CROSSBEAMS
November 2026



Making Contact

Ifyou call the church please make sure to leave a message. If there is a problem with that please let Emma know by emailing michigancitymethodistoffice@gmail.com

If there are any committee announcements, etc that need to be included in the bulletin please submit them to michigancitymethodistoffice@gmail.com. by 10 am Thursday mornings. Committee chairs and team leads are responsible for submitting meetings and times to her (and current locations of those meetings) as well.. The new cut off date for Crossbeams articles is the 20th of the month.

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- Pastor's Notes
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The official newsletter of First United Methodist Church

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A November Note



As we enter the month of November, we are reminded of the many ways God continues to work in our lives and in our church family. This is a wonderful time of year to pause, reflect, celebrate, and give thanks for the blessings that surround us.

On November 8th, we will celebrate All Saints Sunday, taking time to remember and honor those who have gone before us in faith. We give thanks for their lives, their love, and the lasting impact they have made on our lives and our church family. Their stories and examples continue to inspire us as we carry our faith forward.

Our Messy Church gathering on November 6th is another opportunity to come together for fellowship, fun, creativity, and learning about God's love. Everyone is welcome, and we hope you'll join us!

We will also continue our "Believe And....." sermon series throughout November. Faith is more than something we believe; it is something we live out each and every day.

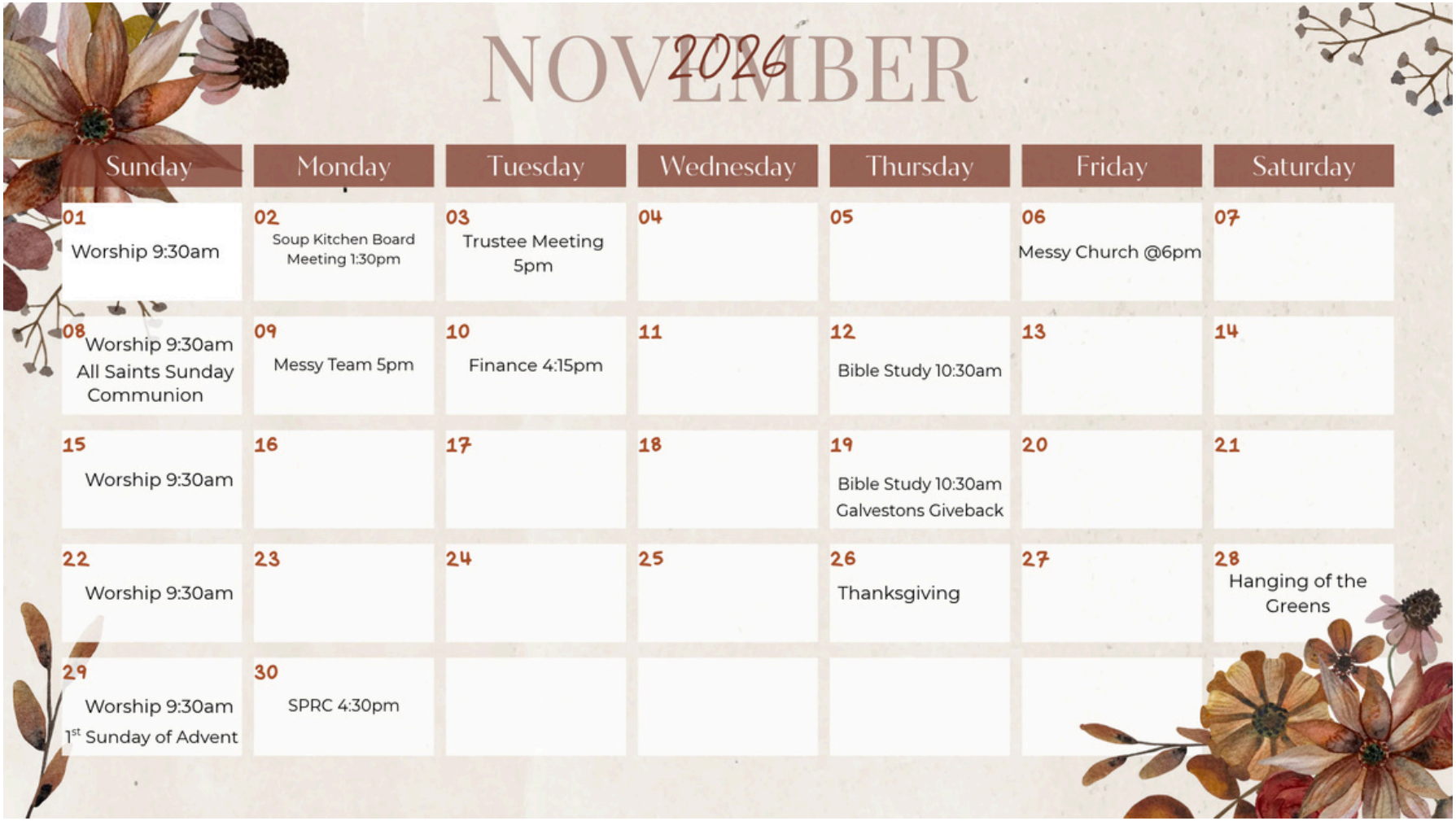
- November 15th – Lead Courageously: Finding the courage to step forward in faith and trust God's guidance.
- November 22nd – Transform the World: Discovering how our faith, love, and actions can make a difference in the world around us.

As Thanksgiving approaches, may we take time to remember who and what we are thankful for. We are blessed in so many ways, sometimes through the big moments and sometimes through the simple, everyday blessings we might otherwise overlook. Let us give thanks for our families, our friends, our church community, and the many ways God shows up in our lives.

My hope is that we continue to be a church that not only believes, but also leads courageously, loves generously, and works together to transform the world around us.

May your November be filled with gratitude, joy, and opportunities to share God's love with others.

Monthly Calendar





HEAR YE! HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO JOIN US
FOR TWO CONCERTS THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

THE MADRIGAL MUSICIANS AND FRIENDS
OF MICHIGAN CITY FIRST UNITED METHODIST
WILL PRESENT

THE 17TH ANNUAL MADRIGAL CONCERT
MUSIC OF COMFORT AND JOY

SATURDAY, DEC. 12TH AT 3:00 PM
IN BARKER HALL OF TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
600 FRANKLIN ST. MC DOORS AT 2:15

SUNDAY, DEC. 13TH AT 9:30 AM
IN THE SANCTUARY OF 1ST UNITED METHODIST
121 E. 7TH ST. MC DOORS AT 9:00

A FREE-WILL OFFERING WILL BE RECEIVED
TO BENEFIT THE MINISTRIES OF 1ST UMC

ALL ARE WELCOME

Eclectic Shop

News From The Eclectic Shop

'Tis just about the season of our favorite time of year - December is only 34 days away, which means Christmas is coming, the geese are getting fat, won't you please put a penny in the penny-recycling-bottle in the Eclectic Shop . . . (we actually DO have one, if you're looking to lighten your load!).

When you're looking for a perfect gift for someone on your list, look no further than the Shop where you'll find delights and one-of-a-kinds at very reasonable prices. The best part is that any money made from the sales of our wares goes directly to the church coffers - and every penny counts.

We'll be open extended days and times as we near the holidays. Look for our schedule in upcoming Sunday bulletins, and as our sign says, "Don't Pass Us, BUY!"

Stop in and visit - you'll be glad you did!

Green Team News

GREEN TEAM NEWS

Each Tuesday morning, First United Methodist is quite the place to be! From 9:00 - noon, the Greenies find all sorts of things to help our church building continue its renaissance.

Tasks include lighting solutions (whew, lots of burned out bulbs!) drapery installations, vacuuming, rerouting storage spaces, discovering lost things, unpacking the seemingly never-ending stacks of boxes, etc. etc. etc. - and believe it or not, having a lot of fun while getting this stuff done. It feels good to know that we're helping.

This past week it felt especially good when two good Samaritans secured the handrail at the alley door with a temporary fix to last 'til Spring, when even better things can be done. Thanks, Bill & Joe!

On top of that, Karen's son-in-law used his amazing skills last week after Sunday service to take drone footage of our tile roof still in need of repair. We can see exactly what needs to be fixed - without risking life and limb to climb up there. Thanks, Shane!! info@kiwi-contracting.com :)

Never a dull moment . . . Come join us and lend a hand with your super powers . . .
For more info, contact me at beverlyegriffith@gmail.com.

Homebound

1st UNITED METHODIST MEMBERS – ASSISTED LIVING or NURSINGFACILITY

THE ELMS – 4300 CLEVELAND AVE. – MICHIGAN CITY, IN 46360

Sam Johns – Apt. 109 – BD 6/8

Ann Berg –- Apt. 118 - BD: 1/3

Shirley Mc Gillivray– Apt. 232 – BD: 8/29

Austin and Sylvia Wilkins – Villa #7

TRAIL CREEK PLACE – 1300 E. COOLSPRING AVE. – MICHIGAN CITY, IN 46360

Bob Kahn BD 7/9 – Apt. 141

AT HOME MEMBERS

Joan Osborne – 230 Walker St. – Michigan City, IN – BD 8/1

Galvestons

Dear Friends at 1 st UMC,

Recently we have missed seeing many familiar faces at Galvestons. Why not join us on October 15 th as we always look forward to seeing everyone.

The goal for 2026 is $2,700. Please invite a few of your friends or neighbors to your table or pass out coupons to others who would enjoy a night out. To date we earned $1,615 for the church. Thank you for your support. God bless!

For our January give back $180.00

For our February give back $120.00 plus $10.00 cash contribution

For our March give back $240.00

For our April give back $210.00

For our May give back $240.00

For our June give back $310.00

For our July give back $140.00 plus $10.00 cash contribution

For our August give back $155.00 plus $5.00 cash contribution

For our September giveback $155.00 plus $5.00 cash contribution

2026 Year to date: $**1,780.00**



Give Thanks

Join us for Messy Church!
Friday November 6th @ 6pm

Messy Church

Need a Little Christmas?

Join us Friday December 4th at 6pm

There will be Music, Food and a lot of Fun!

We are collecting donations for our Little Free Food Pantry

Items May Include but are not limited to:

Ready to eat food



- Granola Bars
- Apple Sauce
- Trail Mix
- Beef Jerky
- Crackers
- Chips
- Peanut Butter
- ECT.



Hygiene Products Travel Size:

- Soap
- Shampoo
- Tooth Brush
- Tooth Paste
- Band Aids
- Feminine Products
- ECT.

Tannehill Soup Kitchen

Sundays, Mondays,

Wednesdays and Thursdays

11:30am-12:15pm



Eclectic Shop

Open Fridays

9am-12pm



