

Calendar of Events
December 9th - December 16th
Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00am - 2:00pm

Sun. December 2nd

1st Sunday of Advent

Holy Communion

Family Promise Week

White Gift Sunday

9:00am Worship

10:15am Sunday School Nursery-Adult

11:15am Christmas Program Rehearsal

6:30pm Troop 108 Meeting

Mon. December 3rd

Family Promise

1:00pm Staff Meeting

Tues. December 4th

Family Promise

9:20am Lydia Circle

Wed. December 5th

Family Promise

2:30pm BLAST Youth Program

6:30pm Advent Series- "Christmas is Not Your Birthday"

Thurs. December 6th

Family Promise

6:00pm Bear Den Meeting

Fri. December 7th

Family Promise

6:30pm Fire and Ice Parade- Come ride the float!

Sat. December 8th

Family Promise

9:00am Mustard Seed

9:30am Christmas Program Practice

Sun. December 9th

2nd Sunday of Advent

Children's Christmas Program

9:00am Christmas Program

10:15am NO Sunday School Nursery-Adult

6:00pm 4H Meeting

Announcements for
December 9th - December 16th

Poinsettia Orders Due: TODAY, *Sunday, December 9th*. We will be placing an order for poinsettias for the church again this year, which you will be able to take home to enjoy after Christmas. Please fill out the enclosed form and return it to the office with a payment clearly marked 'poinsettia' no later than Sunday, December 9th.

Blue Service: Join us on *Thursday, December 13th at 6:30pm*. Not everyone is up and cheery for the Christmas holidays. Dealing with the death of a loved one, facing life after divorce or separation, coping with the loss of a job, living with cancer or some other disease that puts a question mark over the future, and a number of other human situations make parties and joviality painful for many people in our congregations and communities. This service is to be a reflective time, accepting where we really are, and holding onto healing and hope.

Noisy Can Offering: 4th quarter offering will go toward a donation to White Gift. Please note that Noisy Can Offering will be taken on *Sunday, December 16th*.

Reverend Dave Busker: Office hours will be on Mondays from 1-4pm and Wednesdays from 4-7pm. Please welcome him as he joins us for the next 3 months. We are grateful to have services being led by Reverend Dave and occasionally Pastor Irv. Thank you, both, for sharing your time and talents with us!

Denise and Sven are Retiring!
We would like to congratulate Denise and Sven on their retirement as our head custodian and AV guy. You both will be missed and we look forward to celebrating with you soon!



Upcoming Events...

December 2nd - 9th	Family Promise Week
Thursday, December 6th	Drop off baked goods by 10am for UMW Bake Sale
Friday, December 7th	UMW Bake Sale @ Bank of Brodhead
Friday, December 7th	Lighted Christmas Parade on the Square at 7:00pm
Wednesday, December 5th	After-school BLAST
Saturday, December 8th	Sunday School Program Practice at 9:30am
Wednesday, December 12th	Caroling at 5:00pm
Thursday, December 13th	UMW @ Fibs 11:30am Blue Service at 6:30pm
Monday, December 24th	Office Closed Family Service @4pm Candlelight Service @11pm
Tuesday, December 25th	Office Closed



This week we are praying for LaValle Ironton Faith UMC, their pastor, and their church family.

Prayers of health & healing for Dorothy Shimko, David Elmer, Julie Hodgson, Ken & Sandy Meyer, Richard Becker, Dawn Shimko, Pastor Krystal Goodger

Joys: eager volunteers, fresh ideas, traditions, joy

Let's Go Caroling!

We will meet in Fellowship Hall at 4:45pm on Wednesday, December 12th. We encourage all singers with a joyful heart to join us in spreading cheer in the local nursing homes!



Blue Christmas Service
Thursday, December 13th
6:30pm

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Help Wanted

UMW is asking for donations of cookies, holiday breads, and candy to be brought to the church kitchen by 10:00am on Thursday, **December 6th** for their bake sale on Friday, **December 7th** at the Bank of Brodhead.



Families Wanted! We will have a float for the first time in the Fire and Ice Festival Parade on Friday, December 7th at 7:00pm-**line up is at 6:30pm**. We are looking for families who would like to walk with the float and hand out candy canes. If you are interested, please contact Tiffany Moore or Robin Marsden.