

Newsletter 10.10.24

Autumn is finally here! The long, hot days of summer are in the past. Now the days are shorter and a little chillier. It's time to grab our jackets and sweatshirts!

As we prepare for the leaves to fall and the holidays to come, I thought I'd share with you all a prayer for the beginning of the season. This is from an unknown author:

“Autumn Months

O God of Creation, you have blessed us with the changing of the seasons.

As we welcome the autumn months,
may the earlier setting of the sun
remind us to take time to rest.

May the brilliant colors of the leaves
remind us of the wonder of your creation.

May the steam of our breath in the cool air
remind us that it is you who give us the breath of life.

May the harvest from the fields remind us of the abundance we have been given and
the bounty we are to share with others.

May the dying of summer's spirit remind us of your great promise that death is
temporary, and life is eternal.

We praise you for your goodness forever and ever.”

May God bless you all with a wonderful Autumn season!

Pastor Ed

Turkey Supper Tickets are available in the church office during office hours.

Sunday Fellowship Time Refreshments Schedule

October 13 Amber

October 20 Bev & Maynard

October 27 Chili Cook Off – 10:30 AM Worship

In preparation for 2025, we would like to make you aware of the different ways you can give to the church through your tithes and offerings. Your tithe can be made in several ways such as Bill Pay from your bank account and through the usual assigned numbered envelopes. Of course, checks and cash can also be dropped in the offering plate using the generic envelopes found in the pews. The trend the last couple of years has been via Bill Pay. In other words, most of us are not using the boxed, numbered envelopes that are assigned to us each fall, which creates an unnecessary expense to the budget.

We understand that some of you still like to use your assigned box of envelopes. If you would still like to receive a box of numbered envelopes for 2025, please sign your name to the list on the counter outside of the church office or call Sherry R. in the office at 574-784-8215. If you would like information on how to set up your tithing via Bill Pay, please contact Sherry M. If you have unused boxes of envelopes that you are not planning to use, please bring them to the church office of possible use in 2025.

Thank You.

On behalf of the Finance Committee
Sue Halasz, Chairperson

Thank You

Thank you to all who have donated to our food pantry. You have all been so generous, we couldn't do it without you. We are so blessed to have such caring people in our congregation. God Bless All of You!!!

Dear Lakeville UMC and the Sewing Group

Just wanted to "Thank you" for all the prayers, the cards and the cozy warm blanket!! Your thoughtfulness was so appreciated♥ God is good!

Blessings – Jim & Sharon Stewart

Thank You to All who helped by giving time and energy to the Fall Rummage and Bake Sale. An extra "Thanks" to Carol McDougal who makes sure the set-up is ready for sorting and answers all questions and inquiries related to the set-up, sale and clean-up to make this fund raiser for the Women's Mission Projects possible.

God's Grace and Love,

Karen Taylor, Women's Mission Circles, Chairperson

Planning Ahead

Lakeville Fall Festival – Saturday, October 12, 9 AM

Charge Conference – Saturday, October 12, 12:30 – 2 PM
Trinity UMC, 425 S Michigan St Plymouth

Mary Magdalene Mission Circle – Tuesday, Oct. 15, 7 PM
Snack Potluck Lesson – Judy Hygema

Newton Park Trunk or Treat – Saturday, Oct. 19

Finance Meeting – Wednesday, Oct. 23, 10 AM

Ida Mission Circle – Wednesday, Oct. 23, 10 AM Fun Day

LUMC Women's Executive Meeting – Oct. 26, 10 AM

LUMC Trunk or Treat – Saturday, Oct. 26, 4:30 – 6 PM

Euchre/Game Night – Saturday, Oct. 26, 6 PM

Chili Cook Off – Sunday, Oct. 27 10:30 AM Worship

Food Pantry

Food Pantry Needs: canned fruit, spaghetti sauce, cereal, mustard, mayonnaise,
Shelf Stable Milk, ranch dressing, canned peas, crackers, snacks,
cake mixes, frosting, baking supplies.

The Food Pantry is open to anyone in the Union North school district as well as to our church family on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month 3 – 6 PM

TOPS Club is meeting at LUMC on Mondays, 4:00 PM, Room 206,
use north east door. Come Join Us!