

SIGN ME UP

- I'M INTERESTED IN SERVING IN THE FOLLOWING WAY(S):
- ☐ Greeter/Usher
 - ☐ Staff the Welcome Desk
 - ☐ Communion Server
 - ☐ Co-Lead Sunday School and/or Quest
 - ☐ MUMC Grounds Team
 - ☐ Technology Booth (Sunday Mornings)
 - ☐ Wednesday Night Dinner Chef
 - ☐ Gingerbread Bash Volunteer December 18th
 - ☐ Setup ☐ Cleanup
 - ☐ Gingerbread House Decorating
 - ☐ Cookie Decorating ☐ Cocoa Crew
 - ☐ Santa Helper
 - ☐ Simpson Memorial Dinner December 12th
 - ☐ Provide a cooked and sliced turkey
 - ☐ Provide a dessert
 - ☐ Help serve dinner

- I'M INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN THE FOLLOWING WAY(S):
- ☐ Sing with the Christmas Carolers (12/11)
 - ☐ Attend the Christmas Potluck/Movie (12/12) Bringing: _____
 - ☐ Attend the Gingerbread Bash (12/18)
of Kids _____ # of Adults _____

PRAYER REQUESTS

- ADD MY REQUEST TO:
- ☐ Weekly Email
 - ☐ Sunday Morning Prayers
 - ☐ Prayer Chain
 - ☐ Please Keep Private
 - ☐ I would like the Pastor to contact me

UPCOMING
EVENTS

Office Hours:
M - Th -- 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
F-- 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

SUN	10:00 AM - Worship
12/8	11:15 AM - United Women in Faith Bake Sale
MON	7:30 AM - Bible Study
12/9	9:30 AM - Quilters 6:30 PM - Toastmasters
TUES	11:00 AM - Staff Meeting
12/10	6:45 PM - Servant Leadership Board
WED	5:30 PM - Weds. Night Dinner - Italian Baked Ziti
12/11	6:30 PM - Bible Black Belts 6:30 PM - Confirmation/Youth Group Caroling & Christmas Party 6:30 PM - MUMC Caroling
THURS	9:30 AM - Cards
12/12	12:00 PM - Movie & Potluck 6:00 PM - Simpson Homeless Memorial March and Dinner
FRI	9:30 AM - MOMs Club
12/13	
SAT	9:00 AM - Kramer's School of Music
12/14	



Audio Assistance
Hearing assistance devices are also available for your use, and can be obtained from the soundboard.

WAYS TO GIVE

In Person: Offering Plate
Text: GIVENOW to (952) 900-6088
Online: minnetonkaumc.org/giving

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We Gather For Worship

Gathering Music	
"Little Drummer Boy"	
"The Song of the King (Hark! The Herald Angels Sing)"	
Lighting of the Advent Wreath	
Welcome and Breakthrough Prayer	
Receiving of the Offering	"It Came Upon A Midnight Clear" #218 UMH
A Time of Prayer	
"In the Bleak Midwinter"	#221 UMH
Scripture Reading	Isaiah 11:1-4a, 6 NRSV Matthew 3:1-12 The Message
Sermon	"A Promise Shared"
"He Shall Reign Forevermore"	
Sending Forth and Blessing	

10:00 AM

The Christmas season is always full. Full of anticipation and tradition, family and music, friends and gifts, joy and birth. But it can also include loss, deadlines, dread, regret and longing. Whatever you're feeling and experiencing, a new day awaits, pregnant with truth and hope. Join us as we once again prepare for the coming of Christ and the fulfillment of the greatest promise ever made.



CHILDREN

Children's Christmas Pageant — Children's Christmas Pageant will be held on Sunday, December 22nd. Remaining rehearsals will be December 8 and 15 during Sunday School and December 21st from 9-12 at the church, with lunch to follow! If you would like your child to participate, please sign them up at:
<https://tinyurl.com/MUMCPageant>



STUDENTS

Student Mission 2025 - This year's mission will be July 19-27, 2025 in Colorado Springs, CO. The mission trip is open to 7th-12th grade students. Please see Chris Carr for more info. You can sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/2025MUMCSM>
A \$50 deposit is required to hold your spot.



SMALL GROUPS

Monday Morning Bible Study: 7:30 AM
You're invited to join us for conversation as we study a pre-assigned text for the week. Meet us in the Coffee Commons. All are welcome.

SERMON NOTES:

2025 Vacation Bible School - MUMC Vacation Bible School is going to be June 23-27. Sign-ups and volunteer opportunities will be announced soon! Save the dates!

Joint Youth Group/Confirmation Class Christmas Party will be on Wednesday, December 11th at 6:30 PM. Join us for caroling and a party after dinner!

"I Heard the Bells" Movie & Potluck — All are invited to come and celebrate the Christmas season on December 12th at noon by sharing in a potluck lunch and watching the movie "I Heard The Bells", Sign up on your Connect Card today!

Christmas Caroling - Join us in spreading some Christmas cheer after dinner on Wednesday, December 11th. You can sign up on your Connect Card.

Gingerbread Bash - Join us on Wednesday, December 18th for our Gingerbread Bash! Decorate a gingerbread house and cookies, listen to a story from Santa and sip on some cocoa. You can sign up to attend or to volunteer on your Connect Card today!

Free Books — A selection of books from the church library is available on a table outside the main doors to the Sanctuary. The books are free for anyone to take, but if you wish, you can leave a free-will donation in the basket provided. More books will be added as space permits. Books that are not taken after being on display will be donated or recycled to make more room for educational materials in the library. For questions, contact Judy Fallat, fallat2@comcast.net, 952-938-3903

Panama Prayer Partners Request - The Panama Mission Team is making final preparations for their Jan 2025 trip and they need your help! Will you be a prayer partner to a team member? See Cathy Kurtz or Carol Boyd to sign up and get the envelope to place your trinkets or thoughts packets into. Prayer partner packages need to be back to the church no later than Sunday Jan 19. Remember your love and support is so important the team members.

Simpson Memorial Dinner, December 12th - We are still looking for volunteers to help serve dinner, or to donate desserts! For 40 years, hundreds of community members have come together for the Homeless Memorial March and Service to remember people who have died while experiencing homelessness, who were previously homeless, or who were advocates. MUMC has been a partner in this memorial for most of those 40 years, serving the Community Dinner following the service. Sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/Simpson40>

Panama Pharmacy Cart - The Panama Mission Team will be leaving in January. There is a mobile pharmacy that each team uses and restocks with medications. Donations to date have filled our pharmacy cart over 1/5 of the way .Please consider offering a donation marked "Panama Mission" to help support this mission! Please see Barb Kern-Pieh for more info.

Men's/Women's Breakfast Fellowship - Join MUMC friends for breakfast and fellowship on December 20th at Perkins (Hwy 7 & Hopkins Crossroad). Please let Cleone Hagmann know if you plan to attend! (952) 917-9022

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please complete the card, tear at the perforation and place in the Offering plate

Name:

Address:

City:

State: Zip Code:

Email:

Phone:

Contact Preference:

Email

Phone

Text

I/We are...

☐ First Time Guest

Please Select One:

I would like MUMC to make a donation in my name to :

☐ ICA Food Shelf (Minnetonka)

☐ Simpson Shelter (Minneapolis)

☐ United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) - global disaster and humanitarian relief.

☐ Returning Guest

☐ Member/Attend Regularly

☐ I invited someone to church this week

How did you hear about us?:

My Next Step Today:

☐ Include me in the weekly email list

☐ Learn about MUMC & Membership

☐ Find a small group

☐ Learn about mission opportunities

☐ Learn about digital giving