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# Tidings of Peace

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## Pastor's Page

### Give Thanks

"Touched by  
the Gospel,  
we seek to be  
instruments of  
God's Peace,  
for the sake  
of the world."

Creator has the power to use the gift of all of his great kindness to provide more than enough for all that you need at all times. In this way, you will have plenty to help others, just as it says in our *Sacred Teachings*, "He filled many giveaway blankets with gifts to the poor. His right ways will bring honor to him beyond the end of all days."

The one who gives seed for planting and good food for eating will make your seeds grow into a great harvest for doing what is right. His blessing will rest on you in every way so that you can always be a blessing to others. In this way, the gift you give to us for others will bring *honor and thanks* to the Great Spirit. This sacred task of *giving* not only helps the poor among Creator's holy people in *Village of Peace (Jerusalem)*, but it also inspires many people to give praise to the Great Spirit.

2 Corinthians 9:8-12, First Nations Version, an Indigenous Translation of the New Testament, *italics are included because the translators added them to show where they included information as aides to readers in understanding history, culture, geography, or names.*



In the month of November, my mind is always drawn toward giving thanks. On All Saints we remember those who have gone before us. I celebrate my birthday on Nov. 1 as well as All Saints and I like to reflect on my blessings as I begin a new year of life. This year we'll declare our intent for how we will give thanks to God and support our faith community through our offerings for the next year on Intent Sunday (Nov. 19). And, of course, as a nation we will gather around turkey and pie to offer thanks for the ways we've been blessed on Thanksgiving Day.

I used to think about gratitude and thankfulness as feelings. I feel grateful when someone is good to me or when I receive a gift. I feel thankful on days when the air is crisp and the sun shines through the beautiful fall colors. But over the years, I have had too many days where I don't *feel* grateful or thankful even though my life is full of goodness, gifts, and blessings. So, I have come to think of gratitude as a practice instead. Even when I don't feel it, I can express thanks. I can remember my blessings. I can list reasons I have to be grateful.

And you know what? Much of the time, my practice leads me to feel more grateful and makes me more able to notice the abundance of God's gifts around me. When I give thanks, whether by making a list in a journal or sending a thank you note or putting a little extra in my offering that month, I find even more reasons to be grateful.

Shalom,  
Pastor Rachel



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# What's Happening at POP!



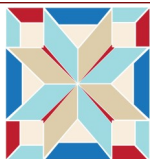
## Men's Breakfast!

**8:00 AM, Wednesday, November 8**  
Michelle's on Romance Rd. in Portage.  
Join Pastor Rachel for breakfast, prayer,  
and conversation. Tell them you're with  
Prince of Peace. We've got the back room  
reserved.

## Quilters

**Tuesdays, November 7 & 21 at 9:30 AM**  
**Where: POP Social Hall**

Not sure you can sew well enough to  
participate? Don't worry! Many of our quilt-  
ers learned their skills from others in the group because  
they wanted to contribute to this ministry that provides  
warmth, security, and shelter to people around the  
world. They're happy to teach you, too.  
Contact Sheryl for more information: 267-6274.



## BUNKO



## We're Back!!

**Join us Tuesday, November 14 at 1 PM**  
**Where: POP Social Hall**



## Honoring our Indigenous People Exhibit - November 12 thru 26

A renewed interest in how we see Native Americans  
brings into focus local artist Cindy Krill.

**Meet Cindy on Sunday, November 12** during fellow-  
ship and view her work including Horse Hair Pottery,  
paintings and photography of Pow Wow dancers and  
Native cultural items all inspired by her heritage rooted in  
and a reflection of our natural world.

Her work will be exhibited in the Gathering Space from  
November 12 through November 26.

In addition to our Indigenous artist exhibit Claudia Lee  
will share her collection of handmade tribal baskets  
inherited from her brother *Steven Malmberg*.

His association and leadership were instrumental in the  
formation of Bay Mills Community College on the  
southeastern shore of Lake Superior.

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

Meets **Friday, November 3 at 10 AM** in the Social Hall.

If you or someone you know would like a shawl, or for  
more information about becoming a prayer shawl  
creator, please contact Dianne Hellman, 323-9392.



## BREAD AND BREAKFAST SATURDAY, November 4

Bread construction will begin at 7:00 a.m. and  
breakfast will be served at about 9:00 a.m.  
Come and bake bread, or just come for the  
breakfast and conversation...it's all good!

For more information, or to be included on the mailing  
list, talk with Wade Lawrence at church, email him at

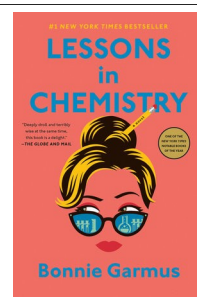
[wade.b.lawrence@gmail.com](mailto:wade.b.lawrence@gmail.com),

or call him at (269) 353-9885.

We hope to see you there!

## Prince of Peace Book Club

The POP Book Club's book for our  
**November 15th** meeting is "Lessons  
in Chemistry" by Bonnie Garmus.  
Set in the 1950's to early 1960's,  
Elizabeth is a research scientist in a male  
dominated field. She must constantly  
fight for equality. Don't underestimate  
her. She is intelligent, unconventional,  
and determined. The book is full of other vivid and  
eccentric characters including her daughter, Mad and  
dog, Six Thirty. While the story is quirky, and sometimes  
humorous, there are also serious topics discussed. This  
book has been made into a series on Apple TV+.



Come join us on **Wednesday, November 15th at  
10:00am** in the "Coffee Room" to talk about this book.

## WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP

**Monday, November 6, 7:15, Social Hall**

Will complete our discussion on **Poverty By America**.

Next study will be **HELP THANKS WOW**  
by **Anne LaMott**

beginning **November 20**.

Look forward to seeing you!!!!

Ladies Lunch Bunch meets the  
third Tuesday of the month

**We will be taking November off.**

December will be at the Fieldstone Grill

Questions? Car pool? Need a ride?

**Contact Dianne Hellman, 323-9392.**

## Pastor's newsletter article cont.

PS – This November I am particularly grateful for the opportunity to learn more about our Indigenous neighbors through the *Honoring our Indigenous People* art exhibit by Cindy Krill that will be in our Gathering Space Nov. 12-26. Thank you to Jeanette Field for her work to make this possible!

I am also grateful for new books to read and a movie to watch thanks to some recommendations from Donna Harmon earlier this year after her return from a week at Pine Ridge reservation in South Dakota. These resources are available through the Kalamazoo Public Library: books by Kent Nerburn, such as *Neither Wolf Nor Dog*; books by Joseph Marshall III whose mother was Sicangu Lakota and father was Oglala Lakota; and the movie *Big Crow* which is a documentary about SuAnne Big Crow, a basketball star from the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. It is a little over an hour long and available on Hoopla through KPL.

## More of What's Happening at POP!



Ruth Circle will meet  
Monday, November 27  
at 9:30am in the Social Hall.

If you are seeking a women's group who learn together, support one another and enjoy the fellowship of love and joy, please consider joining us. Study guides are available in the library or just come!

Contact Claudia Blahnik at 269/352-7430  
or [cjblahnik@yahoo.com](mailto:cjblahnik@yahoo.com),  
if you have hesitations or questions. .

### Zoom Mid-Week Bible Study Meets Wednesdays at 11 AM on Zoom

Contact [pastorrachel@popportage.org](mailto:pastorrachel@popportage.org) to receive the Zoom link,

If you'd like to have deeper conversations about scripture and a group of supportive, caring people willing to wrestle with faith questions, please contact the church office to make arrangements to get a booklet and join us!

The study for this quarter is: *God's Law Is Love*.



When: **Sunday, November 19**

Time: **5:00 p.m.**

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church  
1747 W. Milham Ave, Portage

Join with folks from Prince of Peace, Chapel Hill, St. Barnabas Episcopal, Portage UU, Portage UCC, and Lord of Life for a community Thanksgiving worship followed by a pie social.

If you would like to bring a pie,  
there is a sign-up in the Gathering Space or on-line.

## Thank You's



**Thank you** for making me feel so appreciated during October's Pastor Appreciation Month celebration!

As Dick's t-shirt said, "Behind every great pastor is an awesome congregation!" I am incredibly blessed to serve here with you and I thank God for you all regularly in my prayers. Your generosity, compassion, faithfulness, love, openness, and joy are such gifts! Thank you for sharing them with me and our neighbors.

Shalom, PR





September was certainly the month of delivering from the loving people of Prince of Peace.

The **Jubilee Garden** team has delivered this year's final hundreds of pounds of vegetables to Mothers Of Hope and our Bees have produced many containers of honey.

The **Justice and Diversity** team has delivered styrofoam and plastic bag recycling along with great strides forward to help us become an even more welcoming church.

The **Refugee ministry** continues to deliver hope with resettlement to families EVERY week.

**Project Connect** volunteers delivered personal care and cleaning supplies to more than 200 guests at the event on October 11.

**Food Distribution and Free Store** continues to deliver 115 boxes of healthy food and household supplies twice a month, come rain, snow sleet or hail.

**Quilters, Prayer Shawl Ministry and backpack sewers** have delivered hundreds of warm and welcome gifts made with loving hands and prayers.

**Record numbers of gifts in 130 boxes to LWR** (Lutheran Word Relief) were delivered in the pouring rain on October 14.



Project Connect 2024 Free Store

**THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU** for the important part you have played in delivering in the name of Jesus Christ. Everyone has had a part of this effort. From gifting one toothbrush, to stringing 210 backpacks, to loading Paul's trailer, to pulling weeds, to bringing in your *(clean)* Styrofoam beverage cup, to praying for the people we serve, there is no way one individual or group could have accomplished this alone.

**Blessings as we already are working on "delivering" and serving for 2024.**



Quilt Blessing, Oct 8



## Fellowship News

# LET US GIVE THANKS

*"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them."*

John F Kennedy

As Thanksgiving comes around this year and we gather with friends and family near and far, just remember that your POP family is thankful for you too! Mark your calendars for the upcoming seasonal events.



The annual Gingerbread decorating will happen Sunday, **November 19<sup>th</sup>** after church. There is a change this year, as decorating will only occur on **one** Sunday. Come and spend some time using your creativity to show off during this holiday season. Everyone had a great time last year, so don't miss it! Lunch will be provided. As always, thanks to Kim and Wade Lawrence for leading this event.

### The Annual Holiday Party is almost here!

This will occur **Friday, December 1** at Pete & Michelle Eldridge's beautiful home in Kalamazoo. This was a lovely evening last year, and this year will be just as wonderful! Guests are asked to bring a beverage (wine, beer or non-alcoholic) to share or an hors d'oeuvre. The fellowship committee will be providing sweet treats as well! This is an adult's only event, so this would make a great holiday night out on the town. Be on the lookout for further details.



The entrancing aroma of popcorn has been noticed around POP! The fellowship committee has obtained a brand new popcorn machine through a generous donation. It will be fired up for various events, and hopefully will bring a smile to everyone!

Lastly a reminder that fellowship committee meetings always occur on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at 5:30PM either virtually or in person. Contact Tamara, if you would like a Zoom link to join in.

**We would love to have you join us!**



**Pet Blessing 2024.** We had dogs, and guinea pigs, and representations of kitties, birds and horses.

## Educational Opportunities



**Free Xylophone Ensemble  
Lessons and Performance**

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church ~  
Portage, MI

**Kids 8-12 years old**

Rehearsal Dates ~ Wednesdays 5:00-5:45

**10/18, 10/25, 11/1, 11/8, 11/15, 11/29, 12/6**

Performance Date

**12/10 ~ 10:30 during service**

[engage@popportage.org](mailto:engage@popportage.org) for more info and to sign up

## This and That

### Election Day is

**Tuesday, November 7.**

We are polling place and both  
the gym and Gathering Space  
will be in use.

Please, plan accordingly.



### Fine Art Sale & Holiday Bazaar

Saturday, November 18th

9am-3pm

People's Church of Kalamazoo

1758 N 10th St, Kalamazoo, MI



Sanjay Patel, from Milham Pharmacy, will have  
**Flu & Covid vaccines on Sunday, November 5.**

He will be here one hour before service & immediately  
after service and will stay until everyone that signed up  
for the day is vaccinated. **It's not too late to sign up!**

Sign up at : <https://popportage.org/events/flu-shot-covid-19-omicron-booster-clinic>

Indicate which vaccines you  
want. Please download and  
bring a completed registration  
form with you to speed up the  
processing time.



Vaccines will be given first come, first served.



## This and That Continued



### A Note on Notes

We LOVE receiving things from you! Whether it's bags for Project Connect, a book or article to read, an idea for a craft, or food for the food pantry, we appreciate your generosity! With so many generous people and so many exciting ministries happening, however, it can be difficult for

any one staff person to stay on top of it all.

It is incredibly helpful to us all if you leave a note along with your gift so that we know who it came from, who or what it is intended for, and whether or not it needs to be returned to someone after use.

Just recently we received a paper grocery bag filled with individual bottles of assorted fruit juice. It was simply left by the front door. We don't know what it was for or even if the juice is still good to drink since the bottles themselves don't have expiration dates. We'd love to make sure it get where it belongs, but there was no note to indicate who left it or why. Please help us stay organized and leave notes when you can't speak with one of us directly when leaving items in the office.



The church office will be closed on  
**Thursday, November 23** and  
**Friday, November 24**  
for the  
Thanksgiving holiday.



### Have you seen our family of turkeys?

There is a tom, a hen and 5 chicks.  
They are often seen by the staff at lunch.



## Volunteers Opportunities

### WAYS TO HELP OUT!

- Coffee Servers for Fellowship Time
- Reading the liturgy &/or prayers for worship
- Acolytes
- Audio-video techs
- Thursday Food Distribution—1st & 3rd Thursday
- Free Store—1st Thursday
- Sending Birthday Cards monthly
- And so many more. . .

Visit the website to sign up!

### Will you help our neighbors?

It takes 4-5 people to help this ministry.  
Please sign-up and arrive by 12:30 to help  
set up. Sign up is on the website.  
<https://popportage.org/pages/food-distribution-signup>



## Council and Committees



Church Council met  
Wednesday, October 18,  
2023.

**God Moments:** One of our favorite agenda items, “God Moments,” did not disappoint this month.

Lee & Lisa both commented on the beauty of the fall season, especially in the midst of the turmoil in the world.

Jenn shared that she has two new Saudi students in her class. They were amazed at the fall colors. They were also surprised to learn about Halloween – that they could change their clothes, knock on doors and receive free candy.

Gail shared information about the wonderful retreat on October 14. Fellowship will look into the possibility of asking this same facilitator to lead us in an offsite, day-and-a-half, retreat in 2024.

Dick was pleased to see the diversity of people at the Detroit Marathon Expo recently. Diverse in color, age, nationality...it was good to see.

Pastor Rachel found joy in teaching an Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) class at WMU with Rabbi Simone Schicker. They helped participants learn to talk about religion with acceptance and respect.

Paul recently received a phone call from an estranged relative. He said he could feel God’s hand in the communication.

### **Building Security:**

Pastor, Dick Hewitt and Lisa Creed met with Officer Adam Dmoch, Portage Police Department, for a walkthrough at church. Officer Dmoch made some suggestions for changes over a period of time to make the building more secure. The Property Committee will review and prioritize these recommendations. There was nothing major to report, and Officer Dmoch felt that PoP was quite secure. Pastor Rachel added that our reputation for work in the community gives us another layer of protection.

### **Constitution Review:**

Lisa Creed and a few other members have been reviewing our constitution suggesting improved wording and clarification. She will share the document the committee prepared with the council and with the Synod office to make sure we remain in compliance with the Model Constitution if these changes are implemented. Hopefully, we will be able to vote on this at the January 28 Annual Meeting.

### **Lord of Life Update:**

Pastor Rachel, Dick Hewitt, Dave Reinhold and Gail MacNellis met with some of the leadership at Lord of Life earlier this month. Lord of Life wants to remain their own congregation; they have no interest in merging with us. They have an interim pastor that will give them some stability while they sort out a possible call for a part-time pastor. We discussed ways we can support each other moving forward. Another meeting is scheduled in November.

### **Committee Reports:**

Stewardship: The Stewardship campaign is underway. When you receive your *intent card*, please consider what you are able to give to help support the important ministries at Prince of Peace. We have a donor willing to match up to \$16,000 in increases to pledges in 2024.

Property: The roof repairs have been completed on the pitched roofs. Work remains to be done on the flat roofs.

Diversity and Justice recommended that Prince of Peace become a member of *Hope for Creation*, a consortium of faith communities working together towards eco-sustainability and stewardship of the earth. Diversity and Justice will pay the membership fee.

**Synod Assembly--May 11, 2024:** This year’s assembly will be a one-day virtual meeting. If you are interested in participating, please let Pastor Rachel know. Congregations are invited to submit an 8–10-minute video that focuses on one area or ministry that shows how the congregation supports the community. Preference will be given to ministries that include sharing the story of Jesus. Interest forms are due by January 15, 2024. Videos must be submitted by April 3, 2024. Selected congregations will be notified on April 17.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday,  
November 15, via Zoom.



**Saturday, November 11th will be the  
Fall Clean-Up at Prince of Peace.**

We will be starting at 8:30 AM and will wrap up around noon. Everyone is welcome even if you can only attend for part of the time. Tarps, rakes and blowers will be needed to move the leaves to the rear of the property. Please join us for a little outdoor exercise along with coffee, juice, donuts!

Rain date is Saturday November 18.



## Welcome to Our New Members

David and Susan moved to Richland, Mi, in 2021 to be closer to family since their first (and so far only) grandchild was expected. David is a retired American Baptist minister, and Susan is a retired music and ESL teacher. Through the years, both have participated in or directed numerous musical ventures in Ohio, Michigan (Midland), India, and Indiana. Now that they are in the Kzoo area, David plays trumpet with the Cereal City Band, and Susan sings with the Kalamazoo Community Choral. David also tunes pianos as a side gig, and Susan tutors several Chinese students in English via online platforms. Multiple days a week, they also have a delightful time "grandparenting" precious granddaughter Naomi; and they help out some at Tiny Giant Farm, their son's small organic farm. During the summer you can see them selling vegetables on Wednesdays at the Richland Area Community Farmers Market, and on many Saturdays during the year you might find them helping out at the Tiny Giant booth at the Kalamazoo Farmers Market. They both love to travel, and they are looking forward to making new friends here at P.O.P.



**David and Susan Brown**

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Phone: 269/203-7411

Email: Indiabrowns@yahoo.com



**Karen Maney**

Address: 8129 Tremas St, Kalamazoo, 49009

Phone: 219/929-7703

Email: kasey1733@gmail.com

Karen moved to Michigan 1 ½ years ago to be close to immediate family, anticipating the next chapter in my life. Looking forward to her "new church family" and celebrating all God has planned for her life.



## More New Members!



**Anne Breneman**

Address: 1700 Bronson Way Apt #261

Anne lived with her husband in the Sturgis area, until he died, she then moved to StoryPoint at the Fountains in Kalamazoo.

She has been active in church music ministries most of her life and is currently singing in the Sanctuary choir.

She is glad to have a wonder place to worship again. You will often find her with her friends, Nancy and Steve Pendziszewski.

Elaine Sievers has re-instated her membership at Prince of Peace. She was a member here joining in 1969. After she married, she became a Catholic, but is now back to being a Lutheran.

She also lives at StoryPoint and she is often in the company of Nancy Mason.



**Elaine Sievers**



Set your clocks back before  
you go to bed on  
Saturday, November 4.

### Updated Contact Information

**Kathi and Larry Ott**  
8170 Vineyard Parkway  
Kalamazoo MI 49009

**Gena Baldwin**  
269/303-7453 cell.  
This is Gena's only phone number,  
please make note.



# Impact Giving

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO OTHERS

- We are grateful for your generous gift to **Ministry with Community** to sponsor a meal. After several tumultuous years, more people have been turning to MwC for stability, community and hope. Your gift is a much-needed solution to someone's pressing needs. For our members, the path toward progress is paved by a caring and generous support. Thank you for being an essential part of our members' journeys with us. With gratitude for all we accomplish together. – Kelly Henderson, Executive Director*

## On-Line Giving

### On-line Giving Has Never Been So Easy!



You can click or copy and paste the link  
<https://tithe.ly/give?c=2250097>  
 or use the QR code.

You can also go to the Prince of Peace website  
 & click on the giving button.

For questions contact either Marilyn or Tamara.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

11-1	Rachel Laughlin	11-10	Claudia Lee	11-20	Duran Cooper	11-27	Sherry Myers
11-2	David Josuns	11-11	Inger Thoen		Noah Ottesen		Alora Graham
11-4	Michael Barnett		Kelsey Steele	11-21	Don Eklov	11-28	Diane Wilke-Karna
11-5	Melissa Copeland	11-12	Joel Pennington		Nancy Pederson	11-29	Karen Josuns
	Gloria Beatty		Diane Snyder		Leah Deming		Brandon Bye
	Randy Lund		Ron Leversee		TJ Kana'an		Lauren Bye
11-6	Judson Stemaly	11-13	Elizabeth VanRenterghem		Sharon Umberger		Laila Poisson
			Julie Wentzel		Lisa Creed	11-30	Carolyn Anderson
11-7	Lee Banitt		Jason Davis	11-23	Eric Lehman		Ben Seguin
	Anna DeRango	11-15	Tom Palarz	11-24	Brooke Leversee		MerriKay Oleen-Burkey
11-8	Tonya Klemm	11-17	Jane Knuth		Tyler Leversee		




## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### Anniversaries

Dennis & Betsy Stalker	November 21
Mike & Sherry Myers	November 22
Lukas & Cate Pederson	November 24
Erin & Ron Leversee	November 27

# Prince of Peace Calendar — November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>29</b> <b>Reformation Sunday</b> 9:00am Vaccine Clinic 9:15am Faith Formation All Ages 10:30am Worship 11:45am Fellowship Time 11:45am Vaccine Clinic 11:45am Worship Assistant Training 2:00pm SCA-3 Hills	<b>30</b> 10:00am Literacy Tutoring - Room 7 10:30am Literacy Tutoring - Library 5:30pm AA "Promises" Support Group	<b>31</b> <b>Reformation Day</b> 9:00am ESL 9:15am Staff Meeting 10:00am ESL - Halloween party 7:00pm Bells	<b>1</b> <b>All Saints Day</b> 10:00am Literacy Tutoring - Room 7 10:00am WMU Center for Disabilities 11:00am Pastor's Bible Study - Zoom 5:00pm Children's Music Ministry 5:00pm Girl Scout Troop - 80327	<b>2</b> 9:00am ESL 1:00pm Food Distribution 1:00pm Free Store 6:30pm South County Fiber Arts 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>3</b> 10:00am ESL Open Tutoring 10:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry - Social Hall 2:00pm Keith Geiman Trumpet Studio - Music room	<b>4</b> 8:00am Keith Geiman Trumpet Studio - Music room 9:00am Bread & Breakfast
<b>5</b> <b>All Saints' Sunday</b> <b>Daylight-Saving Time Ends</b> 9:00am Vaccine Clinic 9:15am Faith Formation All Ages 9:15am MS Faith Formation - Library 10:30am Worship 11:45am Fellowship Time 11:45am Vaccine Clinic 12:00pm Cookie Decorating 2:00pm SCA-3 Hills	<b>6</b> 10:00am Literacy Tutoring - Room 7 10:30am Literacy Tutoring - Library 5:30pm AA "Promises" Support Group 6:00pm Personnel/Executive Committee - Zoom 6:30pm CLO Housing Group 7:00pm Women's Small Group - Zoom	<b>7</b> Election - Gathering Space and Gym 9:00am ESL 9:15am Staff Meeting 9:30am Quilters - Social Hall 5:30pm Great Lakes Adventure Club - Social Hall/Flex 7:00pm Bells	<b>8</b> <b>8:00am Men's            Breakfast @ Michelle's</b> 10:00am Literacy Tutoring - Room 7 10:00am WMU Center for Disabilities 11:00am Pastor's Bible Study - Zoom 5:00pm Children's Music Ministry	<b>9</b> 9:00am ESL 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>10</b> 10:00am ESL Open Tutoring	<b>11</b> <b>Veterans Day</b> <b>8:30am Fall Clean up            Day</b>
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<b>19</b> <b>Intent Sunday</b> 9:15am Faith Formation All Ages 10:30am Worship <b>11:30am Gingerbread Houses - Social            Hall</b> 11:45am Fellowship Time 12:15pm Middle and High School Youth Group 2:00pm SCA-3 Hills <b>5:00pm Community Thanksgiving            Service &amp; Pie Social</b>	<b>20</b> 10:00am Literacy Tutoring - Room 7 10:30am Literacy Tutoring - Library 4:00pm Care Team Meeting 5:30pm AA "Promises" Support Group 6:00pm Master Gardeners - Sanctuary 7:00pm Women's Small Group - Zoom <b>7:00pm Worship            Committee Meeting -            Zoom</b>	<b>21</b> 9:00am ESL 9:15am Staff Meeting 9:30am Quilters - Social Hall 7:00pm Bells	<b>22</b> 10:00am Literacy Tutoring - Room 7 10:00am WMU Center for Disabilities 11:00am Pastor's Bible Study - Zoom	<b>23</b> <b>Office Closed</b> <b>Thanksgiving Day</b>	<b>24</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>25</b> 
<b>26</b> 9:15am Faith Formation All Ages 10:30am Worship 11:45am Fellowship Time 2:00pm SCA-3 Hills	<b>27</b> 9:30am Ruth Circle 10:00am Literacy Tutoring - Room 7 10:30am Literacy Tutoring - Library 5:30pm AA "Promises" Support Group 5:30pm Fellowship Committee Meeting - Hybrid Meeting - Youth Room 6:00pm Justice and Diversity Meeting - room 7	<b>28</b> <b>Open Doors Men's            Shelter Meal</b> 9:00am ESL 9:15am Staff Meeting 7:00pm Bells	<b>29</b> 10:00am Literacy Tutoring - Room 7 10:00am WMU Center for Disabilities 11:00am Pastor's Bible Study - Zoom 5:00pm Children's Music Ministry 6:00pm Advent Dinner 7:00pm Advent Midweek Service	<b>30</b> 9:00am ESL 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>1</b> 10:00am ESL Open Tutoring 10:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry - Social Hall 7:00pm Holiday Hors d'oeuvre Party	<b>2</b> 9:00am Bread & Breakfast

## Legend:

AA—Alcoholics Anonymous

ESL—English as a Second Language

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