

Canfield UMC Friendly Visitor

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Pastor's Ponderings – A Thankful Gift

Thanksgiving Day will soon be here, and we will find ourselves gathered with family and friends to have a Thanksgiving meal with all the trimmings. We will have plenty of turkey, mashed potatoes, dressing, coleslaw, pumpkin pie, and a host of other desserts and foods. There will be time to have fellowship and to watch football with people close to us. Hopefully amongst the food, football, fellowship and naps we would take time as Christians to give thanks to the Heavenly Father for the blessings we have in him through the grace and love of Jesus Christ his Son.

In the month of November take time to reflect on all the blessings and gifts of life that God the Father brings to us through Christ the Son and the Holy Spirit. Spend the whole month of November being thankful for all that God has created and given to us in this life and the eternal life to come. Moving through November with thankful hearts helps us to prepare a place for the coming birth of God's Son Jesus Christ during the Advent Season in December. Remember in the months of November and December to be thankful for the gift of Jesus Christ coming in the flesh to be with us and the world to share the gift of God's grace and love. Ponder and think about how you can support the gifts of God's Ministries in the Canfield United Methodist Church through giving of your time and financial gifts to support ministries that reach people with the gift of Jesus Christ grace and love.

In this season of thanksgiving and the upcoming season of Advent and the birth of the Messiah Jesus Christ reflect on this passage in 2 Corinthians 9:6-10 NIV:

⁶ Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. ⁷ Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

During the Advent Season in December, I will be preaching on Mike Slaughter's book, Christmas is Not Your Birthday. The church will be sending out pledge cards at the end of November for the 2024 Year of Ministries. During the Advent Season in December pray over the cards at home and examine what God puts on your heart to give financially to support ministries in the new year of 2024. On January 14th we will collect the prayer cards at church and pray over them. One area you may want to consider giving to is the audio-visual technologies of the church by earmarking part of your giving to help cover those costs going forward.

Moving into this new year we need people to give of their time to help with children's ministries, youth, and adult ministries. The church needs people to help with the audio-visual technologies of the church as we do worship. There will be lots of ways for people to serve and connect in ministries next year as we look to encourage new people to be part of the church.

God calls us to give out of what he has put on our hearts, and we are responding to the gift of Jesus Christ grace and love that we have received from God. God calls us to share the Good News of Jesus Christ through the ministries and missions of the church. Let us pray together as a church that we would be thankful in our giving and support of ministries that reach new disciples for God's Kingdom.

JOIN US!

Worship 9:00AM

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Our Lives
BE FILLED WITH
BOTH
Thanks
AND
Giving



United
Methodist
Women

UMW will host Pastor Paul on Wednesday, November 1st at noon in the Fellowship Hall. His message will be: "Bike, Hope, Love".
On Wednesday December 6th, UMW will meet at the church at 11:45 a.m. to carpool to Fellows Riverside Gardens. Lunch will be at 12:30 p.m. in their café which will be followed by a tour of the Holiday Decorated Trees. RSVP to Bonnie Tieche by Sunday December 3rd at 330-533-3686.



Join us for a farewell party for Pastor George and Trudie! They are moving back home to Mansfield after 30 years of faithful ministry to the Valley. What would be more fitting than a covered dish potluck to send them off?

Sunday, November 5th 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Argus Lodge, Canfield

Just bring a covered dish!

Sign up with your choice of salads, apps, mains, or desserts.

Beverages and setups provided.

Please email your RSVP and choice (and any questions) to

dnbchristensen@gmail.com.

"We ARE Easter People!"

Please join us for a farewell send off for Pastor George and Trudie Lee. After many years of service and friendship to CUMC, the Lees will embark on the next stage and a new adventure in Mansfield.

Pastor George will celebrate his final service here at CUMC on November 12th.

Following service, we will have pastries, coffee and punch as we share fond memories and enjoy a time of fellowship with them before they go.

Please spread the word!



CUMC Book Club will meet Thursday, November 16, 2023 in the parlor at 4:30 p.m. We are very excited to have a local Canfield author as our guest and hope to have a wonderful

turnout for the event. Rosemary Kubli will be discussing her book [Gullible](#) with us. Please plan to attend and bring a guest!

We will have no meeting in December, but will resume again on Thursday, January 18, 2024 and we will be reading and discussing the book [Miss Benson's Beetle](#) by Rachel Joyce. We would love to have any members of Poland UMC to join our group! Hoping to see all of you on November 16!

Canfield UMC Youth Group

November 5	9 am	Youth Service
November 12	6-8 pm	Youth Group
November 19	10 am-12 (after service)	Youth Group
December 3	6-8 pm	Youth Group
December 10	After Service	Auction
December 17	Evening (TBA)	Christmas Party @ Brookfield

60 YEARS

We are eagerly searching for past teachers and administrators from our preschool. Please, if you have been a part of our wonderful program in the past, or you know someone who has, reach out to us at:

PRESCHOOL@CANFIELDUMC.ORG.

We just want to honor you as part of our 60th Anniversary Celebration!



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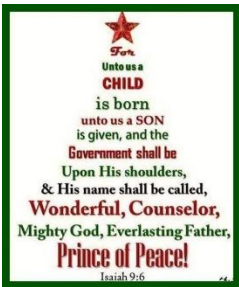
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November Meetings

Finance	November 13 th	6 pm
Trustees	November 13 th	7 pm

The annual Hanging of the Greens – November 26th

Advent will be here before we know it and we will be decorating the church following the service on Sunday, November 26th. Please join us for cookies, cocoa and decorating while we enjoy some Christmas music and fellowship. We look forward to decking the halls with all of you!



Christmas Eve

CUMC's Christmas Eve service will be at 4:00 P.M. on December 24th. Pastor Paul will also celebrate a Christmas Eve service at Poland UMC as well for those looking for an alternate time. All parishioners are welcome to attend either service/location.

Annual CUMC Youth Basket Auction

Proceeds help CUMC Youth to attend mission trips

Sunday, December 10th after 9:00 a.m. service

If you are interested in contributing a basket, an item, or a service to be auctioned, please contact Liz Orlando at youth@canfieldumc.org.

Church Committees for 2024

Pastor Paul Turner is requesting that people on church committees and in church leadership roles stay in their positions for another year as we move forward. Church committee members, church leaders, and the congregation as a whole will continue to explore the Simplified Accountability Structure (S.A.S.) moving forward into this new year and figure out if the church as a whole would like to implement S.A.S. at Canfield UMC.

Stay tuned for more announcements about S.A.S. information and training events.

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to give without
loving,
but it is
impossible to
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giving.

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