

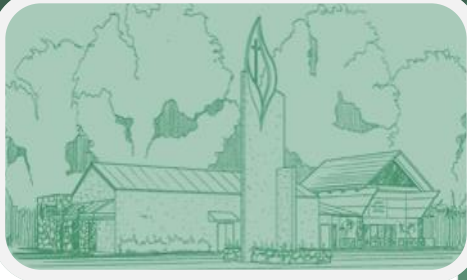
The Connection



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Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son

These lyrics written in 1978 by Henry Smith have become one of the top 100 praise songs of all time. The lyrics of this familiar praise song share the message from scripture for us to practice giving God thanks. Scripture tells us over and over to give God praise and thanks. Too often in life we focus on what we don't have instead of what we do. We focus on the shortcomings of others instead of encouraging and being thankful for the people in our lives. There are people and the behaviors of others that we have a legitimate difficult time being grateful for. Yet we are still called to "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

As we approach the last two months of the year and enter the holiday season, our focus is often on difficulties instead of blessings. We get caught up in the secular celebrations of Thanksgiving and Christmas. We complicate our lives trying to have the "perfect holiday" and miss the point of these seasons.

I love these five simple suggestions found in an article on relevantmagazine.com written by Ann Swindell. There are many other lists out there but lists of twenty things to make the holidays simple seemed overwhelming, contradictory and counterproductive. I need simple and I think simple works best for most of us. Try these five ways of leaving space for Christ to help you and everyone around you to receive the gifts of gratitude and grace this holiday season.

- Start with scripture (5 minutes or more first thing in the morning)
- Make time to serve (Look for opportunities to help someone else)
- Listen to truth (Christian radio and attending church help)
- Pause and pray when you feel overwhelmed (Stop and pray as needed)
- Plan your holidays intentionally (Don't overbook your life)

Pastor Donna

Reminder: Church Conference with our new District Superintendent, Dionne Hammond, will be at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, November 3. We will be voting on the proposal to sell three lots and our office property. If you would like more information on this proposal prior to Nov. 3, contact Pastor Donna.



**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
INFORMATION**



The UMW will host another
"Advent by Candlelight"

Sat., Dec. 7, 2019 at 6:30 PM in Hardin Hall
See Arlene Tilison or Elke Thomas
to sign up to become a hostess.

CIRCLES ARE MEETING AGAIN

The Dorcas Circle has separated and members and
any other women in the congregation are invited to
attend and/or join our other circles on the third
Tuesday of the month.

1:00 PM RUTH Circle—Arlene Tilison (386) 428-4351
(Choir Room)

7:00 PM NAOMI Circle—Linda Ritty (386) 345-3430
(Sunday School Room #3)



**Edgewater United
Methodist Church
will be 60 years
old in 2020!**

We have many people who have joined our congregation over
the last couple of years and we would like to update our
directory for our 60th anniversary. Save the date for your
photography session. Lifetouch will be coming to take your
professional photo on Feb. 3rd, 4th, and 5th. You will receive
one FREE 8X10 standard print, one free printed church
directory and a bonus FREE Shutterfly gift with purchase.
We will have more information about reserving your session
when the time is closer.

Our directory will not be complete
without YOU!

There will be a meeting Wed.,
Nov. 20th @ 1PM in the choir room.



CHURCH
DIRECTORIES
AND PORTRAITS



PRAISE & PIZZA

Join in each Saturday night at 6PM for more
praise music followed by pizza.

We are still looking for someone willing to
help out in the nursery during this time of
worship. Please contact Arlene Tilison if you are interested.



Thanks us for our gift
of \$407 to help victims
of the recent disasters. 100% of
donated funds go to those in need.



SAVE THE DATE

**CHRISTMAS
UNDER
THE PALMS**

Saturday,

Dec. 14, 2019~9AM-4PM

Do you have Christmas items
that you no longer use or are
tired of storing? Bring them to
classroom #3 and place them
on or under the marked tables
from Nov 1st thru Nov. 30th.

They will be sold in our
Christmas Shop at Christmas
Under the Palms. If you have
any questions, please contact
Dawn Showers (315)415-8883.



What tastes better than a homemade cookie (or your favorite
baked good or sweet)? **NOTHING!** The folks from our church
and community who shop our Bake Sale agree. Each year they
look forward to our scrumptious sweets at CUTP. So, we need
EVERYONE who loves to bake to make their special sweet
dessert or treat.

Bring your goodies to the Choir Practice Room (Old Fellowship Hall) on **Friday, Dec. 13,**
between 2 and 7. Please clearly label and price what you bring, especially items with
nuts. If you can package your goodies so they may be easily seen by our customers, it
will be greatly appreciated.

Hate to bake, but love to eat sweets! We have just the job for you. Be an enthusiastic
volunteer to sell on Saturday between 8 and 2. Choose when and how long to work. It's
fun to work together and meet new people and connect with old friends at CUTP.

Sign up sheets to bake/sell will be on the bulletin board in the hallway between Hardin
Hall and the Sanctuary by the end of November. Call Helen Karl with any questions at
386-409-8382 or contact by e-mail: catsandbooks@bellsouth.net.

Success of the Pumpkin Patch

Thank yous are extended to so many: Willard DeLoe, Carlton Bryan & Larry Doud for endless support unloading our pumpkins. Special thanks to Jim Townsend & Jeanie Ryan, Jim & Linda McGinnis and Larry & Carol Doud for weekly support, Cathy Elledge & Gina Bennert for so many working shifts, Shirley Vickers for organizing shifts and all those who volunteered. We had many outside groups that pitched in and we are grateful to everyone! We could not be so successful without the support of our church family.

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CALENDAR OF CHURCH MEETINGS & EVENTS

Boys & Girls Club to Mon.-Fri. 2PM-7PM
T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Meet each Tues. 8:30AM
Food Pantry Opened each Saturday 8:30-11:30AM

- Nov 2 9:00 AM UMM Meeting (Choir Room)
- Nov 2 6:00 PM Praise & Pizza (Communion)
- Nov 3 9:00 AM Praise Worship Service (Communion)
- Nov 3 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service (Communion)
- Nov 3 3:30 PM Church Conference (Sanctuary)**
- Nov 5 6:00 PM Trustees Meeting (Choir Room)**
- Nov 6 5:30 PM Handbell Choir Practice (Choir Room)**
- Nov 6 7:00 PM Choir Practice (Choir Room)**
- Nov 7 7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (Sand Bar, NSB)
- Nov 7 8:30 AM UMW Breakfast (Manny's Beachside, NSB)
- Nov 9 1:00 PM Crafters (1-3PM SS Rm #1)
- Nov 9 6:00 PM Praise & Pizza
- Nov 10 9:00 AM Praise Worship Service
- Nov 10 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service
(Cookie Sunday & 80+ BD Celebration)
- Nov 11 OFFICE CLOSED FOR VETERAN'S DAY**
- Nov 12 9:15 AM Prayer Ministry (Sanctuary)
- Nov 14 7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (Sand Bar, NSB)
- Nov 14 8:30 AM UMW Breakfast (Manny's Beachside, NSB)
- Nov 14 9:30 AM Card Ladies (Choir Room)
- Nov 14 5:30 PM Hand Bell Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- Nov 14 7:00 PM Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- Nov 16 6:00 PM Praise & Pizza
- Nov 17 9:00 AM Praise Worship Service
- Nov 17 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service
- Nov 19 9:15 AM Prayer Ministry (Sanctuary)
- Nov 12 1:00 PM Ruth Circle (Choir Room)
- Nov 12 7:00 PM Naomi Circle (Sunday School Rm. #3)
- Nov 20 1:00 PM Lifetouch Meeting (Choir Room)
- Nov 21 7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (Sand Bar, NSB)
- Nov 21 8:30 AM UMW Breakfast (Manny's Beachside, NSB)
- Nov 21 5:30 PM Hand Bell Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- Nov 21 7:00 PM Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- Nov 23 8:00 AM TURKEY HANDOUT (PANTRY CLOSED)**
- Nov 23 6:00 PM Praise & Pizza
- Nov 24 9:00 AM Praise Worship Service
- Nov 24 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service
- Nov 26 9:15 AM Prayer Ministry (Sanctuary)
- Nov 27 5:30 PM Handbell Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- Nov 27 7:00 PM Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- Nov 28 7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (Sand Bar)
- Nov 28 THANKSGIVING OFFICE CLOSED**
- Nov 29 OFFICE CLOSED**
- Nov 30 6:00 PM Praise & Pizza

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Nov. 3rd, 2019



We will honor all those who have passed away between Nov. 1, 2018 and Oct. 31, 2019. We have pulled all of the names that we had on our prayer list during the year.



PEANUT BUTTER

is needed for
THIRD SUNDAY donation
 November 17, 2019



THANK YOU!

This helps more than you can imagine!

Please save your plastic shopping bags and bring them in for our pantry!



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 01—Hedy Jacobsen
- 01—Keith Plourde
- 01—Jeanie Ryan +
- 02—Bob Bloomer +
- 02—Pat Hayman +
- 03—Jeanne Foster +
- 05—Bonnie Franke +
- 06—Selah Macnab
- 07—Pat Chaney +
- 09—Debbie Hockett
- 10—Jeff Jenkins
- 10—Nina Jenkins
- 11—Ron Balfour
- 14—Lindy DeLoe
- 17—Judy Woodbury
- 19—Nancy Hansen
- 19—Melissa Macnab
- 20—Marie Scudder +
- 27—Kenny Wince
- 30—Shirley Vickers +
- + = 80 or above



- NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES
- 01—Ken & Kim Davis
 - 27—Ed & Bev Brown
 - 29—Steve & Debi Laibe
 - 30—Al & Dora Wilkinson

Don't Forget!



**Clocks
F A L L
back this weekend**
@TheLoveOfAm

PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER:

CANCER:	JoEllen Curtis	Bob Lester	Bill Myers
Tom Carrigan	Melinda Hamilton	Judy Littorin	Tommie O'Donoghue
Norma Cassada	Claudia Hansen	Mauricio Martell	Maureen Powers
Ellen Chapman	Tom Heximer	Kim McCarty	Carol Rutter
Rick Chapman	Mike Hockett	John Miles	Jim Townsend
Leigh Clark	Scott Jackson	Randy Miller	Carolyn Walburan
Kristine Culver	Phil Johnson	Lorie Morris	

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Christopher Anderson	Travis Clayton	Reese J. Kelley	Tyler Schooled
Stephen Brindle	Christian Eckberg	Ross J. Kelley	Eric Shepherd
Matt Carpenter	Jillian Fuimano	Elijah Leary	Zac Tepfer
Nathan Chittick	Kayleigh Greenough	Jesse Evan Oliver	Josef Wojtiw
	Thomas Hansen	Samuel Roberts	

GENERAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Becky Benson	Chrystal Harris	Kelly Snyder
Greg Brice	Barb & Tom Heximer	Kristin Witt
Amber Coleman	Selah Macnab	Billie Young
Tim Cook	Kaylyn Over	
Luke Eastin	Carrie Schaefer	

Please keep in prayer and make a point to call, visit or send a card to our shut ins:

Norma Cassada	Ed & Vivian Nunn	Mary Jane Scowden
Pat Chaney	Ruth Pawlowski	Marie Scudder
Shirley Clevenger	Martha Petersen	Nettie Secrest
Meta Devlin	Bill Price	Estelle Smith
Jeannie Foster	Lois Ann Rector	Phyllis Sperry
Wilma Montgomery	Dave & Nancy Sanders	Grace Wood

If you need an address or phone number please call the office:
(386)-428-6552

NOVEMBER WORSHIP SERVICES: Scripture & Sermon Title

Nov. 3rd	Nov. 10th	Nov. 17th	Nov. 24th
Ephesians 1:11-23 What Are You Doing With Your Inheritance?	2 Thess.2:1-5,13-17 What Are You Holding Onto?	2 Thess. 3:6-13 What Are You Doing with Your Time?	Colossians 1:11-20 What Are You Thankful For?