

November 2018



Sunday, November 4, 2018

Daylight-Saving
Time EndsSet your clocks **BACK** one
hour before bed Saturday
night!

Lately, I've become less inclined to turn on the TV, or to listen to the news on the radio, for fear that, as bad as news tends to be, it will be even worse. And it's not just that bad news tends to be more popular to report on than good news. It truly seems that there is more bad news to report on these days. Still, I listen, and watch, lest I be ignorant of the world in which we live.

Which is why now, more than ever, I turn to the church as a way to anchor myself in some really Good News. It is here where I feel the warm fellowship of good, Christian souls. It is here where I can lay my hands to the Lord's plow and cultivate God's love and grace, extending it to the world and to our community. It is here where I can be myself without judgment, and at the same time where I can lovingly be held accountable for the life I live. It is here where I find strength from above to be the person God wants me to be. It is here where I am fed.

If you are like me when it comes to the church, then I invite you to take some time this month to reflect on God's love, and the blessings we enjoy through God's gift of our lovely church here in Monroe.

Join me, as we consider the difference it makes in our lives to be part of God's holy church, and the opportunities we have to serve our Lord whenever we come together as one body under one Spirit. Also, on Christ the King Sunday, November 25, all of us will have the opportunity to make our commitment to the ministries of Monroe United Methodist Church through our financial pledges for 2019. I am not hesitant to ask you to consider increasing your giving as you are able, because I know you want to serve a church that is financially healthy. My promise is that you will soon have a clear understanding of where our contributions go (the church budget), with full transparency. Pray about this with me, will you please? And in all things, let us be thankful.

May God bless and keep you.

In Christ,

Pastor Van

November 4 is All Saints Sunday. It is a day when we and many other Christians celebrate the communion of saints," remembering those Christians in the world, and within our own congregation, who have died in the last year. All are encouraged to lift their precious names during our time of prayer as we worship this Sunday.

Thank you all for your loving prayers, love and kindness during the loss of my sister, Betty Tiffany.

Patty Eilander

thank you



The UMW will hold their General Meeting Friday November 9th at 1:30. The program will be presented by Jeanne Van Genderen. Donna Stravers and Virginia Cash are the hostesses.



November Community Table will be held Wednesday November 21 from 5-7!

Turkey or Chicken and noodles over mashed potatoes will be featured.

**Banner Making continues
Saturday November 3 & 17
from 9-2 at the Church If you
have any questions call
Jeanne!**

Monroe United Methodist Church will be hosting a Thanksgiving Ecumenical Worship Service on Sunday, November 18 at 6:00 p.m. Reverend Ann Johnson of the Monroe Presbyterian Church will be preaching the service. Everyone is invited.

**MUMC CHURCH
COUNCIL WILL MEET
WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 14 AT 7:00.**



The Annual Turkey Supper will be held Tuesday November 6 from 5:30 to 7:00.

The menu features turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, coleslaw, cranberry sauce, pie and a drink.

Children Under 6 are \$4.00, Adults \$10.00

Take-out is available, call the church office at 259-2822 to place your order or for more information.

**Happy
Thanksgiving**



**In observance of Thanksgiving
the church office will be
closed Thursday and Friday.**

*"I will give thanks to you, LORD,
with all my heart; I will tell of all
your wonderful deeds."*

Psalm 9:1

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2018



VETERANS DAY

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE



Fall Bazaar 2018



Thank you for making the UMW Fall Bazaar a HUGE success again this year! No matter what you did, whether it was helping prepare items for sale, helping with set-up or clean up, donated baked items or crafts, told your friends or just came to browse THANK YOU! Without everyone's help and contributions the UMW Fall Bazaar would not be possible.

Our UMW missions benefit greatly from the monies raised for the bazaar. We appreciate everyone and can't say THANK YOU enough!

Bazaar Committee, Jeanne Van Genderen, Bobbie Schrader, Glenda Wing, Marcia McConeghey, Elaine Keuning, Dawn Neff



Birthdays

November

Anniversaries

1	Charlie Hoeksema
2	Ella Swarts
3	Daryl Hormann Judy Stock
6	Betty Joiner Jody Timmins
11	Ted & Glenda Wing
14	Brian Woody
15	Chance Palm Keith & Jill Brumbaugh
17	Dylan Holdsworth
20	Tucker Van Der Hart
21	Kelsey LaZella Reva McConeghey Helen Nolin
22	Mark & Stacy Hupfeld
24	Ryan Phiher
27	Jane Fennema Glen & Patty Duinink
29	Marcy Romick



November Greeters

November 4

Don & Mary Vaske

November 11

Rod & Lori Schakel Family

November 18

Rod & Lori Schakel Family

November 25

**Alan Jennings, Deb Coulter
Rod & Jeanne Van Genderen**

Liturgist

November 4

June Hjortshoj

November 11

Lori Schakel

November 18

Melba Brummett

November 25

Ada Beth Hume

Communion

November 4

Deb Coulter, Alan Jennings

Hospitality

Joyce Van Der Hart

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Sun

Mon

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Thu

Fri

Sat

				1 All Saints Day	2	3 Banner Making 9-2 @ the Church
4 All Saints Sunday Sunday School 8:45 Coffee Time 9:00 Worship w/ Communion 9:30 SPRC 10:30 Founder's Day mtg	5 AA 6:00	6 Bible Study 9:00 UMW Turkey Supper 5:30-7	7 MOMs 9:00 Chimes 6:30	8	9 UMW General Meeting 1:30	10
11 Veterans Day Sunday School 8:45 Coffee Time 9:00 Worship 9:30	12 Veterans Day Observed— Office Closed AA 6:00	13 Bible Study 9:00	14 Church Council 7:00 Chimes 6:30	15	16	17 Banner Making 9-2 @ the Church
18 Sunday School 8:45 Coffee Time 9:00 Worship 9:30 Founder's Day mgt 10:30 Ecumenical Service 6:00	19 Men's Club 6:30 AA 6:00	20 Bible Study 9:00	21 Community Table 5-7 Chimes 6:30	22 Office Closed 	23 Office Closed	24
25 Christ the King Loyalty Sunday Sunday School 8:45 Coffee Time 9:00 Worship 9:30 Hospitality 10:30	26 SPRC Ministry Expectations w/ D.S 6-8 AA 6:00	27 Bible Study 9:00	28 Boy Scouts 6:00 Chimes 6:30	29	30	

“ We are a friendly, faithful, and loving family
dedicated to sharing God with our neighbors.”

Vision Statement , Monroe UMC



Monroe United Methodist Church

Sunday School 8:45-9:15

Coffee Time 9:00

Worship Service 9:30

Rev. Van Dickens

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