



Luverne YMC

October 2024 Messenger

Happy Fall everyone! Our September events have been full and busy! We can hear the band practicing and the Football games from across the way. The weather is slowly reminding us that something different that the fun of summer is close! We held Rally Day, and our own Christian Education is in full swing! We have gained some kids over the summer, and we couldn't be happier!

Rally day brought us a wonderful time of bonding as a faith family. We celebrated with the Hallelujah Hooligans, shared a wonderful meal by the men of our church, blessed the backpacks of our kids and encouraged all of you to take a name of a young person to be their faith friend. As a family, our awareness of our impact on the lives of our kids is more important than we know. So, I share again what one couple felt as they took on this important task....

"A couple of years ago, we took two names during Rally Sunday...we sent a note introducing ourselves and asked questions of the child. For example, "What do you like best about school? What's your favorite book? What do you like to do when you're not in school? What are your favorite foods?"

The oldest of the two was a girl. She answered the notes with answers to our questions, plus questions for us to answer. In one note she sent a picture of herself which is still on our refrigerator.

At Christmas, we made two gift bags for our "names." One for a girl, and one for a younger boy. We put some homemade Christmas Cookies, some Christmas candies and a few age-appropriate small items in each bag.

When the girl received her gift, she was excited! She thanked us and gave us each a hug! She has younger sisters, and I accidently heard one of them exclaiming to someone else that her sister would even give her a piece of candy!

So, at Easter, we made five gift bags. Four were for girls, one was for a boy! What a joy it was to watch those girls open their bags and peek inside! It was also nice to receive a hug from each one. By the way, we are still receiving hugs on Sunday mornings!

The boy whose name we received was younger. He is also very shy. He wasn't sure he should take the gift! However, his parents told him it was okay, so he took the gift without looking at it. Then his parents told him to say thank you, it was difficult for him, but he did! We would just continue to say "hi" to him when we'd see him, or if he was up front for something like a kids talk, we'd tell him what a great job he did.

This past Easter, he came up to me with his mom just a few feet behind him not watching, and gave me a hug and said, "thank you!" What a wonderful surprise it was!

The secret to leave you with is **"be patient and filled with joy when you see them!"**

As your pastor, I would remind you that without our children, the future of our church is bleak. It is the responsibility of all of us to care for them, to love on them and to encourage them in their faith! They learn how to be a Christian from you. They learn how important it is from you! Thank you, thank you for being a part of their lives and agreeing to be encouraging and supportive of them. Our future is in your hands!

Blessings

Pastor Dorie

UMC Luverne Members and Friends that live in Special Homes:

Mary Jane Brown Home
~ Bill Holling ~ David Johnson

MN Veterans Home
~ Keith Luethje

Poplar Creek Assisted Living
~ Annabelle Frakes - Phyllis Mohr

The Oaks
~ Sally Cooksley - Marv Laackmann

The Tuff Home - Hills
~ Ralph Watts



WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
OCTOBER 6, 2024



SHUT IN COMMUNION/VISITS

OCTOBER 9, 2024

OCTOBER 15, 2024



All Saints Day - November 3
Daylight savings Fall back - November 3
Christmas program Practice starts - November 6
Thanksgiving Day - November 28
Annual Christmas Program - December 18
Annual Christmas Eve service and Community Meal - December 24
Winter is Coming ...sad day!



Sunshine Grocery Cards - available to buy Sundays and work hours

Prayer Chapel - every Wednesday from 9am-7pm

God's Circle - 1st Tuesday of each month at 1:30pm - October 1

Prayer Warriors - 2nd Sunday of each month - October 13

Kid Sing Sunday - Every 3rd Sunday of each month - October 20

We recycle ink cartridges - place them in the basket in the entryway

We recycle aluminum cans - put them in bin on the SW corner of courtyard

Prayer Chain

We are here to help! If you have someone special you would like us to pray for you may contact Jan Brandenburg at (507) 283-4059 or you can call the church office during business hours.

Prayer makes your life beautiful



Our Live Streaming area is being studied and researched to determine direction since the Radio has dropped our Broadcast. Please stay tuned for updates on this important area and continue watching and sharing the Facebook live stream. Thank you for your patience!

facebook.com/umcluverne/live

Quote of the Month



The Prayer Chain list for the month of October is as follows:

WEEK OF October 6, 2024 - Kimberly Bennett, Jessa Dahl, Alyssa Frakes Family, Terry and Peggy Nelson, Marilyn VanWyhe and for MN Annual Conference.

WEEK OF October 13, 2024 - Gene Ashby, Matthew and Jessica Fick, Marv Laackmann and Carol Grimaldo. Josh and Brittany Yamauchi Family, Jeanne VandeHoef and for support groups.

WEEK OF October 20, 2024 - Annabelle Frakes, Jim and Nova Like, Autumn Barger Family, Madison Crabtree, Justin and Nicole VanWyhe Family and for our Senior Care Ministry.

WEEK OF October 27, 2024 - Travis and Amber Arends, Dawn Cope Family, Josh and Keela Fick Family, Sharron Betsinger, Wyattte and Amanda Kruse Family, Phyllis Mohr and for the Rock County Food Shelf.

October 2024 Silver Bucket
And Trunk Ministry

S H A R E
Sharing Hearts Are Reaching Everyone

The SHARE program collects donations and distributes gifts of food, clothing and toys to Rock County, MN residents in need during the holiday season.

2024 is the 36th year SHARE has been in operation. SHARE was incorporated in 1988 and is a non-profit organization. All funds and gifts to SHARE are received through voluntary donations which are tax deductible. The board members and officers of SHARE and everyone who helps with the program are volunteers.

Undy
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Please drop Undys of all size for men, women and children in our trunk.

We will also collect socks, mittens, hats, etc.



Luverne United Methodist Church

 Soup Supper

United Women
 invite you to our
 Soup Supper

Thursday, October 10, 2024
5pm until Gone ~ Bring a Friend

<p>HOME MADE Vegetable Beef Soup Chicken Noodle Soup Chili Desserts Beverage</p>	<p>Adult \$10.00 Children \$5.00 (under 10 years old) Take Out Available (507) 283-4529</p>
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The Schwartz Scholarship Fund, with the blessing of the Schwartz Family, has transferred \$20,000 to the Trustees to assist with building repairs. Thank you so much to the Schwartz Family and the Scholarship Fund for your assistance with this important project!



The men's group will meet on October 12, 2024. We will meet at Pizza Ranch at 9am in the small meeting room. Hey guys we would love to have you join us! If you are interested and have any questions, please be sure to talk to Bryce Schomacker!





BECOME A MEMBER

We have been seeing a lot of new faces in our pews lately...we love having you with us so we can get to know you and welcome you! If any of you are interested in becoming a new member of our faith family or you would like more information, please speak to Pastor Dorie. Thank you for coming! God bless you!



God Circle will meet on Tuesday, October 1, 2024 at 1:30pm .

We have the Soup Supper on October 10, 2024 at 5pm. We will have Vegetable Beef and Chicken Noodle Soup along with Chili with dessert and a beverage. If you would like to help or have more questions please feel free to contact me!

Sewn In Faith will only be meeting on the 4th Tuesday of the month for now. Our next meeting will be October 22, 2024 at 1:30pm.

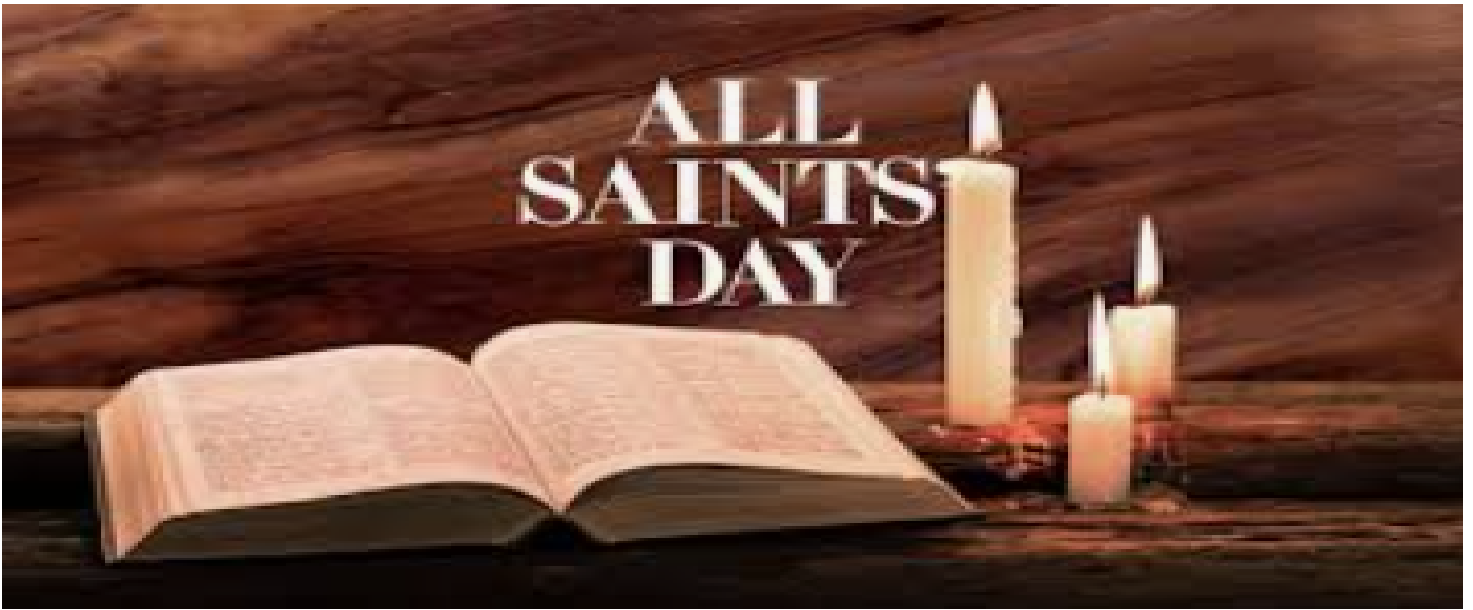
Anyone is welcome to join us for sewing, laughter, fellowship and refreshments. Along with quilts, we will be making fleece scarves to put on the railing at the Library and/or handing out to anyone in our church/community who may need one. The plan is also to meet with the Youth Group to help them with a project we hope they will enjoy. The date for this is TBD. See you on the 24th!



That's right Ladies! We have a fifth Tuesday in October! So that means a special event! This has become a wonderful event that we have enjoyed! We have made it our tradition to schedule a special event where the place or activity is not revealed right away...it is a wonderful time of fellowship, laughter, and fun! Be sure to mark your calendars for

October 29, 2024. The fun begins at 1:30pm!

Keep your eyes open and your schedule free while you wait for your next invites to reach your mailbox with information of the day's event!!



Each November we celebrate those we love who have gone before us at our All-Saint's Day Service, which is November 3, 2024. We dedicate All Saints Day to our loved ones and our ancestors, as a day to remember in prayer for all those who have died. We have a moment of silence for the many dearly departed loved ones... This November we will offer prayer and remembrance to:

Eleanor Dicks ~ Mayford "Buster" Rust ~ Dale Hawes ~ Clyde Menning ~ Mike Kochel ~ Laureen Fick

During our All-Saints service we not only honor those who have gone before us, but also, we celebrate those who bring new to our Faith Family through Holy Baptism. In November we welcome and embrace:

Arya Rose Rigney ~ Cillian Gray Rigney ~ Garrett Michael Cattnach ~ Summer Rose Aning ~ Danny James Aning ~ Lincoln James Kracht ~ Korie Marie Schomacker ~ Hallie Michaela Ruppert



It's new! We have a QR code This code will make it much easier to do online giving! Just scan the code with your phone and it will bring you right to it.

If you are not familiar with QR codes and need help with this, have questions, or want more information about the code or online giving you may speak to Shannon Dwire!



LUMC Scan to Give!

October 23, 2024

November 27, 2024
Thanksgiving Dinner

December 24, 2024
Christmas Eve Dinner

Food & Fellowship
a free community meal



- 1 - Perry Stickling
- 2 - Brad Fick
- 4 - Manny Olson
- 5 - Skyler Hoiland
- 7 - Wayne Kruger
- 10 - Marcia Mulder
- Nisha Cope
- Nick Jackelen
- Emma Jackelen

- 18 - Heather Brown
- Deb Ward
- Emily Crabtree
- 22 - Andrew Hanson
- 23 - Ralph Watts
- 24 - David Vis
- 29 - Garrett Cattnach
- 31 - Justine Miller

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Worship Responsibilities

Date	Lay Reader	Hosts	Power Point	Sound	Counters	Worship Asst.	Coffee	Gift Cards
October 6	Lola Donth	Jay and Bev Mann	Jennifer Hilfers	David Vis	Felicia Hanson	Jack Hanson	Wyatte Kruse	Karis Dwire
October 13	Travis Dwire	Randy and Char Kruse	Reegan Gabrielson	Luther Hall	Everett and Jan B.	Lola Donth	Vicki Slack	Sharron Betsinger
October 20	Mary Gehrke	Peggy Nelson	Jeanne Bowron	Jason Kruse	Gene Ashby	Willy Baker	Mary Gehrke	Brenda Stickling
October 27	Jim Hanson	Manny and Ember Olson	Journey Anderson	Open	Jay and Bev Mann	Josh Crabtree	Felicia Hanson	Christine VH

Communion	Video
Becky Anderson	Beth Fick

Trustee of the Week	
September 30, 2024 thru October 6, 2024	Jack Hanson
October 7, 2024 thru October 13, 2024	Beth Fick
October 14, 2024 thru October 20, 2024	Jeanne Bowron
October 21, 2024 thru October 27, 2024	Al Aanenson
October 28, 2024 thru November 3, 2024	Roger Carlson

September Budget



General Budget Totals		
September 1, 2024 thru September 22, 2024		
Envelopes	\$	13,980.00
Loose Offering	\$	620.00
Apportionments	\$	0.00
Broadcasting / LiveStream	\$	0.00
Online Giving (June)	\$	3,355.00
Total Budget	\$	17,955.00
Non-Budget Donations		
Silver Bucket	\$	204.54
Holy Spirit Cafe	\$	60.56
Food Shelf	\$	0.00
Endowment	\$	0.00
Rent	\$	0.00
Upper Room	\$	0.00
Total Non-Budget	\$	265.10
Trustees		
General	\$	0.00
Sump Pumps	\$	0.00
Roofing	\$	5,500.00
Total Trustees	\$	5,500.00
Misc. Giving	\$	0.00
Grand Total	\$	23,720.10

We have successfully navigated through needing to replace and repair our roof, raising the needed funds and with the help of insurance, and not needing to borrow any money! So Exciting! There are groups working hard to get our Upper Room and the Technology area of our church updated to be consistent with their use and need. This too is exciting!

For several weeks, we are going to be learning about Praising our God and the relationship that praise has to do with how we support our church!

Psalm 118:1, says, "Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love endures forever."

How often do you reflect on just how good our God is...? How his love explodes into our lives, or even sometimes subtly gives us those messages of love and support? It isn't always our first thought every morning or as we get caught up in our day to day lives to give thanks for the fact that we are breathing, or that we have a home or family, we don't always have the opportunity to reflect on just how important it is to have a faith community all around us, or a family who would go the distance with us no matter what the need...but it doesn't negate that fact that those things exist in our every days!

God is generous and gives to us in so many ways, it only makes sense that we would want to give back. As God's heart is reflected in his presence in our lives, so it is important that our love for God is reflected in our giving back to Him. We do this by what our United Methodist member promises reflect by our prayers, our presence, our service, our witness and our gifts. Join us the end of October and November in going deeper in learning the impact of praising God meaningfully and effectively!