### **Canfield UMC Friendly Visitor**

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#### **Pastors Ponderings**

#### Now That's Refreshing

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This whole month of November I will be preaching a sermon series entitled, "Say Thank You to God". You will be receiving a pledge card to pray over this month and to discern how much financial money you want to give to the ministries of the Canfield United Methodist Church. During this month, I encourage you and your loved ones to reflect upon the blessings God has given you and to pledge a financial gift to support ministries this next year that help to share the love and grace with the world. Be in prayer with God the Father and give him thanks for all the blessings you have received from him. Take the whole month of November and give thanks and praise to God for the grace and love you receive through Jesus Christ his Son. Read this passage from Proverbs 11: <sup>24</sup> One person gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. <sup>25</sup> A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.

I pray that you would be called by God to give freely and to be generous in bringing Christ refreshing blessings to other people and that you would be refreshed. Take time this month to fill out a pledge card and decide how much financially you can give to the church to support God's ministry of sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ with all the people of the world. The Canfield church trustees, and our tech coordinator Jason Henry have put together a plan to update the audio-visual online tech equipment. Overall, the cost of the new technology will be \$60,000 and the trustees have given the whole amount covered by the capital church investments. Church leadership is asking the congregation to pledge \$30,000 to put back into capital investments. There will be a special giving pledge mailed just to support the new worship technologies that minister to people online and the people in person. During the first couple of weeks of November, our new technologies will be installed, which may affect our November 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> worship and livestream services.

You can mail the pledge cards to the church or bring them in person and on the final Sunday of November 24 we will be praying over the pledge cards in the church worship service. As your pastor, I thank you for the financial support and time given to ministries of the Canfield U.M.C. and I look forward to the ministries we will be doing with God the Father in this next year, and I pray that the love and grace of Jesus Christ would call us to give generously. Remember that Jesus Christ's grace and love is generous in our lives, and he calls us to generously support ministries that help build his Kingdom and that bring a refreshing spirit on life now and for eternity.

JOIN US!	Worship 9:00AM	THANKSGIVING
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#### HANGING OF THE GREENS

Once again, we invite everyone, young and old, to take part in the Hanging of the Greens on Sunday, November 24th immediately following worship service. We will enjoy fellowship with seasonal music, cookies and cocoa while we deck the halls in preparation for the first Sunday of Advent, December 1st. Bring the whole family and ring in the Christmas season with us. We look forward to seeing you there.

For those of you already making your holiday plans, CUMC will celebrate Christmas Eve service at 4:00 PM on December 24th with Poland UMC having service at 7:00 PM.

#### AUDIO/VISUAL SYSTEM OVERHAUL

Significant and extensive updates/upgrades to our A/V system will begin on November 4th and continue until Thanksgiving. During this time, we may have limited A/V and will go "old school" using hymnals and minimal technology until that work is completed. Please direct any questions regarding the upcoming changes to Jason Henry.

Money for chickens desperately needed! 90 pots to fill Please fill an envelope and put in the chicken pot on the sanctuary table.

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Hear Ye, Hear Ye.... The gauntlet has been thrown down!!

It's Western Reserve Methodist Church vs Canfield Methodist Church



We are in a NECK and NECK competition to fund a chicken for every pot for Canfield Operation Blessings' Thanksgiving Meal in a Bag food drive! We want to win the trophy. Please help...90 chickens needed, no questions asked.

Who will win???



Our upcoming Book Club meeting be held Thursday, November 21, 2024 in the church parlor at 4:30 p.m. We will be reading and discussing <u>The Christmas Box</u> by

Richard Paul Evans. Our December meeting will be on Thursday, December 19, 2024 again at 4:30 p.m. in the parlor. Our holiday selection for that date will <u>The Santa Claus Girl</u> by Patricia Goodin. Come join us as we get in the mood for the holiday season by reading these great short books! Hope to see a large crowd!!

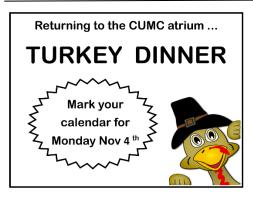


We want to win!!!



On Wednesday, November 6 at 7 p.m., Pastor Don will be presenting a slide show of his beautiful photography. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome!

UMW will be taking a tour of Christmas at the Arms Museum on Wednesday, December 4th at 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$9.00. We will carpool from the church, stopping at the Mocha House for brunch at 11:30 a.m. downtown. The address is 120 Boardman Street. We will meet at the church parking lot at 11 a.m. <u>Reservations are needed by November 13</u>. Please call Lois Swartz 330-502-3702 to reserve your spot.



Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

The Turkey Dinner Team, under the guidance of David Bennett, would like to thank everyone who helped out with our Annual Turkey Dinner. Whether you helped make Methodist Cole Slaw, provided a pie, helped serve, or came and ate, your support is greatly appreciated.

#### **November Meetings**

November 11	6 p.m.
November 11	7 p.m.







For our Special Christmas Offering members can order a poinsettia for the altar or make a gift to the Music Fund. Flowers can be taken home after the Christmas Eve service. Please consider making your donation to the Music Fund if you are not interested in taking a flower home.



Deadline to order poinsettias is December 9. Cost is \$10.00.

## JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL YOUTH

# **BASKET BASKET BASKET DECEMBER 15, 2024** AFTER MORNING WORSHIP

Canfield United Methodist

We are now collecting raffle baskets and items for this event for those who are able and willing to donate. Please email Liz with any questions! youth@canfieldumc.org

> TICKET SALES FOR THE EVENT WILL BE COMING SOON!

# Scrapping for Scouts Scrap Metal Drive

Canfield Troop 8025 is available to help remove any unwanted scrap metal, appliances, HVAC systems, etc. from your location.

# Please Call or Text

# to set up a collection time.

Same day pick-ups are often available.

Troop Adult Volunteer Bret Gensburg

# 330-299-8040

Proceeds go directly to offset camping fees and needs of the Scouts. We appreciate your Support!



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Sue Bell, Keith Bingham, Donna Bricker, John Henry, James Moon, Debbie Schrock, Jean Stryffeler

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Our members at home.

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