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Greetings in the name of Christ!

As we enter this sacred season of Advent, I am filled with joy and gratitude for the promises of God that echo through the ages and continue to resonate in our hearts today. The Word of God, as powerfully expressed in Psalm 119, reminds us of the enduring nature of God's promises and the hope we find in His steadfast love.



Psalm 119:105 declares, **"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."** In the midst of the darkness that may surround us, God's Word shines brightly, guiding us and illuminating the way forward. This Advent season, let us allow the light of God's promises to dispel any shadows of doubt or fear that may try to linger in our hearts.

The Christmas story itself is a testament to the fulfillment of God's promises. The birth of Jesus, the long-awaited Messiah, embodies the assurance that God keeps His word. The prophet Isaiah proclaimed, **"Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel"** (Isaiah 7:14). Immanuel, meaning "God with us," signifies the fulfillment of God's promise to be present with His people.

As we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savior, let us also extend the spirit of hope and joy to those around us. In a world that often seems chaotic, the message of Christmas reminds us to share the love and grace of Christ with others. Through acts of kindness, generosity, and compassion, we become vessels of God's promises in the lives of those we encounter.

As we journey through Advent and approach the celebration of Christ's birth, may the promises of God in His Word be a source of comfort, joy, and inspiration for each one of us. Let us embrace the season with open hearts, knowing that the greatest promise of all is fulfilled in the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Wishing you a blessed Advent and a joyous Christmas filled with the peace that comes from the promises of our faithful God.

Peace, *Pastor Maria*

TO LOVE YOU MORE...

It is the job of the pastor, leaders, and whole congregation to care for the body of the church. We are called to love as Jesus loved. The church doesn't always know when you are hurt, having surgery, going through a tough time, or in the hospital. **If you would like Pastor Maria to visit you or a family member**, please call the church office or her cell directly at (253) 886-6015 to set up a time!



Upcoming Events



Pastor Maria leads worship for community residents. You are welcome to join and spend time sharing God's love. December's dates are below.

Dec. 5 at 10:00 a.m. at Lafayette Manor

Dec. 21 at 10:00 a.m. at Shullsburg Home

Dec. 21 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Dominic Villa



Monthly Accountable
Leadership Board Meeting

Tuesday, December 19
6:00 p.m.



2023 Advent & Christmas Schedule

Advent candle lighters & readers:

Dec. 3 The first Sunday in Advent: (Hope) Matt & Kasha Cook Family

Dec. 10 The first Sunday in Advent: (Peace) _____

Dec. 17 The first Sunday in Advent: (Joy) _____

Dec. 24 The first Sunday in Advent: (Love) _____

Dec. 24 7:00 Christmas Evening Service: Candle lighting, 5 scripture readings with Confirmation Class youth special carol singing (directed by Robin Cockrell) Lee Gill & Lindsay Poppy Family

If you or your family or friends feel called to be part of it, please, let our worship coordinators, Sharon Teutschmann or Julie Gill know. Our goal is to reach out for church family members who have never done this.

Blended Worship Service - Dec. 24 - 10:30 a.m.

Centenary Christmas Eve Service - Dec. 24 - 7:00 p.m.

Hazel Green Christmas Eve Service - Dec. 24 - 11:00 p.m.





Christmas Blessings



Centenary is once again sponsoring some families who could use a little extra help this Christmas.

If you selected gifts to buy, **please wrap and return them BY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15.** You can either **bring them to church during office hours OR drop them off at Becky Mootz's house** (215 S. Iowa St. — there is a deck box by the front door). Thank you!!



FOOD PANTRY

Show your support for our beloved Food Pantry ministry during the Christmas season! You and your family can be part of a Christmas miracle and blessing by doing any of the following:

- 1.) Making a secondary offering to the Food Pantry. Their financial resources are much lower than in years past, so every dollar you give will help put food in the hands and stomachs of many individuals and families that are in need this Christmas. Simply write out a check with "Food Pantry" in the memo, or place cash in a giving envelope and mark it "Food Pantry."
- 2.) Participating in our "Fill the Sills" drive where we make Christmas offerings to Christ throughout the weeks of Advent, filling—and our goal is to absolutely fill—the window sills in the sanctuary with nonperishable and canned goods and paper products to help increase the inventory of the Food Pantry. Food can be left outside the upper doors during office hours.
- 3.) Bringing soup and crackers, canned tuna, toilet paper, dish soap or Kleenex into the church prior to December 14 as part of the Christmas collection here at Centenary.

Be a blessing and part of the miracle and hope of Christmas through your support of the Food Pantry!

Tina Cruse, Food Pantry Leader



Every Sunday Morning
from 10:30 a.m. - End of Service

Class will be open every Sunday from 10:30 a.m. until end of service.

All children (toddler – 5th grade) are welcome! We will be working on the curriculum from Celebrate Wonders.

We are looking for anyone who would like to help teach or be a helper. If you are interested, please contact the teacher Pam Harker.



Youth Group

Calling all youth grades 6-12! Centenary's Youth group has been invited to join Benton's youth group on December 10 from 6 - 7:30 p.m. They will be having a meal and they will be making gingerbread houses. If any youth are interested in going and would like a ride, please call Danica at 920-210-7799.



Youth Group Leaders,

Amy Mullikin, Jamie Roberts, & Danica Diedrich



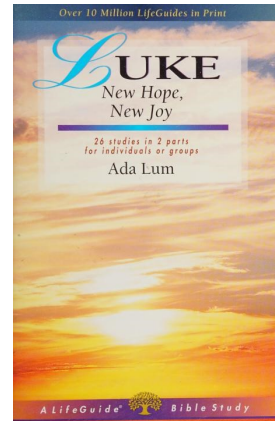
Every Wednesday night
from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

These take place every Wednesday and include programs for Sunday School kids, the youth group, and an adult book study. One of the great things about it is we begin with a shared meal time. People of all ages, from children to seniors, are welcome to participate and grow in faith and love. Any questions or volunteering, please contact program director Danica Diedrich.

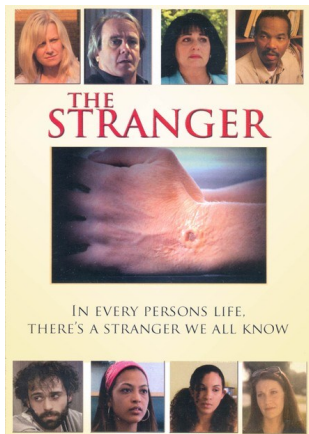


Wednesday Morning Bible Study with Pastor Maria

(Gospel of Luke) supplementary material:
Luke—New Hope, New Joy (by Ada Lum)
9:30 a.m. @ Second Chance Coffee Shop



This will guide you through Luke in a way that will help you discover, explore, experience, and share the heart of God more deeply.



Wednesday Evening Adult Book Study

6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

In the Serenity Room

You never know who you might meet in
your everyday life.

Infant Baptism

Adult baptisms are typically part of becoming a member of the church. At Centenary UMC, we also celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism for infants and children. When an infant or child is baptized, the congregation commits itself to nurturing the child in faith. In turn the parents or guardians of the child declare their promise to be an active part of the church community.

A baptism application must be submitted five to six weeks prior to the Sunday your child will be baptized, and the parent(s) must attend a Baptism Commitment Class (one time). An application is available at the church office. For more details or questions, please, contact Pastor Maria.





Confirmation Class

Confirmation Class Schedule for 2023-2024

December 10 & December 20
January 10 & January 21
February 11 & February 21
March 27 & March 31— Confirmation Sunday

***On Sundays, our class will consist of worship in the first half, followed by a session with Pastor Maria in the second half. On Wednesdays, our class will begin with the Wednesday Fun Night program in the first half, followed by a session with Pastor Maria in the second half.**

Confirmation Class

Confirmation Class with faith witnesses: Confirmation Class has been going well. Our confirmation youth played a vital role in our worship services. They have been serving as greeters, candle lighters, and helpers during the announcement time on the Sundays they are gathered. Please, give them your warm encouragement and support while they are exploring their faith and Christian living including worship. Special thanks to Robin Cockrell and Pam Harker who shared their faith journey stories in Christ with our confirmands. They were wonderful! Anyone who feels called to share your own story in Christ, please, let Pastor Maria know.



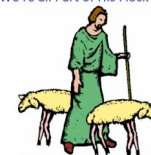
Youth Representatives of ALB

Allie Walker (11th grade) & Liam McGovern (10th grade) will serve as the Youth Representatives of Centenary UMC (their term is for two years) on the ALB. As United Methodists, we believe that the youth are an essential part of the congregation and the future leaders of the church. CUMC is committed to empowering young people as world-changing disciples of Jesus Christ, nurturing their faith development, and equipping young leaders.

Meetings and News

Retired & Re-Fired Small Group

We're all Part of His Flock



Happy December to you all!

There is good news; 3 used sewing machines have been donated for the missions! They will be taken to a collection site soon. Thank you to the friends and families that donated! Our prayer is that these machines will be a blessing to those that receive them.

At our November meeting we shared lunch and watched the second episode of The Chosen in the Serenity Room. This episode is named "Shabbat" (Sabbath) and it is a holy day to honor God by resting from our labors and focusing on God's creations. This is the fourth of the Ten Commandments given to Moses by God and probably the one most often violated or ignored. We also met two more disciples that Jesus has called, James (son of Alphaeus) and Thaddeus. We had a good discussion afterward!

Our next meeting will be on Monday, December 11 at noon upstairs in the Serenity Room. Please bring your own lunch. Coffee, tea and dessert will be provided. This is a working meeting, so we'll be signing Christmas cards and filling gift bags.

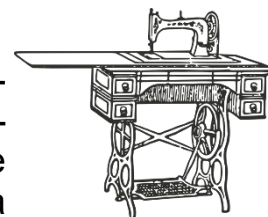
May God bless you and guide you until we meet again!

Mary Gensler, Retired & Re-Fired Small Group Leader

Sewing Machines Wanted

Do you have a functioning electric or treadle sewing machine that you don't use and don't want anymore? Would you like to empower men and/or women to be able to make a living for themselves? Midwest Mission has a place for it.

The Retired and Re-Fired Group is collecting usable electric and treadle sewing machines to be donated to Midwest Mission, who will distribute the machines to nonprofits in developing countries or in the United States, teaching men and women how to sew so it can be a means for making a living. Midwest Mission works with UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) as a relief supply network.



If you have a sewing machine that you would like to donate, or if you have questions, please call the church office (965-3455) or Lois Finnigan (965-3036).

If you would like more information about Midwest Mission, visit midwestmission.org.

Fellowship Group News

We have had a busy November! We hosted the Annual Thanksgiving Potluck Meal on Thursday, November 16, making food ahead for our food pantry families then serving our church families at 6:00. Big shout out and thank you to Deb Unbehaun & Mary Gensler for cooking; Penny Tregloan, Sharon Teutschmann, Kim Brown, Charles Searles, Mary Ubersox, Lois Finnigan, and Art Finnigan for serving up meals and getting things ready. Also thank you to everyone who donated all the food and brought a dish to pass! It was a wonderful night of Thanksgiving fellowship and so very delicious!



On Tuesday, November 21 we did a new fundraiser and offered to make Thanksgiving pies. We started at 9:00 a.m. and made a total of 49 apple, pumpkin and pecan pies! Thank you to Theresa Gratz who donated the apples and pecans. Thanks to all of the bakers Theresa Gratz, Deb Unbehaun, Mary Gensler, Penny Tregloan, Sharon Teutschmann, Lee Gill, and Pam Harker.

We would not be able to do all of these activities without everyone's help bringing food and volunteering for all of our events. We have had a busy year and are blessed with wonderful members.

We all wish you a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and remember what the reason for the season is!

God Bless Pam Harker, Fellowship Chair



Worship service is recorded every Sunday and posted on the church **Facebook page**. The Tech Team is in charge of recording & posting, if you would like to be part of the team, please let Team Leader Jeremiah Diedrich know. In addition to posting on Facebook we will now be posting the weekly worship on our **Website** as well. It will be posted by Monday afternoon.

WORSHIP

Parish Ministry

Pastor Maria's regular office hours during the weekdays are from Tuesday to Thursday. We kindly request your attention to the fact that Hazel Green UMC is also an integral part of her ministry, and she always sets aside a certain amount of her time to engage with Hazel Green congregation for visitation, small group gatherings, Bible study, and more. Please feel free to inform her of your visit to coordinate a suitable time. While Tuesday mornings or Thursday afternoons would be the most convenient for her given her commute (schedule & route), she is open to any time that suits your needs.

Ways to Help Children Grow in Generosity at Christmas Time.

During Advent, give your child a "charitable certificate" for a certain amount per day (\$1.00/day = \$25, \$2.00/day = \$50), or whatever sum feels right, and ask them to decide by Christmas to give it to a good cause. Then give it in their names. You get the deduction, but they get the thank-you note. It could help them to see how fortunate they are – and spark in them the joy of giving.

Happy Birthday, Jesus!

As we wait for Jesus' birthday this year, my/our Christmas gift to you includes a gift of \$_____ per day from December 1-25, for a total of \$_____.

And you get to decide who this gift will help!

Please decide by Christmas what good cause you want to give this gift to. We can talk about it together if you want. It is up to you how you will help others know the love of Jesus through this gift.



Merry Christmas, with Love

FROM:

TO:

CHARGE CONFERENCE 2023
FOR
CENTENARY UMC & HAZEL GREEN UMC
"Come As You Are, No Judgment, Only Grace."
October 29, 2023



MINUTES

ELECTION OF SECRETARY FOR CHARGE CONFERENCE – Motion made by Jamie Roberts second by Lois Finnigan to appoint Becky Upmann as secretary. All in favor. Motion approved.

OPENING WORSHIP/PRAYER -Rev Stein did an opening prayer.

READING OF THE MISSION STATEMENTS- Each church read their mission statement.

MESSAGE FROM BISHOP JUNG: - watched the video and had discussion.

MINISTRY REVIEW JOYS, CHALLENGES, DREAMS AND VISION FOR THE FUTURE

Safe Sanctuaries Policy- Shullsburg has one, Hazel Green is working on one.

Updated Info for Boys Scouts- Rev Stein went over what happened.

Ministry Highlights, Celebration and Reflection-

Shullsburg: Food Pantry, Christmas Blessings, Thanksgiving dinner, Christmas Dinner, Confirmation Class, Book/Bible Studies just to name a few.

Hazel Green: Choir, Christmas Program for the kids, Pasty Suppers, helping with Food Pantry just to name a few.

ACTIONS THAT REQUIRE A VOTE

- Lay Leadership Report (Church officers for 2024)- Approved by consensus
- Approval of Pastoral Compensation for 2024 including resolutions- Approved by consensus
- Care and Removal of Names- Approved by Consensus. 2nd time letters will be mailed out for Shullsburg
- Approval of Lay Servants- 2 from Shullsburg and 0 from Hazel Green were approved.
- Approval of 2024 Budget is NOT required but may be considered if ready- Approved by consensus for both churches.

REPORTS THAT DO NOT REQUIRE A VOTE BUT SUBMISSION REQUIRED – went over all the reports, everyone was ok with them.

- Membership Audit
- Finance Committee Report
- Trustee Report & Parsonage Checklist/Worksheet
- Finance Audit
- Continuing Education Report for Clergy
- Review of Local Church Life and Ministry.

BENEDICTION AND ADJOURNMENT- Motion made by Pam Harker, second by Lois Finnigan. All in favor. Adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Present: Elder, Rev. Amanda Stein, D.S., Pastor Maria Kim, Shullsburg: Art Finnigan, Danica Diedrich, Mary Gensler, Pam Harker, Sharon Teutschmann, Jamie Roberts, Becky Upmann, Hazel Green: Joyce Woods, Sonja Burkholder, Glenda Pierce, Irene Hillary.

Why December 25th?

Did you ever wonder why we celebrate Christmas on December 25th? Jesus didn't have a birth certificate, so how do we know when Jesus was really born? Because the Bible offers no date for Jesus' birth, the placement of the nativity is up for debate. But there are three explanations that land us on December 25th.

First, the Christian historian Sextus Julius Africanus had identified the 25th as Christ's nativity in the 3rd century. Chronographers reckoned that the world was created on the spring equinox and four days later, on March 25th, light was created. Since the existence of Jesus signaled a beginning of a new era, or new creation, the Biblical chronographers assumed Jesus' conception would have also fallen on March 25th, placing his birth in December, nine months later.

The second theory proposes that early Christians were convinced that Jesus must have lived upon earth for an exact number of years. Therefore, the date on which he died would also have been the same as the date of his conception. Because they believed that he was crucified on March 25 (and therefore conceived on March 25), his birth would have been placed nine months later, on December 25th.

The final theory concludes that December 25th was chosen at Rome because it was also the date of the winter solstice in the Julian calendar and a popular pagan feast celebrating the birthday of the invincible Sun. The pagan feast was established by Emperor Aurelian in 274 A.D. After Emperor Constantine converted to Christianity, he wanted to draw people away from these pagan festivities and point to Christ as the true Sun of Righteousness, and so instituted at Rome the feast of the Nativity on the same date.

So, you can take your pick as to which theory you believe has us celebrating Christmas on December 25th. No matter what option you choose—or even if you believe we have the date all wrong — Christmas is a reminder that God has come near and that the world and our lives will never be the same.

Rev. Jason Mahnke, Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation



Our intercessory prayer group is going well! Intercessory prayer is powerful!!! It's simple to join, just send your email address to Pam Teasdale at pamteas@yousq.net!

When we pray, God listens and works for us! The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth (Psalms 145:18).

As children of God, we are connected through our prayers for each other in Christ. Feel free to submit as many prayer requests as you like!

Going Above and Beyond as Stewards of CUMC



Food Pantry Giving

We collected 10 items for November! For the month of December we are collecting **soup and crackers or tuna in a can. We are also in need of toilet paper, Kleenex, and dish soap.** Distribution will be on Thursday, December 21.



December Missional Giving

Mission money collected this month will go to the Warm Hearts Fund here at CUMC. This fund is used to help out people who are in need and come to Pastor Maria for help. If you would like to give to a different ministry, just write it on your envelope, but if you don't, it will go to this month's cause.

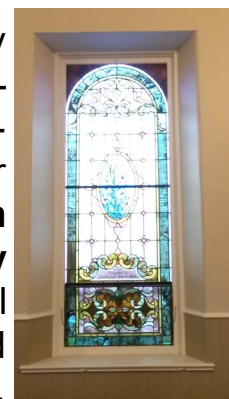


Join us on Sunday mornings before Worship for Coffee and Fellowship. Coffee, tea, and milk along with a light snack will be served from 10:00-10:30 a.m. every Sunday.

If you feel called to sign up for a Sunday, please see the sign-up sheet on the back table or contact the team leader Mary Gensler.

Fill the Sills for Jesus!

Again this year Centenary UMC is attempting to fill all the sanctuary window sills during the Advent and Christmas season with non-perishable food gifts to offer to Jesus on His birthday! The beloved ministry of CUMC Food Pantry will distribute them to those in need in our community. **Please start bringing food products to church (you can leave outside the upstairs doors on office days Monday-Thursday or call ahead and we will come out and get it from you)** and let's fill the sills again this year to provide food for our brothers and sisters and God's beloved children! We will be collecting donations until Wednesday, December 20.



From Our Parish Nurse.....

Winter Safety Reminders!

As we go into our winter months, please be sure to remember to be safe out there!

- Learn safety precautions to follow when outdoors.
- Work slowly when doing outside chores.
- When it's best to ask for help → some of the people most at risk of a heart attack due to snow shoveling include; those who have had a previous heart attack or stroke and those with a chronic heart condition like congestive heart failure or atrial fibrillation.
- The cold, dry air can irritate airways, especially for people with asthma, COPD or bronchitis. Keep your rescue inhalers with you. It also helps to cover your mouth and nose with your scarf or a mask. Doing so helps warm the cold air as you inhale, which lowers your risk of irritating your airway.
- Take a buddy and an emergency kit when you are participating in outdoor recreation.
- Carry a cell phone.
- Dress in layers when outside. Wear a tightly woven, preferably wind-resistant coat or jacket; inner layers of light, warm clothing; mittens; hats; scarves; and waterproof boots.
- If you do not have smoke detectors in your home, install one inside each bedroom, outside each sleeping area, and on every level of the home, including the basement. Test batteries monthly and replace them twice a year.
- Prevent carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning emergencies:
 - Install a battery-operated or battery backup CO detector to alert you of the presence of the deadly, odorless, colorless gas. Check or change the battery when you change your clocks in the fall and spring.
- Learn the symptoms of CO poisoning: headache, dizziness, weakness, upset stomach, vomiting, chest pain, and confusion.
- If you suspect CO in your home, get outside and call 911 for help. Do not stay inside.
- Keep your vehicle gas tank full to avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines.
- Use a wintertime formula in your vehicle's windshield washer.
- Prepare a winter emergency kit to keep in your vehicle in case you become stranded. The kit should include:
 - Cell phone and portable charger.
 - Items to stay warm, such as extra hats, coats, mittens, blankets, or sleeping bags.
 - Matches and a large candle (can help heat up small spaces like inside a car if stranded).



- Food and water.
- Booster cables, flares, tire pump, and a bag of sand or cat litter (for traction).
- Compass and maps.
- Flashlight, battery-powered radio, and extra batteries.
- First-aid kit; and
- Plastic bags (for sanitation).
- Be ready to check on family and neighbors who are especially at risk from cold weather hazards: young children, older adults, and the chronically ill.
- If you have pets, bring them inside. If you cannot bring them inside, provide adequate, warm shelter so they are out of the wind and keep their water unfrozen.



References:

Centers for Disease Control: <https://www.cdc.gov/>

Allergy & Asthma Network:

<https://allergyasthmanetwork.org/>

This page is provided by our Parish Nurse for Centenary UMC:

Marlene Burgos-Stewart,
MSN, RN, WCC, PN 608-293-1193

Please feel free to call her with any health questions you might have.

All the Ways to Give to Your Church

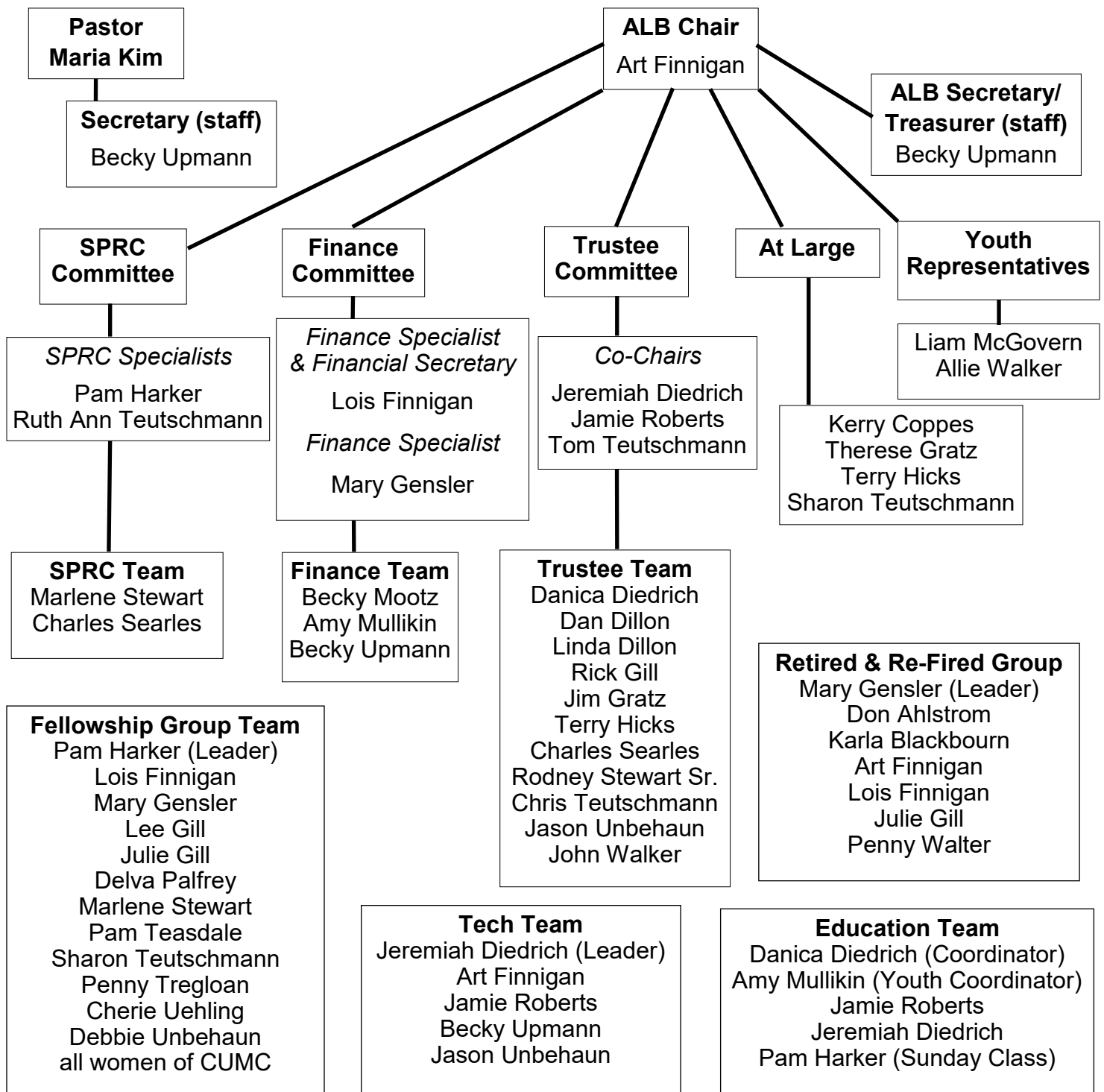
Ways to give to the church include In-Person, Mailed, Electronic, and now Online and Mobile. Recurring giving provides much-needed donation consistency for our church. As you contemplate future contributions, please consider one of these as your way to give. Authorization forms and additional information are available from the church office.

To give online, visit <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZCNY>

To give via Mobile app, find the Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app in the Apple store or Google Play; use our church code QFHQQW.



Centenary UMC ALB Table of Organization 2024



Our Mission Statement

Sharing God's love to change the world by making disciples of Jesus Christ.

Centenary UMC ALB Table of Organization 2024 Cont.

Tina Cruse (Leader)
Art Finnigan (Adult)
Lois Finnigan
Terry Hicks
Penny Tregloan
Julie Gill
Mary Owen
Delva Palfrey
Lynn Ranum

(Team can vary each year)

Mary Gensler (Leader)
Therese Gratz
Dan Dillon
Dennis Blum
Linda Dillon
Lee Gill (Silent)

Mary Gensler (Leader)
 Jamie Roberts
 Linda Dillon
 Therese Gratz
 Penny Tregloan
 Lee Gill
 Rod & Marlene Stewart
 Lois Finnigan
 Rod & Marlene Stewart
(Team can vary each year)

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Art Finnigan (Adult)
Danica Diedrich (Children)
Amy Mullikin (Youth)
Jeremiah Diedrich (Children)
Jamie Roberts (Youth)
Terry Hicks
Ruth Cherrey
Charlie Searles
Kim Brown

(Team can vary each year)

Pam Teasdale (Leader)
Kerry Coppes
Linda Dillon
Lois Finnigan
Mary Gensler
Therese Gratz
Amy Mullikin
Marlene Stewart
Sharon Teutschmann
Cherie Uehling
Sandy Russell
Becky Upmann
Ruth Cherry
Charles Russell
Allen Kraus
Charla Walker

(Team can vary each year)

Becky Upmann (Leader)
Penny Tregloan
Danica Diedrich
Art Finnigan
Kim Brown
Charlie Searles
Therese Gratz
Mary Gensler
Debbie Unbehaun

(Team can vary each year)

Lois Finnigan (Leader)
Becky Upmann
Mary Gensler
Sharon Teutschmann
Penny Tregloan
Lee Gill
Pam Harker
Kerry Coppes
Pam Teasdale (Alternate)

Becky Upmann (Leader)
Danica Diedrich
Linda Dillon
Lee Gill
Mary Gensler
(Team can vary each year)

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Penny Tregloan
Sharon Teutschmann
Worship Coordinators
Sharon Teutschmann
Julie Gill

Tina Cruse

Rodney Stewart (Co-Leader)
Jeremiah Diedrich (Co-Leader)
Art Finnigan
Lois Finnigan
Mary Gensler
Lee Gill
Robin Cockrell

Robin Cockrell

VOLUNTEERS
don't necessarily
have the time;
they just have
the heart!

Marlene Stewart

Lee Gill

Sharon Teutschmann





1 Karen Grace	15 Ella Woodworth
5 Ruth Cherrey	15 Pam Wymore
8 Chad Teasdale	19 Wayne Gehrt
9 Brett Bode	23 Rick Gill
9 Pete Poppy	25 Jesus Christ
9 Lyla Olson	25 Gayle Stoycheff
14 Debbie Unbehaun	28 Lee Gill
15 Allie Gierke	30 Bev Monahan



10 Bruce & Sandy Russell
22 Rick & Lee Gill



Scripture Readers

Opening Prayer Readers

**CHILDREN FOR OFFERING
HELPERS**

Your participation will make our
worship more lively and active!

If you feel called to help with any of these,
please contact our Worship Coordinators
Sharon Teutschmann at 732-7232 or
Julie Gill at 482-0494.



December Lectionary

December 3

1st Sunday in Advent

Isaiah 64:1-9

Psalms 80:1-7, 17-19

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Mark 13:24-37

December 10

2nd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 40:1-11

Psalms 85:1-2, 8-13

2 Peter 3:8-15a

Mark 1:1-8

December 17

3rd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

Psalms 126

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

John 1:6-8, 19-28

December 24

Xmas Eve

Isaiah 9:2-7

Psalms 96

Titus 2:11-14

Luke 2:1-14 (15-20)

December 25

Christmas Day

Isaiah 52:7-10

Psalms 98

Hebrews 1:1-4 (5-12)

John 1:1-14

December 31

26th Sunday After Pentecost

Isaiah 61:10-62:3

Psalms 148

Galatians 4:4-7

Luke 2:22-40




December



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Communion 10:30 Blended Worship 10:30 Sunday Class for kids	4	5 10:00 Community Worship @ Lafayette Manor	6 9:30 Bible Study @ 2nd Chance w/Pastor Maria 6:00-7:00 Wednesday Fun Night 6:00-7:00 Book Study w/Art	7	8	9
10 10:30 Blended Worship 10:30 Sunday Class for kids 10:30 Confirmation Class	11 Noon Retired & Retired	12	13 9:30 Bible Study @ 2nd Chance w/Pastor Maria 6:00-7:00 Wednesday Fun Night 6:00-7:00 Book Study w/Art	14	15	16
17 Band Playing 10:30 Blended Worship 10:30 Sunday Class for kids	18	19 6:00 ALB mtg.	20 9:30 Bible Study @ 2nd Chance w/Pastor Maria 6:00-7:00 Wednesday Fun Night 6:00-7:00 Book Study w/Art 7:00 Confirmation Class	21 10:00 Community Worship @ Shullsburg Home 2:00 Community Worship @ St Dominic Villa 3:30 Food Pantry	22	23
24 10:30 Blended Worship 7:00 Xmas Eve Service @ Shullsburg 11:00 Xmas Eve Service @ Hazel Green	25 	26	27 No Wednesday Activities	28	29	30
31 10:30 Blended Worship						





The Chimes

*Join us for Sunday
Morning Blended
worship*

*10:30 In-Person &
Recorded Service on
Facebook each
Sunday*

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226 West Church Street
P.O. Box 127
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Address Service Requested



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Centenary - 7:00 p.m.
Hazel Green - 11:00 p.m.



Our Vision Statement

"Sharing God's love to change the world by making disciples of Jesus"

2023 Vision of CUMC: "Be a welcoming community for all, worshipping together at God's house"

(To have more than 50 at each service)