise Team Rehearsal
- 9:30 am Contemporary Worship; PK-Adult
Sunday School
- 10:15 am Coffee Time
- 11:00 am Children's Christmas Program
- 6:30 pm Student Church

Monday, Dec. 14 January *Footprints* deadline

- 1:30 pm United Methodist Women Christmas Tea

Tuesday, Dec. 15

- 9:30 am Intercessory Prayer
- 5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 pm Evangelism Committee

Wednesday, Dec. 16

- 9:00 am Rug and Sleeping Bag Ladies
- 1:30 pm Priscilla & Lydia Circles
- 5:30 pm Habitat for Humanity Board
- 7:00 pm Recorder Group, KFC Room

Thursday, Dec. 17

- 6:00 pm Men's Book Club at Brenda's Café
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 8:00 pm Praise Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, Dec. 20

- 8:30 am Praise Team Rehearsal
- 9:30 am Contemporary Worship
- 10:15 am Coffee Time
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship
- 11:00 am Student Church leaves for Grand Rapids, to return by 8:30 pm

Fair Trade Cup of Justice Sunday is today in Fellowship Hall, including many new coffees, chocolates, tea, and organic hot cocoa mix. *Sandy Lyon*

Nuts for Sale today in Fellowship Hall—fresh pecans, mixed nuts and almonds—all for scholarships for women through the P.E.O. local Chapter EU. *Joanie Schwass*

United Methodist Women invite all women to join us for our **annual Christmas Tea** on December 14 at 1:30 pm. We'll have a wonderful time with finger sandwiches, dessert and, of course, tea and coffee. Plus to help you get into the holiday spirit we will have a program with lots of holiday music. Bring a friend!

Mike Genter,
Geoff Wooster,
Bill Walker,
Marcine Cox,
Marion Boardman
Allen Frey Family,
Faith & Jyl Miller,
Noel Family,
Family of Lennert Lorentson,
Dorothy Frederickson Family,



MISSIONARIES

Bob & Sue Martin,
Barbara Smith-Jang,
Pastor Bernard &
Betty Lumene,
Delbert & Sandy
Groves,
Paul Webster,

NURSING/ADULT CARE

Alice & Warren Abrahamson,
Leone Benedict,
Margie Barton,
Helen Blum,
Marjorie Boardman,
Helen Burmeister,
Margie Cauchie,
Alice Damkoehler,
Bob Ferguson,
Idah Gearhart,
Eleanor Grams,
Edith Grant,
Billie Jabrocki,
Robert Laird,
Margaret Lunde,
Alex MacDonald,
Gladys Martin,
Tommy McCumber,
Betty Myers,
Joan Rasmussen,
Eileen Thiel,
Emma Van Horn,

Soweto-Kapisha UMC and Front Porch Orphanage, Zambia

COLLEGE STUDENTS

Emma Post—Alma
Katelin Post—Ferris State
Brent Gillett—CMU
Eric & Jessica Reum—
MSU
Matt Sonefeld—CMU
Patrick Luke—Mich. Tech
Jenna Luke—NWMC

Elizabeth Evans—Lansing
Community College
Hilary & Mallory Pehrson -
MSU
Erica Timinski—U of M
Jordan McCary—
Motorcycle Mechanic Inst.
Darren Quillan—MSU
Andrew Rodriguez—EMU
Martin Hunt—WMU
Corey Shinn—GVSU

ONGOING

Clyde Abrahamson,
Marion Caplon,
Margery Ernst,
Lois Ewing,
Aiden Harper,
Bob Herlein,
Matt Holmberg,
Robert Jones,
Arlene Kelsey,
Carolann Klinkhammer,
Shirley Larson,
Kristi Leclair,
Kathy Mantey,
Maralee McCumber,
Bryan McDonald,
Sean Nelson,
Bill Nickelson Jr.,
Karen & Pat O'Brien,
Joseph Penrod,
Gail Piper,
Jerry Ponko,
Alyce Prescott,
Donna Shafer,
Priscilla Shaw,
Charles Sidnam,
Dick Stover,
Linda Wolven,

IN THE MILITARY

Tech Sgt Matt Bowling,
George Cone, Jr., GA,
Travis DeMeester, CA,
Daron J. Diepenbruck, Afg
Benjamin Gottwald, NC,
Jonathan Gottwald, TX,
Jose Granados,
Greg Heimall Jr., RI,
Tyler Iteen,
Eric Luteyn, MO,
Michael M. Marquez,
Adam Miller, Korea,
Jonathan Oliver,
Eric Piper, LA
Blaine Reed, Afgh,
Mark Shaw, Iraq,
Christopher Stevens,
Tony Wagner, VA.

Local visitors interested in learning about our church and its programs are encouraged to stop at the table in the narthex to pick up a visitor bag.

Today and the rest of December, pick up your **2010 offering boxes** in the narthex.

Emanuel Lutheran Church, 501 E. Danaher in Ludington, invites everyone to the **St. Lucia Festival of Lights** on Sunday, today at 6:00 pm. Remain after the story and pageantry of St. Lucia and Starboy to eat St. Lucia Swedish buns, Swedish cookies and other treats.

Emanuel is also hosting a **Community Christmas Dinner** from noon to 2:00 pm on Christmas Day. They have lots of drivers who will deliver the Christmas Dinner to **shut-ins**. If you know of any shut-ins who would like a home-delivered meal, please call 843-3686 soon. Or, arrange to pick up your shut-ins and bring them to Emanuel for the dinner.

The **Student Church** groups will take off after the first service December 20 for their **annual Christmas shopping trip to Rivertown Crossings Mall**. Students need to bring \$12 for Craig's Cruisers, money for lunch in the food court, and money for any Christmas presents they plan to buy. They will return at 8:30 pm. See the Youth bulletin board or Zach for more information.

The **sanctuary speakers** have been lowered to improve sound quality. The church is also contacting an acoustical engineer to discover what more can be done. It is a long process that the Trustees, Worship Committee and sound technicians are faithfully working on.

NEEDED: One volunteer to manage the church website. Many thanks to Brenda Gillett, who has offered to send out the monthly electronic newsletter.

Volunteers to work as sound and video techs on Sunday mornings. Especially needed are people who attend first service. Knowledge of computer would be helpful for video tech area, and good hearing is necessary for sound techs. Please call the office if you are interested.

The **Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study** will start up again on January 7 at 10:00 am, continuing to meet in the 4th/5th grade classroom. Our study will be "The 23rd Psalm—The Lord, our Shepherd", and it will run for 9 weeks. Our books will be available at our first meeting on January 7; cost of book to be published later. Please sign up in the church office. Call Lynne Gohn at 843-4746 if questions.

The Evangelism Committee will offer a six week class, **"Becoming a Contagious Christian,"** from 7:00 to 8:00 pm on Wednesday from January 6 through February 10. The class will follow the family meals. Al Carlson will lead the class. This study by Bill Hybels, Lee Strobel and Mark Mittelberg, of the well-known Willow Creek Community Church in Illinois, is designed to help you communicate your faith in a style that fits you. If you are interested, please sign up on the bulletin board in the church office by December 21 so that Allan will know how many participant guides to order.

Many thanks...

to all who decorated the outside trees and the inside of our church. You have made God's place beautiful.

to those who helped in any way with the American Red Cross Blood Drive December 3. The Red Cross got 24 pints.

to our church from the Ludington High School Show Choir for the use of our building.

Tiana Williams was born September 17, 2009 a healthy child. On November 2 she developed pneumonia and respiratory failure, and was eventually diagnosed with whooping cough. Tiana is now on a ventilator at Devos Children's Hospital in Grand Rapids and is undergoing dialysis. Please contribute to the family's needs by attending a **spaghetti dinner benefit** from 5 to 8 pm Sunday, December 20, at the American Legion, 318 N. James in Ludington. Cost is \$4 for adults and children over 10; \$2 for children under 10.

Celebrate the sounds of Christmas from Great Britain as the 16th Century Singers, directed by Ann French along with organist Mark Steigenga, present **A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols** at 6:00 pm Sunday, December 20 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 521 Cypress Street in Manistee. There is no charge for admission. For information call 231-690-3894.