

As we enter November, we enjoy several special Sundays. Of course, every Sunday is reason to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord. This month, we remember in specific ways how this good news speaks to our times.

On Sunday, November 3, we will observe All Saints Sunday, John Wesley's favorite day when we remember with gratitude all the faithful who paved the way for us to know our loving savior. We remember saints of biblical times and the more recent ones who brought us closer to God. In its essence, a saint is someone who is set apart for God's holy

purposes, which can be anybody when you think about it—even you! Come, remember, and rejoice with others how God has worked, and is working in the lives of his people.

Then on Sunday, November 10, we will honor all veterans who have served God and country in good times and bad, during peace and war as we enter the Veterans Day weekend. We encourage all veterans, and all who have family members past and present who are vets to bring photos of your loved one and line them along the stage.

Sunday, November 17, marks the last Sunday of the season after Pentecost, a transitional day as we begin to move into a new Christian season in which we ask the Holy Spirit to guide us in these uncertain days and to help us abide in the faith that sustains us.

On Sunday, November 24, we lift up two important truths of faith. We recognize the rule of Christ (Christ the King Sunday) as well as give great thanks for God's bounty as we enter the week of national Thanksgiving. After worship, we will "deck the halls" for Advent and enjoy some good old fashioned pot luck in the fellowship hall. Later that evening, we will give thanks with our Presbyterian neighbors at their church at 6pm—a big day indeed!

And this is just the Sundays. My hope is that you take advantage of the opportunities God offers to feed your soul. If you have not been coming to church lately, for whatever reasons, make a concerted effort to do so now. Rekindle the ties that bind. Put God in the center of your life, and be blessed. See you Sunday!!



The Annual Turkey Supper is Tuesday, November 5.

Serving starts at 5:30. The menu features turkey & dressing, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, coleslaw, pie and a drink. Kids six and under are \$5, all others \$11. Eat at the church or pick up take-out. For local delivery please contact the church at (641)259-2822 by 4:45 the day of the dinner.



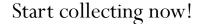
# Bidwell Riverside Center needs gloves and mittens!



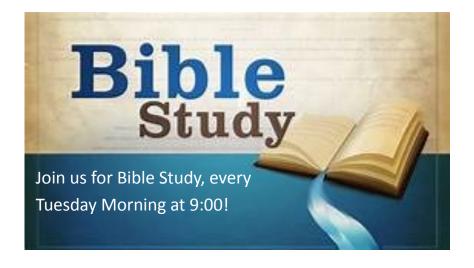
Can we gather 175 pair of gloves and mittens by Thanksgiving? We think we can!



We will start loading the mitten tree right after the turkey supper. Any size needed from 0 to extra large, men, women and kids!









## Winter Preparedness Tips from Pastor Catie Newman, IAUMC Disaster Response Coordinator

Winter officially begins on December 21, 2019, also known as the Winter Solstice, (the longest night of the year.) However, it looks like winter will arrive in lowa early this year.

Yesterday, several regions in Iowa saw snow and freezing rain, and in the next few days, we are forecasted to receive more.

Winter storms can include high winds, snow, rain, freezing rain, thunderstorms and more. This is a good time to take a few minutes and get prepared for winter weather.

Here is a list of winter preparedness tips:

#### For your home:

- Have a plan for how you will keep warm if the power is of for an extended time. DO NOT use the oven or a gas-powered source inside your home.
- Have fresh batteries, flashlights or candles in a convenient place.
- Have some food that does not need to be cooked or heated to eat.
- Have some water stored in a convenient place. The suggested amount is one gallon per person/animal, per day.
- Block drafts by rolling up towels and blankets and placing them in front of doors/windows.

#### For your vehicle:

- Keep the gas tank at least half-full all the time.
- Have an emergency kit in your vehicle that includes, extra warm clothing, water and packaged snacks.
- If you get stuck or stranded, STAY IN YOUR VEHICLE. You will stay warmer out of the wind and will be easier to find.
- Let someone know where you are headed, check-in with family/friends while traveling long distances.

#### Other:

- \*\*Check on your neighbors during and after winter storms.
- \*\*Be practical about the amount of time you spend outdoors, be prepared.

"It's not the weather that will hurt you...it's not being prepared for the weather"

For more winter preparedness tips visit The Red Cross website ready.gov Stay Warm,

Catie Newman

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# Fall Bazaar 2019

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







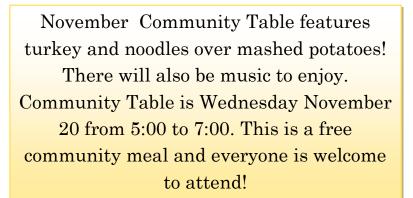






The UMW General Meeting will be held Friday November 8 at 1:30 p.m. The program is by Donna Stravers. Janice Cook and Glenda Wing will be hostesses.

Church Council meeting is Wednesday, November 13 at 7:00 p.m.



### November 3

Ushers & Greeters:

Don & Mary Vaske, Charlie & Dawn Hoeksema

Liturgist Jan Phifer

Communion: Dianna Nolin & Dawn Neff

November 10

**Ushers & Greeters:** 

Rod & Lori Schakel

Liturgist: Jeanne Van Genderen

November 17

**Ushers & Greeters:** 

Rod & Lori Schakel

Liturgist: Ada Beth Hume

**November 24** 

**Ushers & Greeters:** 

Alan Jennings, Deb Coulter, Rod & Jeanne Van Genderen

Liturgist: June Hjortshoj Hospitality: Lori Schakel



Shower Reva McConeghey with 90th birthday blessings on November 21st!

Send cards to 608 E 2nd St Apt 219, Pella, IA 50219

1	Charlie Hoeksema
2	Ella Swarts
3	Daryl Hormann
6	Betty Joiner
	Jody Woody
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 Phifer
27	Jane Fennema
29	Marcy Romick





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Sunday School 8:45		Turkey Supper 5:30 – 7:00				
Coffee Time 9:00 Worship w/ communion 9:30	AA 7:00		Youth Group 6:30 Chimes Practice		UMW General Meeting 1:30	
Cub Scouts 5:30		Turkey Supper 5:30 p.m.	6:30			
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24	25	26	27	28 Office Closed	29	30
Sunday School 8:45		Bible Study 9:00	MOMs 9:00			
Coffee Time 9:00				Happy Thanksgiving		
Worship 9:30						
Ecumenical Service @ Presb. Church 6:00	AA 7:00					
Cub Scouts 5:30						





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