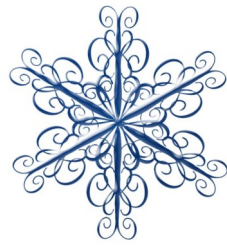


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January Notes

Jan. 4, F3 resumes, 5:30-7pm

Jan. 10, Worship Committee,
6:30pm

Jan. 11, Membership Committee,
12:30pm; United Women in Faith,
2:00pm

Jan. 19, Council Meeting, 7:00pm

Jan. 21, Craft Day, 9am-1pm

Jan. 25, February Newsletter
Deadline



Mondovi Sharing Table

Every Second Wednesday of
the Month

4:30-6:00pm

Meal is Free, Everyone
Welcome!

January 11—Central Lutheran
Church

Holy Communion - Sunday, January 8



Our Savior's and Gilmanton United Methodist Churches

OUTREACH

JANUARY 2023



PASTOR'S CORNER

When the new year comes, people make New Year's Resolutions, hoping to have a meaningful year. In a survey asking about New Year's resolutions, conducted by Lifeway Research at the end of 2021, people answered in the order of health, restoration of relationship with God, and finances. It seems that many people have become more interested in God while having a difficult time of corona pandemic. What wishes do you have for the new year?

When I served the Korean church, at the end and the beginning of the year, I encouraged church members to read the entire Bible within a year. One member who started attending the church four years ago said that she had been going to church for a long time but had barely read the Bible. She found a Bible reading chart on the information desk at the church and started reading the Bible using the chart. She is currently reading the Bible for the fourth time. As she read the Bible, she met Jesus personally and began to see the world from a biblical perspective.

For Christians, reading the Bible is the most important foundation along with prayer. When we start reading the Bible, we will know the joy of walking with Jesus, the Word, and live the abundant life that God has promised. The reasons and benefits of reading the Bible can be found in 2 Timothy 3:16-17 and John 20:31.

¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name (John 20:31).

Since the Bible is the word of God, we must pray for the help of the Holy Spirit when we read it. Therefore, pray like this: "Open my eyes, so that I may behold wondrous things out of your law" (Psalm 119:18). We should also encourage each other and start reading the Bible. If we read four chapters every day, we can read the entire Bible in one year. Following the plan alone may be difficult but if we go together, we can strengthen one another. I hope you have a blessed new year that each one of you and our church communities enjoy intimacy with God through Bible reading.

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." - Psalm 119:18

Joyful New Year,

Pastor Dr. Hyuntae Kim



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- 5 Kim Becker (G)
- 6 Terry Stiner
- 6 Ryan Schwartz
- 7 Brooke Vinck
- 7 Leah Saxe
- 9 Mary Beth Pichler
- 10 Sue Stoughton
- 12 Kathy Litchfield
- 16 Dalton Zingshiem
- 19 Deb Coppage (G)
- 20 Julia Branger
- 22 Lorraine Diener
- 22 Brandon Saxe Jr.
- 23 Vienna Bellemare
- 25 Eric Nordahl-Klevgard
- 27 Justin Johnston
- 28 Doris Davis (G)
- 30 Kashlyn Johnston
- 31 Sarah Boley

Anniversaries

January 2

Dennis & Traci Bauer

January 12

Dennis & Kathy Litchfield

January 14

Thomas & Rita McDonnell

January 23

Sonny & Linda Sandberg



Saturday, January 21

Craft Day

9:00am-1:00pm

*Bring your own projects and supplies.
Irons, ironing board and cutting board will be available.
Lunch—BBQs, cheesy hash browns provided. Bring a dish to pass!*

*“Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.”
—Isaiah 60:1*

Old Business: We updated on the bazaar held on November 5th. The assessment was that it went well. Thus far we do not have a dollar amount as to what was made.

New Business: Our December 14 meeting will be our Candlelight Service. We will meet at 1p.m. instead of 2 p.m. and will eat after our meeting and service. We will also fill Christmas tins with cookies. We are each to bring 2 dozen Christmas cookies. Small gifts, like previous years, will be included with the cookies. Julie Brunsch will purchase the gifts. Discussion took place regarding Christmas gifts for our church employees. Money gifts will be provided by United Women in Faith. Our program consisted of a World Thank Offering, which is an offering to meet needs of women, children and youth globally.

Jan Bechel, Christmas Walk Treasurer, gave a report of proceeds to include the spring thrift sale, fall pickle sales and Christmas Bazaar for a total of \$6206.75 after expenses. Jan will submit a write up for the newsletter and church bulletin.

Trustee Report (Sonny Sandberg absent)

Randy Johnston reported that the furnace in the Fellowship Hall was malfunctioning. Jim Williams will be in contact with Sonny regarding this.

SPRC (Jim Williams, Chair)

Jim reported there has been no meeting, and there will be no meeting until the applications for the secretarial job come in.

Worship Committee (Rita McDonnell, Interim Chair)

Rita reported she has ideas for Advent. Pastor will be looking at readings for Advent.

Rita reported we will no longer be ordering poinsettias or Easter Lilies. If members want to bring a plant in memory or honor of someone, they can bring them and let Joanne know. A note will be put in the newsletter/bulletin regarding this change.

Sunday School/VBS Report (Dora and Randy Johnston)

Dora reported the Christmas program will be during services on December 11, 2022. There have been between 15 to 20 children attending F3.

Dora and Randy inquired about getting cupboards for the back room of the kitchen for F3 supplies and food. Rita McDonnell made a motion to acquire and install cupboards for F3 in the back room of the kitchen. Jim Williams seconded. Motion carried. Randy Johnston and Jim Williams will look into this.

Randy reported their daughter, Beth, and granddaughter have offered to get together to help bake sugar cookies and decorate for serving after the December 11 program. The F3 children will also decorate some.

Dora inquired if the information regarding F3 could be added to the marquee for the church.

New Business

Dave Boley inquired regarding whether the Membership Committee is looking for lost contacts.

He inquired about sending little cards regarding happenings in the church or how can we pray for you. Discussion ensued.

Lay Leader (Rita McDonnell)

Rita reported she is working with different people who have questions, etc.

Lay Member to Annual Conference (Ann Yelle)

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Sunday School/VBS Report (Dora and Randy Johnston)

Ann reported on a Giving Tuesday Offering which is on November 29, 2022, for the United Methodist Church. Donation options are Scholars Award Programs, UMCOR Disaster Relief, Bishops Relief Fund, Harbor House Crisis Shelters, Northcott Neighborhood House, UM Children’s Services, Your Special Interest. Ann will make an announcement in church and

Joanne will put in the bulletin for donations on November 27th .

Motion to adjourn made by Randy Johnston, seconded by Julie Brunsch. Motion carried.

Meeting closed with Lord’s Prayer.



ACCOUNT BALANCES

NOVEMBER 30, 2022

| | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Checking | \$ | 1,949.44 |
| Elevator Repair | \$ | 524.00 |
| Local Disaster | \$ | 540.00 |
| New Ministries | \$ | 2,019.80 |
| Christmas Walk | \$ | 9,000.00 |
| Scholarships/Youth | \$ | 260.00 |
| Senior Ministry | \$ | 501.00 |
| Sunday School | \$ | 943.18 |
| Total Account Balances | \$ | 15,737.42 |



COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Council members present: Debbie Duncanson, Pastor Kim, Ann Yelle, Rita McDonnell, Linda Johnston, Kolleen Branger, Julie Brunsch, Jim Williams, Jan Bechel, Dora and Randy Johnston.

Guests: Gahnngin Kim, Dave and Lori Boley.

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Debbie Duncanson. Meeting was opened with reading of Mission Statement.

Pastor Kim opened with prayer.

Gahnngin Kim gave a presentation for options for improving live streaming. Discussion ensued.

Linda Johnston made a motion to upgrade to 4K transmission and digital audio interface.

Kolleen Branger seconded. Motion carried.

Kolleen Branger made a motion to use \$501.00 from Senior Ministry to cover costs and Julie

Brunsch reported there has been a \$110.00 donation to cover costs of an upgrade. Jim

Williams seconded. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: December 15, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

United Methodist Church Calendar

☐ Sundays of Advent, November 27, December 4, 11 and 18, 2022; Worship.

☐ World AIDS Day, December 1, 2022.

☐ Christmas Eve/Christmas Day, December 24 and 25, 2022.

☐ Watch Night, December 31, 2022.

Our Savior's United Methodist Church Calendar

☐ Sundays – Worship Service 10:30 a.m. in-person and online, communion 1st Sunday, coffee/sweets 2nd and 4th Sundays.

☐ Tuesdays – Bible Study, 5:30 p.m.

☐ Wednesdays – F3, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Activities on the Calendar

☐ Wednesday, December 14, 2022 – United

Women in Faith Christmas Candlelight Service

and meal, 1:00 p.m.

☐ Thursday, December 15, 2022 – Council meeting.

☐ Sunday, December 11, 2022 - Children's Christmas Program.

☐ Saturday, December 24, 2022 – 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service, Gilmanton; 6:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Service, Our Savior's.

☐ Sunday December 25, 2022 – No worship services.

Secretary's Report

Motion to accept October 20, 2022, Secretary's Report made by Ann Yelle and seconded by Rita McDonnell. Motion carried.

Finance Committee (Kolleen Branger, Chair)

Kolleen reported that in view of Jessica Zingsheim's resignation as Financial Secretary that she had reviewed the duties of the Financial Secretary position. Discussion ensued, and will be discussed further at the December meeting.

Executive Summary (Julie Brunsch, Treasurer)

Checking account totals are as follows: Beginning balance of \$23,320.55; deposits of \$9096.40; interest of \$2.82; expenditures of \$14,319.48; uncleared transactions of \$300.68 with an ending balance as of October 31, 2022, of \$17,799.61. Checking account reconciled with bank statement. Internal account balances are Checking \$95.63; Elevator Repair \$4440.00; Local

Disaster \$540.00; New Ministries \$2019.80; Christmas Walk \$9000.00; Scholarships/Youth Awards \$260.00; Senior Ministry \$501.00; Sunday School \$943.18 for balance of \$17,799.61.

Other accounts: Building/Restoration \$1963.11; Youth Fellowship Account \$4230.94.

Julie reported that she used \$1000.00 from the Christmas Walk Fund to cover expenses

in October.

The bill for the elevator repair of \$3916.00 has been paid and the part has been ordered.

Current checkbook balance is \$2746.21 with bills totaling \$4846.13 due by the end of November.

Julie reported the \$5000.00 donation from Dr. Smith has been used.

Memorial Report (Ann Yelle, Chair)

Balance as of September 30, 2022, \$19,455.93 with credits of \$44.04 and debits of \$1040.00 with ending balance of \$18,459.97.

Ann reported she used funds from the Elevator Repair, Judith Ede, and Lois Kramschuster Designated Memorials for the elevator repair bill. A fund for David Parr was created.

Motion made by Rita McDonnell and seconded by Linda Johnston to accept the October 2022 Executive Summary and Memorial Report. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report

Pastor reported he had a historical day as he participated in the choir.

Pastor reported that this year was the first time he had performed All Saints Sunday.

He has visited American Lutheran Home and many members of the church.

Debbie Duncanson reported that the Membership Committee met on November 9, 2022, and is working to identify people who have been unable to be reached and will be starting to work on a first time list for membership removal. The next meeting will be in January.

United Women in Faith Report (Linda Johnston, Chair)

Linda Johnston reported the following as submitted by Ann Yelle.

United Women in Faith met on November 9, 2022, with twelve women present.

NOV. 17, 2022

Please keep in prayer...

Mondovi Firefighters,

EMTs & Police

Department

Military Personnel

Our brothers and

sisters in Christ around the world.



Faith, Food & Fun



F3 will resume on
Wednesday, January 4

Please join us as we start the new year!

“DO SOMETHING”

The old saying, “It’s easier said than done” runs through my mind from time to time. It’s easy to say something and then not follow through on what you just said. It’s even easier to just do nothing. A few years ago I was asked by my doctor if there was something I could do to try to lower my cholesterol levels. I immediately thought of two things that I could do. As a result, I’ve been working on those two things; and my levels have been declining.

As the finance chairperson, I am tasked with oversight of the church’s financial status and informing the members of that status. Like any organization, we have an annual budget that we come up with. That’s not the hard part. The hard part is finding the money to support that budget. Here’s what I can tell you:

1. Our budget for 2023 is \$156,749.
2. Gilmanton UMC’s share is \$18,645.
3. That brings Mondovi UMC’s net budget down to \$138,104.
4. Divided by 12 months of the year, we need an average of \$11,508 or divided by 52 weeks, we need an average of \$2,655 to meet our budget.
5. We have about 180 members on our church roll.
6. If we divided our weekly needs (\$2,655) by our members (180), we come up with \$14.75 per week per member.
7. Let’s divided our weekly needs by a different number of members, say 120. That brings us up to \$22.13 per week per member.
8. Our weekly giving is nowhere close to \$2,655; therefore, it is getting harder and harder to pay our bills.

I have always been a big believer in being a good role model—to our children and the people I have had the pleasure of working with and supervising. Like my cholesterol levels, there are many ways that I can personally “do something” to help with our budgetary needs. Maybe instead of stopping at Acoustic Café for that cup of coffee and scone, I’ll just pack my own coffee in my thermos and bypass the treat. Maybe instead of going out to the Friday night fish fry, I can make a home-cooked meal. The list is infinite!

So my challenge to you is this: Consider “doing something” to help meet our weekly financial needs and keep our church doors open. I pray that you will. I also pray that as you do this, God will bless you back many times. “Our God is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all we ask or think.” —**Ephesians 3:20**

God Bless You All,

Kolleen Branger, Finance Chairperson



WORSHIP SERVICE HELPERS FOR OUR SAVIOR'S

| | Greeters/ Ushers | Worship Leader | Camera | Money Counters |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| Jan. 1 | Jim & Gloria Williams | Dannica Zingshiem | Saul Ness | Jay Branger & Linda Johnston |
| Jan. 8 | Mary Beth Pichler & Jan Bechel | Brendan Williams | Lori Boley | Mary Beth Pichler & David Saxe |
| Jan. 15 | Ann Yelle & Rita McDonnell | Mike Bruning | Saul Ness | Jan Bechel & Deb Bruning |
| Jan. 22 | Dave & Lori Boley | Ann Yelle | Lori Boley | Kolleen Branger & Paula Thompson |
| Jan. 29 | Randy & Dora Johnston | Linda Sandberg | Saul Ness | Bill Lier & David Saxe |
| Feb. 5 | Bob & Sue Stoughton | Mary Beth Pichler | Lori Boley | Jay Branger & Mary Beth Pichler |
| Feb. 12 | Rita McDonnell & Sue Sie | Katie Sandberg | Saul Ness | Linda Johnston & Jan Bechel |
| Feb. 19 | Jay & Kolleen Branger | Dannica Zingshiem | Lori Boley | Deb Bruning & Kolleen Branger |
| Feb. 22 (Ash Wed) | Linda Johnston & Terry Stiner | Lori Boley | Saul Ness | Linda Johnston & Bill Lier |
| Feb. 26 | Jim & Gloria Williams | Brendan Williams | Lori Boley | David Saxe & Paula Thompson |

Are you interested in being a greeter/usher, worship leader, or money counter? We are always looking for more volunteers to assist with worship on Sundays and other special services. For more information, please contact the office at 715-926-5354, or osumcmondovi@gmail.com. Thank you for considering this.



January 2023



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|---|-----------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 9:00 Gilmanton Worship 10:30 Our Savior's Worship  | 2 | 3 | 4 5:30-7 pm F3 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8-Holy Communion 9:00 Gilmanton Worship-SS after church 10:30 Our Savior's Worship-coffee & sweets after church | 9 7:00 Dartball (home) | 10 6:30 Worship Committee | 11 12:30 Membership Committee 2:00 United Women in Faith 4:30-6pm Sharing Table @ Central Lutheran 5:30-7 pm F3 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 15 9:00 Gilmanton Worship- SS after church 10:30 Our Savior's Worship | 16 7:00 Dartball (home) | 17 | 18 5:30-7 pm F3 | 19 4-5:30pm Ruby's Pantry 7:00 Council meeting | 20 | 21 9am-1pm Craft Day at OS |
| 22 9:00 Gilmanton Worship-SS after church 10:30 Our Savior's Worship-coffee & sweets after church | 23 7:00 Dartball (home) | 24 | 25 <i>February Newsletter Deadline</i> 5:30-7 pm F3 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 9:00 Gilmanton Worship-SS after church 10:30 Our Savior's Worship Food Pantry Offering | 30 7:00 Dartball (home) | 31 | | | | |