

ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 29, 2024

- **WELCOME!** Please sign in on a fellowship pad, located at the end of your pew. Provide your email to be added to our e-newsletter list.
- Place your **prayer requests** in the basket on the table at the rear of the sanctuary. They will be collected five minutes before the start of worship.
- **Hearing assisted devices** are available from the sound board operator. These transmit the sound from the microphones directly to your ears. **Magnifying sheets** are available on the table in the narthex by the office.
- **We are livestreaming worship** on Facebook and YouTube.

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- **Welcome to our new staff members!** Jessica Tessman is our new Office Manager. Frances Miller is our new Financial Secretary. Le Ji (“Claire”) is our new Choral Worship Accompanist. We are very blessed!
- We are also receiving **applications for an additional musician** who can play the organ and provide service music. Your continued prayers are appreciated!
- A request from Frances, our new Financial Secretary: please be sure to put **first and last name on receipts** when you need reimbursement. Thank you!
- **Welcome Back to Members and Friends!** Parish Life is hosting a Welcome Back Potluck Dinner immediately after worship today to be held in the downstairs Dining Room. This will be a good time to enjoy fellowship with one another after the summer vacation and as fall activities begin.
- Boy Scout Troop 763 is taking orders for the **Thanksgiving/Christmas wreaths**. The cost is \$25 for a 22” diameter fresh fir wreath. See Luke or Andrew Mackey, Bruce Archer, or sign up on the order form outside the office. Approximately 90 wreaths are available and they will be delivered before Thanksgiving.
- Our national church has urged us to deepen our roles as peacemakers, to study together, to reach out in our community, and challenge our ways of thinking about partisan contention, war, militarism, and gun violence. The **Oct 6 collection for peacemaking** keeps 25% for local ministries. Please earmark a check with Peacemaking, or put your contribution in an envelope marked the same. For more information contact Rex Hauser/the Mission Committee. Thank you.

- **The Presbytery of Lake Michigan will be hosting a study** of *What Kind of Christianity: A History of Slavery and Anti-Black Racism in the Presbyterian Church* by Rev. Dr. William Yoo. The study will be held both in-person (at the Presbytery office in Portage) and by Zoom, and it will be on Mondays from 2:00 to 4:00 pm from September 30 through November 4 (excluding October 28). Rev. Dr. Fran Lane Lawrence, our Executive Presbyter / Stated Clerk, will lead the discussion. Advance registration is required. Dr. Yoo will be speaking at Peoples Church in East Lansing on November 11 and 12. More information is available here: <https://lakemichiganpresbytery.org/2024/08/15/join-us-for-a-book-study-focusing-on-what-kind-of-christianity-by-rev-dr-william-yoo/>
- **The Deacons are collecting food** for the Mason Food Bank. Items currently needed: macaroni and cheese, tuna, peanut butter, canned corn, canned peas, chunky/hearty soups, and chicken noodle soup. Bring your contributions to the table in the Memorial Room by October 12. Thank you!
- **The Deacons are collecting coats, hats, gloves, mittens, boots and scarves.** Please put them in the box in the closet in the Memorial room. They will be given away in October.
- Join us for **dinner each Wednesday night** at 6:00 pm in the Dining Room! Dinner is open to the whole church and you don’t need to bring any food. Monetary donations are greatly appreciated to help cover the food expenses; the cost to hold these dinners has increased. Thank you!
- **Remembrance Sunday** will be November 3. We will be remembering beloved souls who passed away between 10/1/23 through 9/30/24. Please submit names on the bulletin board outside the office by October 20.
- The Mission Committee has informed us that The Justice League of Greater Lansing Michigan is hosting a **Fall Celebration** on November 8 from 5 to 7 pm at the MSUFCU Community Room, Coolidge Road, East Lansing. The special guest speaker is the new Stated Clerk of the Presbyterian Church USA (PCUSA). For more information, go to www.JusticeLeagueGLM.org.
- **The Security Team** is looking for new members that can help out on Wonderful Wednesdays. Anyone interested can email Tim Hammond.
- Please send **submissions for the weekly announcements** and the monthly *Cornerstone newsletter* to Nancy Sue MacDonald at nancy@masonpresbyterian.org.
- **The September/October issue of *The Upper Room* daily devotional** (regular or large print) is available at each entrance to the sanctuary. (Free!)