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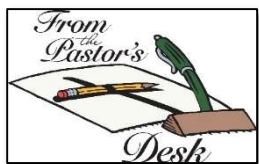
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**Our Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world.**
Our Motto: Love God ~ Love Others ~ Serve the World

November, 2023

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As we make our way more fully into the fall season, I find myself looking forward to the many aspects and traditions that are becoming ever closer like beautifully colored leaves, Thanksgiving, and Advent. All these events are elements that surround our faith, and it is in these moments that we often find ourselves reflecting. Often during the fall, we also get geared up for learning more about stewardship and how we can live as better representatives of God here on this earth. That is what I would like us to turn our minds and hearts to now. As Christians and children of God, we must understand that our lives are not our own, but they belong to our Creator. God has given all of us gifts, which we are to use wisely to serve both God and others. These gifts are understood to take shape in many forms. Our money and tithes are considered a gift, as well as having the gifts of patience, discernment, compassion, mercy, justice, and many, many others. It is through these gifts, that we are called to care and be responsible stewards of the endless resources that were entrusted to us by our God and Creator. An excerpt from an article on SeedTime offers a little more insight into this Biblical concept of stewardship. “Stewardship is something that I hear a lot of talk about, but not a lot of understanding. I truly believe that understanding what stewardship is and how it applies to our lives will change the way we make decisions each day. If we really understand what it means to be good stewards, we will begin to not only see our lives change, but also the world around us. Like all other Biblical principles, tremendous benefit is gained by following them. Let’s look at the actual definition of stewardship.

Stewardship:

- 1: the office, duties, and obligations of a steward
- 2: the conducting, supervising, or managing of something; especially: the careful and responsible management of something entrusted to one’s care: stewardship of our natural resources

I like how it says, “managing of something.” To me this implies that we have decisions to make and are responsible for that over which we are stewards. Just like a manager of business is responsible for his/her department and employees, so we are with all that has been entrusted to us.”

This passage reminds us just what stewardship is and how expansive it is over our entire lives and beings. I encourage you all to reflect more on this important concept. For the next few weeks, we will be looking at how we can further our understanding of stewardship, so we may live and give with extravagant generosity. In Psalm 24 it says, “The earth is the Lord’s, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.” It is with this understanding that we can look forward to sharing what God has given with all those around us, so let us get excited about this new journey of looking at the many aspects of stewardship that we hold with other important times of the year.

May this prayer guide us as we further examine what it means to be good stewards of our gifts and resources. ““Oh Lord, giver of life and source of our freedom, we are reminded by the Psalmist that Yours is “the earth and its fullness; the world and those who dwell in it.” We know that it is from your hand that we have received all we have, and are, and will be. Gracious and loving God, we understand that You call us to be the stewards of Your abundance, the caretakers of all You have entrusted to us. Help us always to use Your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously. May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Christ in our lives. We pray with grateful hearts, in Jesus’ name. Amen.”

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Lizzie



November

BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Fran Wilson
- Jacob Westcott
- Zane Jerome
- 5 Marcia Kepiro
- Joanne Martin
- 8 Tim Mizer
- 15 Jeannie Hoffman
- 16 Zachary Gage
- 18 Nathan Howe
- 19 Kathy Miller
- Loretta Colby
- 20 Ron Ensell
- 23 Cheryl Deyermant
- 25 Nancy Phillips
- 27 Betty Jacques
- 30 Dave Neubauer





Verse of the Day

Speak out for those who cannot speak, for the rights of all the destitute.

- Proverbs 31:8

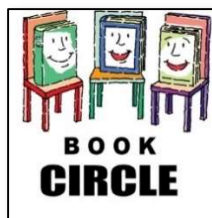
Voice of the Day

We cannot rely upon the silenced to tell us they are suffering.

- Hanan Ashrawi

Prayer of the Day

God who hears, let our words speak not for our own interests, but for the well-being of those whose cries are being silenced.



November

North: A Novel by Brad Kessler

Tuesday, November 14th, at Kathy Housel's house.

Open to other suggestions for books to read!!

Please join us & keep reading!

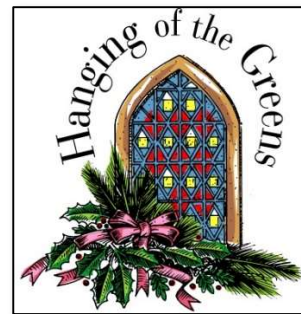


The office will be open 9am-noon on the following dates:

November 17, 20, 21, 22, and 27

The office will be closed:

November 23 & 24



Advent season is upon us. It is time to celebrate!

We need to prepare for the celebration by making our church ready. This will take place on Sunday, November 26th at 4:00pm. We, of course, will gather for a simple meal when the work is done. All are welcome to help ~many hands make light work! We should even be able to put up the large Christmas tree in Wesley Hall~get ready guys!! Help will also be needed the week prior to have everything out and ready to go in place. Watch for details in the next few weeks. May we all look forward to celebrating the Special Season with our church family.

SUSANNA'S CUPBOARD

Hello, Dear Ones

How can I thank you for your full-hearted response to our plea for canned protein? Your response was heartwarming! Thanks to you people you do not know, and will never meet, have the assurance of enough to sustain them for several weeks.

In case you have not seen it in Pamela's weekday notes, you donated 290 cans, weighing 177 pounds, and valued at \$690.02. Your kindness is most assuredly pleasing to GOD. Thank you!



Have you ever experienced not having socks to wear in the cold? Have you ever experienced having socks, but having to wear wet, dirty ones because you don't have any others? There are people here in our area who experience that. YOU CAN HELP! On Sunday, November 19, we're going to have "SOCK (AND GLOVE) SUNDAY". Please bring in gloves and white tube socks that will be put in Susanna's Cupboard to help those in need this winter. Thank you from your Mission Committee and your fellow citizens!!

An Evening with Mrs. Claus



A special event is coming!
Our children will have a chance to meet Mrs. Claus, (Otherwise known as our own Carol Baker.. Shhhh) make a craft, enjoy special treats, and have a photograph taken with Mrs. Claus.

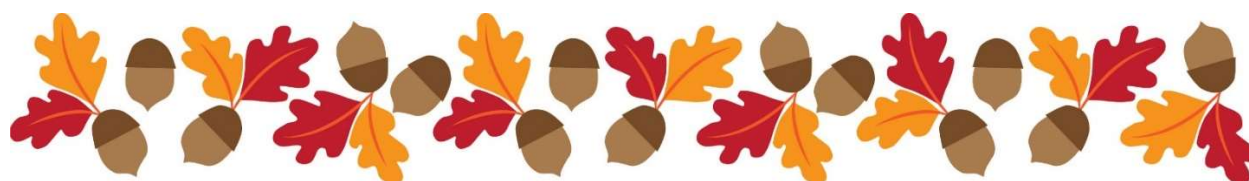
We are holding two sessions: Tuesday evening, Nov.28 is a Sensory Friendly event, for those who like a quieter time; and Thursday evening, Nov. 30 for those who love the hustle and bustle.

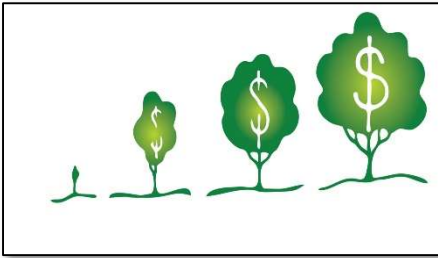
Registration is necessary for either event, by calling or emailing our church office: 440-576-4561, admin@jeffersonumc.com



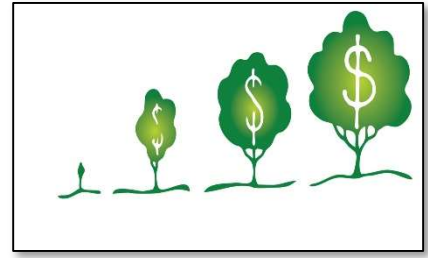
JUMC “General Fund” Monthly Summary through September 30, 2023	
Monthly Budget	\$29,718
Average Monthly Contributions	\$21,957
Average Monthly Expenses	\$24,308
“Shared Ministries” (Conference Apportionments) Paid	75.0%

JUMC “Building Fund” Summary as of September 30, 2023	
Total Expenses (Phases 1-3 plus new entrance driveway)	\$660,344
Paid to Date	\$535,344
Congregational Loans (<i>Payable by 12/31/2024</i>)	\$50,000
Congregational Loans (<i>Payable by 12/31/2027</i>)	\$65,000





JUMC MONEY WALL FUNDRAISER



As we continue to discern how to be good stewards, we are seeking to help JUMC become more financially stable that we may continue to serve God and God's children in our midst. Money is tight all around, and JUMC's leadership understands that we all are trying to stretch our resources further. Even in the midst, we are asking for your help. For the next few weeks, we are holding a money wall fundraiser. We invite you to grab one or many envelopes with a set dollar amount and give that amount, in addition to what you are already giving. This fundraiser is a further invitation to stewardship. Please consider what you might be able to give; every little bit helps. We will continue to collect through November 12th. Thank you for the many ways you give and serve!



Please mark your calendar for these future R & R dates:

- November 16th, on the third Thursday. The 4th Thursday is Thanksgiving.
- December 14th, on the second Thursday. Our Christmas luncheon will be catered in JUMC's Angel's Wing, followed by the Jefferson High School Stage band performing for us in Wesley Hall.

Thank you all for your faithfulness to our church. As always, you are welcome to bring a friend to our luncheons and if you are able, offer to bake and donate desserts for Christian Café, which would be appreciated. Someone would gladly pick it up if you are not able to deliver it.

Blessings, Barb Heath, Senior Coordinator



Care Planning



Talking about care planning for a serious illness can be difficult and is something we'd rather not think about. A Health Care Power of Attorney gives you the chance to specify what types of medical care you would want to have in a serious medical situation. Does your closest friend or relative know what your wishes would be? Do you know what his/her wishes would be? A health care POA spells it out and would give that loved one the ability to make medical decisions on your behalf based on what your wishes are. (This form is for health care purposes only and has nothing to do with financial issues.)

A living will does not name a person to have that ability to act on your behalf but details what you would wish your physician to do for you.

The forms are not lengthy or complex. They are free and I can provide them. You do not need an attorney for either one of these forms. If uncertain what you need/ want, please talk to me. Questions about medical terms? Ask me! I'll be available to meet with you at a convenient time and place.

“We can't plan for everything. But we can talk about what is most important – in our life, and in our health care – with those who matter most. Having this conversation is one of the most loving things you can do for those closest to you.” For more information on how to talk about this subject, go to this website:

theconversationproject.org

The Safety Committee has been encouraging attendance at a CPR class so you can learn lifesaving skills. Nine of our church folks have attended a class – everyone expressed this feeling: “I'm so glad I took the class – I learned a lot.” The paramedic who taught the class stated the following statistic: the average response time to a home for a 911 call is **4 to 10 minutes**. What if your loved one experiences a cardiac arrest? In cardiac arrest the heart stops beating, and the brain will suffer irreversible damage after 3-5 minutes. How close is the rescue squad to your house? What if all the units are out on other calls? Would you be able to provide CPR? Please consider attending a 2-hour CPR class. More dates will be made available for the Jefferson squad. South county has a class the last Thursday of every month.

PS: Jesse is the paramedic severely injured when a car hit their ambulance. The other paramedic has also suffered some injuries. Please pray for their recovery.



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Martha Haluszka, Health Ministry



UNITED METHODIST SPECIAL SUNDAY
UNITED METHODIST STUDENT DAY

CELEBRATE

We celebrate and recognize United Methodist students
as they pursue their dreams through higher education

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100%

Every dollar donated on
United Methodist Student Day
funds over
70 scholarships



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Harvest of Plenty

A Thanksgiving Feast for All

Thursday November 24, 2023

At Jefferson UMC

125 E. Jefferson St. Jefferson, OH 44047

3:00pm to 6:00pm

Everyone is welcome.

Eat in or Take out

Please call the church office for more info

440-576-4561.

If you would like to help out call Lisa

440-563-8758

*Give thanks unto
the Lord*



Susanna Wesley Ministries

Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Susanna Wesley House

Shine Project

Children's Ministry

Bible Study

We are so grateful to Neakru Janice Lee for her time and energy to teach us about the bible. We have learned from the Book of Genesis as we will overview the entire Bible in 14 weeks. We had fun learning about God and God's love for humans. We know that God's desire is to save us and to give us good things! Praise the Lord!



We Are Grateful For SreyOun Eang



Every Sunday, after worship, some of the SWH students help with the Sunday School. In this month, we are so grateful for Srey Oun Eang who volunteered for the first time to help with Sunday School. She said, "I feel so happy that I can help teach children

about God and also change my routine on Sunday to spend more time helping others rather than just lying in bed." With her additional help, the Sunday school committee now has more hands and a caring heart for God's beautiful and precious children.

Written by Reasey Long



Shine Project - Vocational Training Program



In Cambodia, we have more women than men but if only one person in the family can go to university, the parents will choose to send their son, not their daughter. In fact, many young girls are discouraged from continuing education after they finish elementary school to help out in the farm or work at a factory. Young women who have no education or skills frequently opt to get married at a very young age and hope their husband can offer them economic sustenance... only to be

mistreated or abandoned with a baby or two.

Shine Project started two years ago to offer a preemptive assistance to single women (ages 16-26) who are middle/high school dropouts. By offering vocational training where they can attain government sealed license (Khmer food, western food, baking, barista, makeup, hairstyling), they can attain and maintain better paying jobs. As they are attending schools, we offer three seminars (basic Christian education, money management, and women empowerment) to help them to continue in their success in life. We have been able to help 15 young women so far. Please pray for us so that we can continue to help many more young women of Cambodia. *Written by Youlika Vann*

Children's Ministry

We have been diligently creating media for children in Cambodia. We have made over 114 lessons and videos and more than 140 music videos related to the Sunday school lessons. Lately, we started making music videos in animation for younger children. Check out what we have been creating by visiting our YouTube channel! www.youtube.com/@lovemcc



How to Support: An annual tuition for most of the universities in Phnom Penh is about \$600.

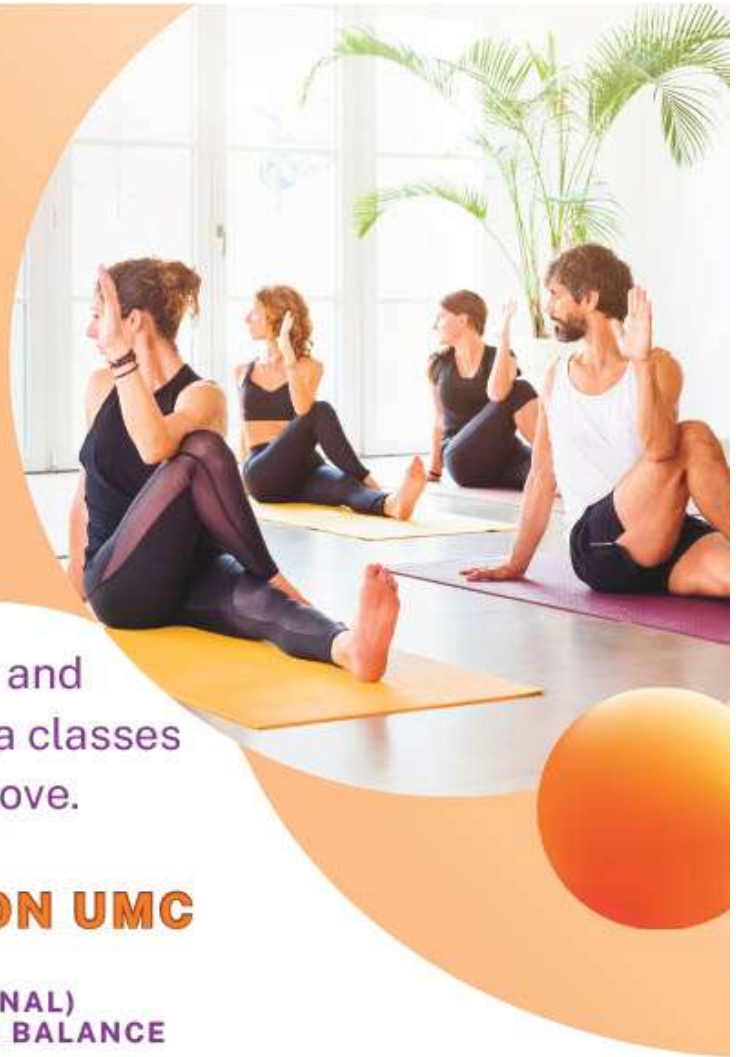
Online support: <https://advance.umcmmission.org/p-393-children-and-youth-scholarships.aspx>
Children and Youth Scholarships - Advance # 3020791

To donate by check: Please make your check payable to **Advance GCFA** and write the **Advance # 3020791** on the memo line. (Address: Advance GCFA PO Box 9068 GPO New York, NY 10087-9068)

Contact: Janice Lee (Susanna Wesley Ministries Coordinator) - janicechristian@gmail.com



YOGA CLASSES



Keep your mind & body healthy and release stress with weekly yoga classes led by Leah from Shanti Yoga Love.

MONDAYS AT JEFFERSON UMC

10:30AM ADAPTIVE YOGA (MAT OPTIONAL)
IMPROVE STRENGTH, ENDURANCE & BALANCE

6:30PM LOW LIGHT VINYIN FLOW
ACTIVE VINYASA FLOW MEETS LONG HOLDS OF
YIN YOGA FOR STAMINA, STRENGTH & RELAXATION

REGISTRATION & INFORMATION

 440-381-8099

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 www.yogalvh.com (or scan code)
email: yogalvh@gmail.com

BY DONATION

SUGGESTED:
STUDENT/SENIOR \$3-5
OTHERS \$10-15



November 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>29</p> <p>9:30am - Worship</p> <p>10:30am - Fellowship</p> <p>10:30am - Sunday</p> <p>5pm - Youth Group</p>	<p>30</p> <p>9am - Pickle Ball</p> <p>10:30am - Yoga -</p> <p>6:30pm - Boy Scouts</p> <p>6:30pm - Yoga - Slow</p>	<p>31</p> <p>10:30am - Ministry</p> <p>6:30pm - Covenant</p>	<p>1</p> <p>6:30pm - Bell Choir</p> <p>7pm - Chancel Choir</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9am - Pickle Ball</p> <p>10:30am - Women's</p>	<p>3</p> <p>8am - WIC</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>5</p> <p>9:30am - Worship</p> <p>10:30am - Fellowship</p> <p>10:30am - Sunday</p> <p>5pm - Youth Group</p>	<p>6</p> <p>9am - Pickle Ball</p> <p>10:30am - Ministry</p> <p>10:30am - Yoga -</p> <p>6pm - Ad Board</p> <p>6:30pm - Boy Scouts</p> <p>6:30pm - Yoga - Slow</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Election Day</p> <p>4pm - Christian Cafe @</p>	<p>8</p> <p>6:30pm - Bell Choir</p> <p>7pm - Chancel Choir</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9am - Pickle Ball</p> <p>10:30am - Women's</p> <p>3pm - Quilters</p> <p>6:30pm - Trustees</p>	<p>10</p> <p>8am - WIC</p>	<p>11</p> <p>8:30am - Stephen Min.</p>
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<p>19</p> <p>Sock Sunday</p> <p>9:30am - Worship</p> <p>10:30am - Fellowship</p> <p>10:30am - Sunday</p> <p>5pm - Youth Group</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Office hrs 9-12</p> <p>9am - Pickle Ball</p> <p>10am - Ministry Team</p> <p>10:30am - Yoga -</p> <p>6:30pm - Boy Scouts</p> <p>6:30pm - Yoga - Slow</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Office hrs 9-12</p> <p>4pm - Christian Cafe @</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Office hrs 9-12</p> <p>6:30pm - Bell Choir</p> <p>7pm - Chancel Choir</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Office closed</p> <p>9am - Pickle Ball</p> <p>10:30am - Women's</p> <p>3pm - Thanksgiving</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Office closed</p> <p>8am - WIC</p>	<p>25</p> <p>10am - Quilters</p>
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