



Fifth Avenue United Methodist Church
Family Connections

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Our Mission: “We are a welcoming Christian Community where all can experience the saving grace of Jesus Christ. We are growing as disciples of Christ as we teach, support, and nurture one another in ministry to our community and world.



WORSHIP WITH US!

Sundays: 8:30am & 10:45am

Nov. 4: 9:30am (All Saints Day with Rev. Deb)

Nov. 18: 9:30am Service (Men’s Sunday)

- Nov. 4** **9:30am All Saints Day with Communion**
Rev. Deborah Thompson, Preaching
Choir Sings
Daylight Saving Time End
- Nov. 11** **25th Sunday After Pentecost**
8:30 & 10:45am 9:30am Worship
Choir Sings t 10:45am
- Nov. 18** **26th Sunday After Pentecost**
9:30am Worship (Men’s Sunday)
Special Fellowship Time After Worship
Choir and Handbells
- Nov. 25** **Christ the King Sunday**

**Set
Your
Clocks
Back!**



Don’t forget to set your clocks **back one hour** as Daylight Saving Time ends on **Nov. 4, 2018!**



Thanksgiving Ecumenical Worship and Pie Social

An Ecumenical Thanksgiving Worship and Pie Social to be held at Fifth Avenue United Methodist Church at 7p.m. on Tues. Nov. 20. We will give thanks to God through prayer and song as we delve into scripture together.

There will be a goodwill offering collected for Boys & Girls Club of West Bend along with perishable food donations.

Bring your family, friends, neighbors, and work colleagues. Afterwards we will enjoy a **homemade pie social in Fellowship Hall.**

Let's give thanks to God as we band together, one community, brothers and sisters in Christ.

Wonderful Wednesday

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Our staff will provide a **Thanksgiving meal on Nov. 14 at 5:30pm in Fellowship Hall.** This is in appreciation of the support the staff receives from church members and friends throughout the year.



All Saints Day—9:30am Service Only

All Saints Day will be observed at the **9:30am service on Sunday, Nov. 4, 2018.** A **Memorial Altar will be available.** Please bring photos of those who passed away that we can lay upon the altar. Photos may be taken home after the services. **There will be one service at 9:30am on**

Parish News



Change of Address

- **Dee Ream**

27324 Falcon Feather Way
Leesburg, FL 34748

Births

-**Autumn Paige Desmidt**, daughter of Meghan & Alex Desmidt, born Sept. 21. Maternal grandparents are Polly & Dave Bertelsen. Maternal Great Grandparents are Jim & Bettly Felt.

- **Grayson Myles Schmidt**, son of Tara & Keegan Schmidt, born Sept. 22. Maternal grandparents are Polly & Dave Bertelsen. Maternal Great Grandparents are Jim & Bettly Felt.

- **Emerson Josephine Froehlich**, born Sept. 22. Paternal Great Grandparents are Ginny and the Late Dick Froehlich.

Deaths

-**Stan Olson** on Sept. 22. He was a member since 1962.

-**Virginia Sexton** on Oct. 1. She was a member since 2012.

-**Virginia Erler** on Oct. 5. She was a member since 1950.

Worship Schedule for November



Nov. 4 : 9:30am

Rev. Deborah Thompson will be leading the Communion and All Saints Day Service

Nov. 11: 8:30 & 10:45am Worship

Nov. 18: 9:30am Men's Sunday

There will be a worship service led by the men of our church. Guest speaker will be Mr. Doug Fitzgerald. A special Fellowship Time will follow the service.



Sunday Morning Adult Study

Two Sunday Morning Adult Bible Studies

Bible Study Opportunity!

Jan and Mike Donahou continue to lead a Bible study using the Immersion Bible Study series focusing on the Psalms and written by J. Clinton McCann, Jr. The series is meant to ponder "a life of true happiness, a life of complete honesty with God. Through this study of the Scriptures, you learn how to live a life of gratitude while producing actions that honor God. (Cokesbury)

Classes will be held **through Nov. 18 following the first worship service (around 9:30-9:45am)**. Due to special Sunday services, will skip Oct. 28.

Ongoing Adult Bible Study - Fall 2018

God's World and God's People

This Fall, lessons in Adult Studies come from Genesis, the book of the beginnings. God is revealed as the Creator, Sustainer, Judge and Redeemer who brought all things into being.

In November, the last unit explores how God blessed humble Isaac. How Jacob deceitfully obtained the blessing of God. An how later obtained the blessing God had destined for him.

The Adult Bible Study group meets on **Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in**

Wills & Memorials Meeting To Be Held

Our Wills and Memorials Committee will hold their meeting on Nov. 12. They would welcome any suggestions **regarding a mission or community service agency you would like them to consider to receive a donation**. The monies they will be dispersing are from **interest funds** received from the Legacy Fund.

Please contact Marolyn Kell at 334-5865 or the church office 334-2059 with your request.



Lunch Group At the Ridge!

The Lunch Group will meet on **Thursday, Nov. 15, at 12:00 Noon** at Top of the Ridge Restaurant. No sign up



Breakfast Group will meet on **Tuesday, Nov. 6,** at 8:30am at **Copper Penny, 1700 E. Washington St.,** West Bend. No sign up is necessary.



White Elephant Sale Tuesday, Nov. 27 at 1:00pm

Tis the season once again for our annual White Elephant Auction where all proceeds go to local organizations. Mark your calendars for **Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 27, 2018, at 1:00pm in the lounge.** Bring a few white elephant items and come join the fun. Refreshments will be



A Thank You Note

Thank you to all those who sent me Get Well wishes and prayers following my left knee replacement. Also a special Thank You to the knitter of the shawl and Pastor Clarissa for delivering it.



A Thank You Note

We received a note from Pastor Wes Falk thanking all of you who signed his get well card recently. He is recovering from back surgery. He wrote: "It was wonderful to hear from so many people. Made me realize how much I miss 5th Ave! Please let the people know how grateful I am. Making progress.. walking with cane indoors, walker outside for security as much as anything. Thankfully no pain."

God Bless you all



It's Coming!

November 10th will be the United Methodist Women's annual **Holiday Cookie Walk** sale from 9:00 – noon, or earlier if cookies are sold out. Price per pound is \$7.00. We will also have some yummy, good smellin' cinnamon rolls for sale, as well as homemade candies, breads, jellies and jams. **Pre-order cinnamon rolls by Oct. 30.**

If you can donate cookies (no bars), jam, jellies, candy, breads or any specialty goodies, please fill out the enclosed goldenrod form and return it to the church office or place in the basket in the north entrance..

Your delicious items would need to be **at church no later than 4pm on Thursday, Nov. 8th** so we can get them ready for sale. If you need to get into church before or after normal hours, make arrangements with Ellen Johnson, Ann Cording or Jean Krell. Make sure your cookies are labeled; especially indicate if they contain nuts.

The profits from this event will enable our UMW to complete



Greening of the Church

As we prepare our hearts for this Advent season, it is time to also prepare our church.

We will be **decorating the church after the 10:45am service on Sunday, Nov. 25 (around 11:45am)**. No signup necessary.

A Thank You Note

To My Church Family: Thank you for your prayers and many cards wishing me well. I am slowly healing and hope to be among you soon.” - **Ginny Froehlich**

Welcome Committee



Welcoming Words of Wisdom

Your greeting of visitors should always include an invitation to Fellowship Time between services. Introduce the guests to your friends, family, or any church leaders who can answer questions.

- The Welcome Team



Christmas Angel Tree

Our church will be having an **Angel Tree** again this year. This is our way of participating in the community Gingerbread House Project. Our tree will be up on **Sunday, Nov.**

18. Specific details will be in the weekly Family Connection as the time approaches. I am looking for one or two volunteers who would be willing to help pack and deliver gifts to the Gingerbread House. **This would be a 3-4 hour commitment on Sunday, December 16th.** Please contact Dorthy Dahlen at 262-573-7998. Thanks for your generous support of this program and for showing our community the love of Jesus Christ in a very practical way.

- Dorthy Dahlen



Cookies Needed for our People At Home

UMW requests your help in providing cookies (small, non spicy no bars please) for our **People at Home** for their Christmas gift from the church.

We will fill 45 boxes. Cookies will be packed on **Wed., December 12th, at 9am** in the Fireside Room. Please have cookies delivered to the Fireside room by **Tues., Dec. 11** by



Harvest House

Saturday, Nov. 17, 2018

8:30am to 1:30pm

St. James Episcopal Church, West Bend

Time for Harvest House and to help St. James serve people a free, hot meal. We **need 12 to 15 persons** to volunteer to help set up, prepare and serve food and clean up; and persons to bake **seven 9x13 size cakes**. **Cakes need to be delivered to St. James by 9:15am**. The **two or three volunteers who help cook** need to come at **8:30am**. Volunteers who are helping set up, serve and clean up need to come at 10am. Please use the **sign-up sheet** in the north entrance or call



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Mark your calendar to join this group of knitters and crocheters on **Tuesdays, Nov. 6 & 20, at 1pm in the Fireside Room**.

The following "People at Home" will have Nov. Birthdays:

Lucy Wagner (Nov. 14)

Ivy Manor, 370 S. Forest Ave. #9, WB 53095

Happy Birthday



Combined Church Conference

Tuesday, Dec. 11 at 6:30pm in Jackson

A **Combined Church Conference** will be held on **Tuesday, Dec. 11 at 6:30pm** at **Stillwaters Community UMC, 3617 Scenic Dr.** in Jackson along with **Hartford UMC** and **Fifth Avenue UMC**. This is the **annual meeting** of all the church members in which we **celebrate our 2018 ministry, report on our membership, Pastor's Benefits, Trustees Report, and removal of members**.

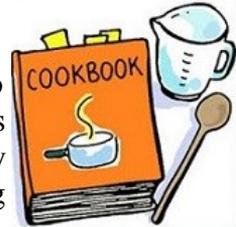
From Debra's desk...



By the time you are reading this in your Family Connection, our **Anniversary weekend** will have concluded. It is with sincere hope that it was meaningful to you and your family as we reach a milestone in the life of our church. I do wish to thank everyone again who helped us in the planning and implementing! Thank you, thank you, thank you!

You know me!! On to a new project. I would like to create a new **cookbook** for us. I am envisioning not just any cookbook, but something a little different and meaningful. I looked at past ones and they were great. What I would like to do is create a cookbook that is filled with great recipes from past members and present members. I am asking for you to pass this along to me with that person's picture. Did your great grandma make the best casserole ever? Share it! I would like to include their picture, if possible, especially for past members who are no longer with us. I am also looking for a variety of meaningful church pictures, so we can make this a bit of a history book too.

Finally, I am looking for a **volunteer** or two who would like to work with me on this project. My hope was to have it done by Christmas, but I am thinking it may be spring instead. Please see me during any service, call my home to leave a message, 262-334-2880, or text my cell, 262-305-2880 (I do not have voice mail set up) or email me at debmatthies@charter.net.



With Gods' love and mine!