



VOYAGEUR

November 2021

Dear Church Family,

Welcome to November! We begin this season of gratitude with All Saints Day. This year, we will have a lay lead service of remembrance and gratitude for people who have touched our lives. It begins a month of gratitude culminating in Thanksgiving. I am hopeful that the COVID pandemic will have slowed down a bit by that time. One aspect of our lives which has changed in the last year is that we can no longer take for granted being together.

I am especially grateful for you as a church family, and the way you have persisted in being present with one another. For all of the times we've been able to gather in person and online, we've been stubbornly persistent in our relationships as our world is changing. It's not an easy time to live.

Yet here we are in our life with God. I hope and pray that God will create within you a Spirit of gratitude. May you be blessed to find ways to share it with one another.

May we also look forward to the season of Advent in a year where it will not be difficult to imagine more hope-filled times.

Pastor Rob

**Rob will be on vacation
November 2 through November 10**

Have you looked for our hidden picture? Once you find what we've hidden in the Newsletter, call the church office at 218-751-3503. Leave the day and the time you're calling. Also, tell us where you found it. The item you will be looking for this month is a dusty bible, (UH OH) as seen below. We have a wonderful prize waiting for you! ↓
 One winner per year, per household!
 Good Luck!



Thanks to all the food shelf volunteers-you know who you are! It's a worthy mission. For those who would like to donate, the cart is in the lounge or money can be sent directly to the food shelf. I can pick stuff up if you call me at: (218) 760-1876. Call me as well if you would like to volunteer. Stay healthy, happy and give to whatever charity you believe in cheerfully! A lot of worthy causes are out there.
Nancy Manley

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Community Table has many requests for gloves, hats, sweatpants and blankets. If you have extra, please put them in the box in the lounge. Thank you

BIBLE SCRAMBLE

Answers on page 3

Bible Scramble: Unscramble the letters in each word to discover the passage.

EH TTHA TSSPIHEED SIH RONIHGEB TSNNIHE: UTB EH TTHA THHA YRMEC NO EHT RPOO, YPPHA SI EH. OD YTHE TON RRE TTHA VSIEED VLIE? UTB YRMEC NDA UTTRH SLLHA EB OT TMHE TTHA VSIEED OOGD.

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“You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in THANKSGIVING TO GOD.”

1 Corinthians 9:11



November Birthdays

Nov. 1 Ben Stowe

Nov 4 George Stowe

Nov 7 Lois Jessen

Nov 8 Tom Dvorak & Marcia Roline

Nov 11 Seth Knudson

Nov 14 Craig Gilbertson & Dn Leet

Nov 17 Dave Dahlberg & Evan Hazard

Nov 18 Joyce Holmstrom



Solution to Bible Scramble:

He that despiseth his neighbor sinneth: but he that hath mercy on the poor, happy is he. Do they not err that devise evil? But mercy and truth shall be to them that devise good. Proverbs 14:21-22

JUST A REMINDER...

Articles for the November Newsletter are due in to the office no later than **2:00pm on Friday, November 12, 2021**. You may text, email or call the office. If you catch Deborah on Sunday, PLEASE tell her it's information for the newsletter and have it written down. Thank you

Pastor Rob is in the office Wednesdays and any other weekdays by appointment.



PRAYERS

...at Neilson Place: Jean Slinkman

...at Trillium: Judy Comstock

...at Windsong: Wag Collins, Bert Clark, Evan Hazard and Dotty Naramore

...at home with her daughter, Kathleen Magsam

...at Havenwood Care Center: Patty Boyer, Mary Conner

...at Goldpine: Laura Hays, Ruby Hausauer, Helen LeClaire Robert Frazey

...at Birch Haven Village: Betty Brooks

...The family of Lois Jesson as they mourn her passing



Please contact Jan Grimm to add a name to the Prayer Chain. Her phone number is:
H- (218) 444-0209 C- (218) 821-7816

Jan Grimm, and all on the prayer chain, want to **thank**

Helen LeClaire

for her many devoted years working with and for the prayer chain. What a blessing you have always been to all of us. Our precious Helen will no longer be serving specifically on our prayer chain, and so we are LOOKING FOR PRAYER CHAIN VOLUNTEERS. If you are looking for a great and important ministry, please consider this. Contact Jan to talk it over with her.



Do you read your bible? If you own a copy you may consider yourself very fortunate; There was a time when the elite of the church governments taught that no regular person could understand the bible. None but a few had the written bible. Before the advent of the printing press, the only way to duplicate a document or book was to copy it by hand. Probably the first copies of writing were made by engraving symbols on a slab of rock. A more temporary copy could be made by using a stylus on beeswax. The ancient invention of ink or dye enabled early scribes to make marks on animal hides, which could be scrubbed and used again.

The English Bible Timeline:

1384: produces a hand-written English translation of the complete Bible; All 80 Books; his translation was from the Latin Vulgate and not from Greek or Hebrew.

1455: Gutenberg invents the printing press; Books may now be mass-produced instead of individually hand-written. The first book ever printed is in Latin.

1525: translated from the Greek MSS; This is the first New Testament to be printed in the English language on the printing press. Tyndale did not finish translating the Old Testament.

1535: Miles ; The first complete Bible to be printed in the English Language (80 Books: Old Testament and New Testament including the Apocryphal books which are non-canonical).

1537: ; The second complete Bible to be printed in English. Done by John "Thomas Matthew" Rogers (80 Books). 1539: The "Great Bible" or "Cramner's Bible" printed; The first English language Bible to be authorized for public use (80 Books).

1560: The Printed; The First English Language Bible to add numbered verses to each chapter (80 Books).

1568: The Printed; The Bible of which the King James was a revision (80 Books, as well as a 20% cut and paste from the Geneva Bible).

1609: The of 1582 (Catholic translation) making the first complete English Catholic Bible; It was translated from the Latin Vulgate (80 Books).

1609: The first printing of the King James Bible; originally with All 80 Books.

1611: The revised and printed; all 80 Books. The Apocrypha was Officially Removed in 1885 Leaving Only 66 Books.

1782: Robert Aitken's Bible; The first English language Bible (a King James Version without Apocrypha) to be Printed in America.

1791: Isaac Collins and Isaiah Thomas respectively produce the first Family Bible and First Illustrated Bible printed in America. Both were King James Versions, with All 80 Books.

1808: Jane Aitken's Bible (Daughter of Robert Aitken); The First Bible to be printed by a Woman.

1833: ; After Producing his Famous Dictionary, Webster Printed his Own Revision of the King James Bible.

1846: The Illuminated Bible; The most lavishly illustrated Bible printed in America. A King James Version, with All 80 Books.

1885: The "" Bible; The First Major English Revision of the King James Bible.

1901: The ""; The First Major American Revision of the King James Bible.

1971: The "" (NASB) is Published as a "Modern and Accurate Word for Word English Translation" of the Bible from the Greek and Hebrew texts.

1973: The "" (NIV) is published as a "Modern and Accurate Phrase for Phrase English Translation" of the Bible. (However its accuracy is very much disputed in many places and is often found wanting as a reliable translation. It is categorized as a dynamic equivalent.)

1982: The "" (NKJV) is published as a "Modern English Version maintaining the original style of the King James."

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Our vision and mission: Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.



Congratulations to Velma Wesloh for finding the hidden object this past month. See if you can find this month's!

The prizes are wonderful, useful and fun. Velma pulled out an art set with paints, palette, and canvas.

**Bemidji Methodist Women will meet on
November, 17, 2021 at 9:15am.**

HOSTESS: Joyce Holstrum and Jan Miller

DEVOTIONS: TBA

PROGRAM: Speaker Beth Brown (Dwa Brown)

The Subject is: Human Trafficking

Brunch served at 9:15am with Fellowship.

Invite a guest. Everyone is welcome!

open hearts
open minds
open doors



The People of the United Methodist Church
Making Disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world.

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**OFFICE OPEN
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY
FROM 10AM - 2PM
OFFICE CLOSED
MONDAYS AND FRIDAYS**

Offering for 10-20-21- \$6,854.08

October Giving \$2,500 of that was given for building fund

Offering for 10-06-21- \$3,228.00

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**BUMC has a LIBRARY
FREE & OPEN TO ALL**



From Jane at Community Table

Community Table used to be called Bemidji Soup Kitchen, but the name got changed when its mission went to not only feeding the needy but encouraging anyone to join in a free meal and get to know each other.

Many people may not realize that Community Table pays the United Methodist Church for the use of its facility. 4 meals dinner per week are offered by Community table. We provide dinners on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Ann Campbell and Jane Killgore are the organizers for Wednesdays; Kari Lewis from Choice Therapy organizes the Thursday dinner. We offer take out meals and sandwiches and hot meals. We could not do this without other volunteers who help set up 100+ bags and fill them with a beverage, napkin, plastic ware and desert and fruit when available. We use other volunteers for serving usually starting to serve at 4:30 and stopping at 6:00 PM (sooner if we run out of food).

Community table also provides some emergency food if someone comes asking our church if we have any food during the daytime. We work closely with the food shelf and get donated bread from there and sometimes extra perishables that they cannot use. We buy our food from the food bank in Grand forks and a much reduced price than local grocery stores. We are given expired and damaged beverages from our local Coca Cola distributor situated in the industrial park. We are always grateful for donations to Community Table which can use to buy special treats at Thanksgiving and Christmas or anytime of the year. We serve on the average 100 meals per night and are able to give left overs to the Battered Women's shelter and to the Peoples church.

Many people arrive on bicycles so plastic bags with handles allows them to carry 10 or more meals on their bike handles with spilling the contents of their meal. Everyone who comes for our food are grateful for the meal and often stay and talk to us about their personal lives, work and families. Many of you may not know that during the pandemic, the Community Table volunteers are considered essential workers giving some of us a legitimate reason to leave the house. Finally, we are still looking for a volunteer cook for Thursday.



Hello! "Notes from Leisa" is a new column in the BUMC newsletter that will discuss music in the church. If you have thoughts or questions on sacred music that you would like addressed, please talk to Leisa on Sunday.

Please accept my heartfelt thanks for all the kindness and care expressed to me during my bike accident. For the prayers, cards, visits or attempted visits (covid in Neilson) and food brought to our house. It's great to have a church family that cares. I have a positive attitude and am recovering well and can do most things by myself. My life right now is PT and OT and doctor's appointments. I had surgery on my broken elbow, cast is long gone and flexibility is coming back. The two pelvic fractures have to heal on their own. I'm working hard to strengthen and condition my body after the trauma. No more biking this season, but I'll be back strong as ever next season. Verna Lofberg...

**All Saints Sunday
is November 7th
Please let Becky Lueben know
those whose names you'd like
remembered by November 2nd
We will be
lighting candles for
those who have gone before us.**

**The Disciplines are now
available in the office
for purchase at
\$15 ea**

***The hanging of the greens will
take place during worship
November 14 with a celebratory meal afterwards. We are
taking donations toward the food. You can make out a
check or cash and leave in the office for Deborah.***



Sunday, November 7, 2021, at 2 a.m.
Be sure to set your clocks back one hour before
bed Saturday night!





Thank you Dennis Thompson for your glorious gift of beauty, nature and hope to grace our going out and coming in. SO many people enjoyed them all season! May you be richly blessed as you blessed us.



My sister and I write letters to one another; we have for decades. It's a dying art, and very special when I receive one from her. She feels the same.

For our Stewardship mission this year, we've decided to do letter writing.

Those who can help, please contact Dave Swenson, Deborah Davis, or Pastor Rob.

*Thank you
-Deborah*

**In and through community lies the salvation of the world.
M. Scott Deck**



STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT FOR 2022

I pledge to honor my commitment to the Bemidji United Methodist Church through my prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness.

**My/Our pledge to the BUMC for 2022 is: \$ _____ per Month
(This pledge may be revised or canceled any time at my request.)**

Name _____

Signature _____

~Please return this card to the church by December 23, 2021