



**November 19, 2017**

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**Helping People 'Say Yes' to God**

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## **ACTIVITIES, EVENTS, & OPPORTUNITIES**

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### **Upcoming Worship...**



*Copies of the 2018 budget are available upon request from Tim O'Keefe or Pastor Marianne. Copies will also be handed out at Church Conference (Dec. 3).*

### **November 26 – “Why the Sacred Matters”**

*This service will be an introduction to our Advent worship series “Sacred.” This service will explore the notion of “sacred” as setting something apart for a holy purpose (or to consecrate). Implied in the idea of sacred is the ability to set limits. What friend could you invite to come to church with you during Advent (someone who doesn't attend church currently) so he/she can experience the sacred? Estimate of Giving cards for 2018 will be received during worship.*

- Pledge Sunday (bring your estimate of giving cards)
- Mission moment by Amber Schneider
- Decorate Sanctuary after worship

### **December 3 – “Sacred Time”**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent begins.
- Matthew 3:1-12, Romans 13:11-14
- Vocal choir sings & The Band plays.



### **December 10 – “Sacred People”**

- Isaiah 2:1-15, Luke 1:26-38, Matthew 1:18-25
- The Bell Choir performs.

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## Personal Goals & Commitment

What defines your life? Is it wealth? Belongings? Faith? Many of us live with a scarcity mentality, worried that we must gather and hoard as much as possible, saving for some imagined “rainy day.” Or we focus on self-gratification. But the Bible promises both God’s blessings and joy for those who choose to live another way. During today’s service, we will take action to change our lives by setting five specific personal goals to work toward over the next year. We invite you to complete a “Personal Goals and Commitment” card and place it in your Bible for your personal reference in the coming year.

One of these five commitments is your estimate of giving for the coming year. This week, you should have received an estimate of giving commitment card in the mail. On a practical level, we ask our members to turn in estimate of giving cards each year so that our Finance Committee is able to set an accurate ministry budget for the coming year. This allows us to make the most of every dollar given to the church. On a personal level, the commitment card is an opportunity for you to spend time in prayer and reflection, considering what offering you would make to God through our church in the coming year. Please be watching for the mailing; then fill out the card and bring it with you to worship next Sunday. You also can send your card to the office by November 28.

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## Bread Makers Needed – Every Other Month

We’re now looking for someone to bake Communion bread every other month starting in January of 2018. Bread recipe can be of your choosing or you may use the recipe provided. If you are able to help, please see Pastor Marianne.



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## Decorating the Sanctuary for Advent – November 26<sup>th</sup>

Advent season is right around the corner! Please join us after worship on Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup> to help hang the swags of greenery from the balcony to decorate the sanctuary for the season. (Wear jeans and bring gloves and even a step stool – it can get a little messy.) Please let Donna Taapken, Jocelyn Miller, or Pastor Marianne know if you plan to help. Thank you!



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## All Church Meal & Christmas Tree Decorating – November 29<sup>th</sup>

A pizza supper will be held at 5:30 p.m. followed by decorating the Christmas tree in fellowship hall. All are welcome!

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## **Giving Tree – December 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Thank you to everyone who took a tag from Giving Tree. If you were not in church last Sunday, there are 4 more tags on the tree. Please place your unwrapped gift under the tree by Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thanks, again, for helping Sauk County families have a Merry Christmas!



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## **Church Conference – December 3<sup>rd</sup> after worship**

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### **Church Mission Trip to Chatham, IL – Jan 28-31, 2018**

It is time to consider participating in 2018 work mission trip. This will be the church's second trip. This year's date is Sunday January 28-Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup>. We travel to the Midwest Mission Distribution Center at Chatham Illinois (near Springfield). Each of the three workdays is spent in activities assigned by the center to meet their needs. The ongoing projects include packing health kits, school kits, cleaning buckets and assembling and refinishing school desks. Working conditions are very comfortable and tasks can range from very light work to some being more demanding depending on your abilities. Evenings, after 4pm is our free time for dining, fellowship, rest and/or games. The mission trip will leave after church Sunday, January 28 and return Wednesday night. The trip costs \$124 per person which covers your room in the dorm and cost of materials for the 3 days. We provide the cost of our own food. Transportation is by church van and personal autos. We currently have reservations for 6, but we can take up to 12. You may sign up for the trip by talking to David Kell by December 1<sup>st</sup>. 608-370-9030. A \$20 deposit is required to reserve your place. Visit the center web site at [www.midwestmissiondc.org](http://www.midwestmissiondc.org). If you can't make the trip, but want to support the work you may make donations for materials.

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### **Pine Lake Winter Camp – Feb. 23-25 – Signup in Fellowship Hall**

**Thank You!** The Sauk County chapter of Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America would like to thank the United Methodist Women and everyone who donated to the recent drive to collect toiletries for Hope House. Guns are often used in domestic violence situations, and it is estimated that 50 women a day are killed in America by their intimate partner using a gun. Moms Demand Action is working to change that. Together, we raised \$290 and collected approximately \$325 worth of toiletries, which will make a real difference to Hope House's programs. Your generosity is very much appreciated. ~Jocelyn Miller

## **THIS WEEK AT FUMC**

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### **Sunday** ..... Nov 19

9am	Adult Sunday School
9am	Tone Chimes / Rainbow Bells Rehearsal
9:15am	Faith & Finance Workshop with Bill Greenhalgh
9:15am – 10am	Youth prepare treats for Cup O’Heaven Café in kitchen
10am	Fellowship
10:30am	Worship Service

### **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE → Nov. 20th**

### **Monday (Office Hours: 9am-2pm)** ..... Nov 20

10am	Staff Meeting
1-2:30pm	Neighborly Store
3-6pm	Kids’ Ranch
5pm	Design Team

### **Tuesday (Office Hours: 9am-2pm)** ..... Nov 21

10:30-11:30am	Qigong Class
3:30pm	St. Clare Worship Service
5-6pm	Neighborly Store
6-7:30pm	Girl Scouts #7343

### **Wednesday** ..... Nov 22

NO SPIRIT DINNER OR ACTIVITIES

4pm	UMW Circle (subject to change)
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### **Thursday (OFFICE CLOSED)** ..... Nov 23

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

### **Friday (Pastor’s Sabbath Day)** ..... Nov 24

6:45am	Men’s Conversation Group
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### **Saturday** ..... Nov 25

11am – 2pm	The Village Voices
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### **Sunday** ..... Nov 26

9am	Adult Sunday School
9:15am-10:15am	Sunday School for Children
9:15am – 10am	Youth prepare treats for Cup O’Heaven Café in kitchen
10am	Fellowship
10:30am	Worship Service