

ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 20, 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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- **Name tags are back!** We are inviting you to pick up your name tag from the table in the Memorial Room, wear it on Sunday, and then store it in one of the two name tag racks. There is a name tag rack at each of the entrances to the Sanctuary; please store your name tag at the entrance you use more frequently. Please do not return your name tag to the table in the Memorial Room. If you would prefer to use a lanyard rather than a clip, a supply of lanyards is available on the table. For safety reasons, we are not making name tags for anyone under the age of 18. Thank you!
- **Donors should have received a third quarter contribution statement.** If there are errors, please contact Sandy Diehl. Also, offering envelopes for 2024 for several households are in the Memorial Room.
- The **Adult Sunday School Class** will be watching the fourth episode of Season 4 of The Chosen this morning at 11:30 am in the library with a brief discussion following. Join us as we watch this captivating series of Jesus' ministry. Episode 4: Beginning with a funeral procession, time marches rapidly toward the final days of Jesus' ministry. While the disciples seek status for themselves, a Roman ruler comes with a humble request.
- 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. They will be delivered before Thanksgiving.
- **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 **TODAY**.
- **The Deacons are collecting coats, hats, gloves, mittens, boots, new socks, and scarves.** Please put them in the box in the closet in the Memorial room. The last day for donations is **TODAY**. They will be given away in October. Thank you for your generosity!

- The Bridge Builders For Racial Atonement Task Force invites you to view a shortened (45-50 min.) version of the video "**They Even Took The Dirt**" in the Sanctuary after worship on Sunday, October 27. This documentary shows what life was like in the vibrant Black neighborhood in Lansing that was wiped out by Interstate 496 in the late 1960s. There will be light refreshments, and childcare if needed. Please join us. Thank you!
- You should have received a **pledge card for 2025**. Please return it as soon as possible, no later than Sunday, October 27. If you have not received it, please contact the church ASAP. If you have any questions about the financial aspects of your church, or the importance of your financial commitment, please contact Finance Chair Jerry Ambrose, any member of the Finance Committee, any member of the Session, or Pastor Bill Pinches. Thank you for your commitment to our church, not only in your financial commitment, but in your participation in the life of our church, be it through attending and participating in services and lessons, singing in the choir, reaching out to those in need, and supporting the many activities which provide help to those in need!
- Save the date for **UKirk's fall trivia night!** Friday, November 1 from 7-9 pm at the Okemos Presbyterian Church. Cost is \$20 a per person. This is such fun event and all the money goes to support UKirk at MSU. Questions? Ask Sarah Fay-Koutz 517-927-2594
- 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 next meeting of the **Bridge Builders task force** is scheduled for Thursday, November 14, 2024 at 6:15 pm in the library.
- The Deacons are collecting items for this year's **Christmas Family project**. Here is a list of the non-perishable items we will be collecting. As we get closer to Christmas, we will announce some of the remaining perishable items to be collected. Spaghetti noodles, ready rice, canned chicken, canned tuna, peanut butter, strawberry jam, apple sauce jars, instant potatoes, cheerios, corn Chex, Ritz crackers/generic brand, cans of soup, Hershey's miniatures candy, liquid hand soap – soft soap pump bottle, and bottled dish soap.
- **Welcome to our new staff members** Jessica Tessman (Office Manager), Jess Weber (Financial Secretary), and Le Ji ("Claire") (Choral Worship Accompanist). We are very blessed!