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The Messenger

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of LUVERNE

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Open
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doors.

From the Pastor

As we begin this new year, this pastor prays for a year that doesn't imitate this last year in her family's life, but yet one that is just as good for her church as 2018 came to be. Luther, Dorie and family give thanks to those of you who reached out in many ways in all the personal family issues that went on this last year. The phone calls, the cards, the visits, the being there at a drop of the hat, the sharing of burdens and most especially the prayers. They have brought blessings and peace.

In whatever way you reached out to us in this overwhelming year, we are thankful for you. As this beautiful faith family continues to grow together, your love continues to lift us and fill us with Jesus! Thank you so very much and Blessings on your 2019!

Pastor Dorie

BUDGET

GENERAL BUDGET TOTALS

December 2, 2018 thru December 30, 2018

Envelopes	$ 16,220.00
Loose offering	$ 551.46
Apportionments	$ 140.00
Radio	$ 4,090.00
Christmas Letter	$ 3,571.00
Holy Spirit Café	$ 6.00
Reimburse R&E	$ 423.27
	$ 25,001.23
TOTAL	**$ 25,001.23**

NON-BUDGET DONATIONS

Silver Bucket	$ 280.57
Upper Room	$ 1.00
	$ 281.57
TOTAL	**$ 281.57**

TRUSTEES

General	$ 70.00
Renovations	$ 160.00
	$ 230.00
TOTAL	**$ 230.00**

TOTALS	**$ 25,001.23**
	$ 281.57
	$ 230.00
GRAND TOTAL	**$ 25,512.80**

Date	Lay Reader	Greeters	Power Point	Sound	Tellers
January 6	Phyllis Mohr	10am - Sue Stroh	10am - Jeanne Bowron	10am - David Vis	Jack & Felicia Hanson
January 13	Sandy Vogt	10am - Annabelle Frakes	10am - Jennifer Hilfers	10am - John Hilfers	Jack & Felicia Hanson
January 20	Kim Donth	10am - Annabelle Frakes	10am - Carol McDonald	10am - Matthew Fick	Jack & Felicia Hanson
January 27	Lola Donth	10am - Dwire Family	10am– Jesse	10am - Jason Kruse	Open

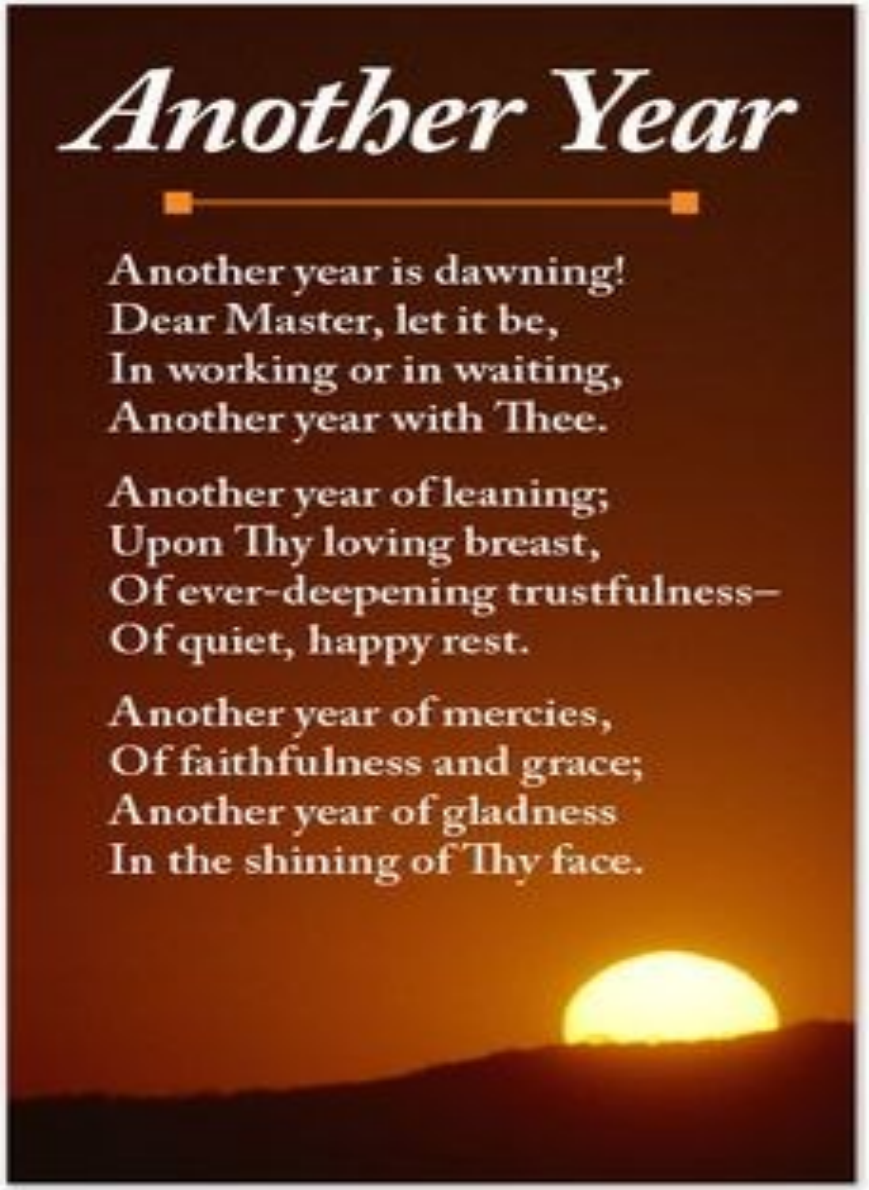
January 2019

Communion Helpers: Open
Video: Beth Fick
Head ushers: Bryce Schomacker

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK JANUARY 2019

December 31, 2018 thru January 6, 2018 - Cody Gehrke
January 7, 2019 thru January 13, 2019 - Beth Fick
January 14, 2019 thru January 20, 2019 - Roger Carlson
January 21, 2019 thru January 27, 2019 - Al Aanenson
January 28, 2019 thru February 3, 2019 - Jeanne Bowron



EVENTS

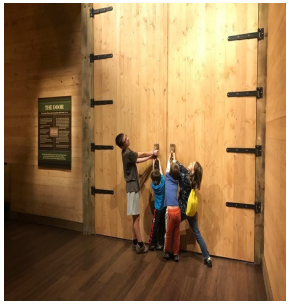
- Officer Recognition Sunday - January 13
- Communion Day for the Shut-Ins - January 15
- Endowment Fund Waffle Lunch - January 20
- Community Meal - January 23
- Movie Night - January 28
- Annual Spaghetti Feed and Chocolate Buffet - February 10

COMMUNION SERVICE
JANUARY 13, 2019 - 10:00 AM

COMMUNION DAY FOR SHUT-INS
JANUARY 15, 2019

NOAH's ARK

So, there is a group of us talking about planning a trip to the Noah's Ark Experience in Kentucky this summer or fall. Sounds like fun, doesn't it? If this is something you might be interested in, will you talk to Pastor Dorie or Sandy Vogt? It is quite possible we can throw in a short or small mission experience along the way as well. Can you say...ROAD TRIP? Check out some of these cool pictures of it...



What a truly awesome experience that would be For all ages...Let's do it!

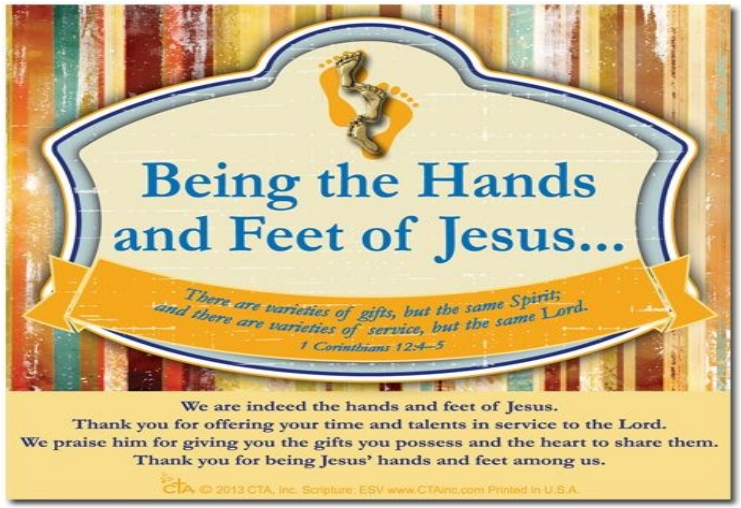
Family Movie Night

Hey everyone, you asked for it and we are going to try it! Beginning on Monday night, January 28th, we are going to begin movie nights, including popcorn! There are tons of great Christian movies out there, ones we can laugh with or cry with or even to help us learn and we are ready to show them. Who knows what we'll start with...should it be the Ten Commandments?!

JOIN US January 28th at 6:30 pm....if you need a ride...let us know!

Officer Recognition Sunday

So with the new year comes the changing of the guard, so to speak. We have some officers and leaders that will be coming on committees and some that will be going off and taking a break. In the last couple of years, we have been blessed by a wonderful rotation and variety of people taking on all the important roles within our faith family. We will celebrate this special happening on January 13th as we have our Annual Officer Recognition, during our church service.



Happy New Year!

DIRECTIONS: Find and circle the vocabulary words in the grid. Look for them in all directions including backwards and diagonally.

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The Prayer Chain Please call Jan Brandenburg @ 283-4059 for specific announcements. Our prayer chain has been expanded to include our faith family and areas of ministry on a rotating basis. Who couldn't use the help of prayers in life, occasionally? The Prayer Chain list for the month is as follows:

WEEK OF January 6, 2019 - Mike Aanenson Family, Roger Carlson, Andrew Hanson, Carol Kor and Steve Ferguson, Rev. Dr. Deborah Mariya, Keith and Melanie Peterson, Dr. Darrell and Eleanor Siebert and for the Outreach Ministries of our Community.

WEEK OF January 13, 2019 - Pam Abell, Steve and Penny Cattnach, Travis and Shannon Dwire Family, David and Anissa Vis, Eric Kor, Dr. George and Carol McDonald, Crystal Phillips Family, Casey Smith Borgen Family, Jerry and Beth Wieman and for Leadership in our Community.

WEEK OF January 20, 2019 - Ada Adams, Jennifer Cattnach and Chip Spergin Family, Marian Eatherton, Jack and Felicia Hanson, Ramona McDowell, Ed and Cherise Ray Family, Jordan and Andrea Sparks Family and for Praise and Thanksgiving to Jesus.

WEEK OF January 27, 2019 - Jeff and Johnna Ahrendt Family, Josh and Ashley Christensen Family, Russ and Colleen Enga, James and Deb Hanson, Kevin Kraetsch and Sherri Smith, Clyde and Ginny Menning, Toni Recuero Family, Kerry and Christie Stoops and for the finances of our church and tithing.

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PUBLICATION GUIDELINES

Sometimes these things are hard to remember so here are the guidelines we need to follow for the office:

BULLETIN ITEMS

All items for publication in the weekly bulletins need to be on the secretary's desk or sent to her email no later than end of work day on Tuesday.

NEWSLETTER ITEMS

The deadline for newsletter items is published on the monthly calendars in your messengers, in the weekly announcements the week before in your bulletins and an email reminder is sent to all the week before the deadline. Please check these items for the deadline.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

The office preference is to receive special items on Monday or Tuesday as those are the less busy days. Please allow 3 business days to complete.

January 23, 2019

February 27, 2019

March 27, 2019

Sponsor a broadcast for $90. The chart for 2019 is on the bulletin board by the church office. Signup today!!!! **UMC TV** broadcast can be seen on Mondays @ 3:00pm and Fridays @ 5pm on Knology Local Channel 3. **Listen to KQAD** Radio Broadcast on Sundays at 10:30am on 800 Radio. Here is a list of our honoree supporters for December 2018:

DECEMBER 2, 2018 - Was sponsored by the Hoh Family in loving memory of their mother Marguerite. We would like to thank you and wish blessing to you for sponsoring this broadcast**.**

DECEMBER 9, 2018 - Was not sponsored.

DECEMBER 16, 2018 - Was not sponsored

DECEMBER 23, 2018 - Was not sponsored

DECEMBER 30, 2018 - Was not sponsored.

UMC Luverne Members and Friends that live in Special Homes.

Mary Jane Brown Home - Luverne
- Ada Adams

MN Veterans Home - Luverne
- Marv Hawes

Poplar Creek Assisted Living - Luverne
Bill Holling

Tuff Memorial Home - Hills
Bernice Aukes

Lavonne Anderson and Pastor Dorie will be setting aside time to visit members of our faith family who are home bound or living in our local care facilities. ***We will also be bringing them communion on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.***

If you have any questions, or would like us to visit your loved one, please contact Lavonne or Pastor Dorie. Any one of you and our Faith Family is also invited to join us anytime!

2018 - 2019
Children
and...

Happy New Year!

And God said "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years. Genesis 1:14

I hope you all had a joyous Christmas Season. I hope you spent lots of time making memories with your loved ones celebrating the birth of our Savior.

I have been working on something for FUEL for 2019 and excited to get them underway.

Staring January 23, Manny will be teaching the children the disciples for the next 13 weeks. Each week they will meet and learn each disciple and their story. At the end of the 13 weeks, the kids and disciples will sit down for the Last Supper.

The younger kids (PS and K) will be doing activities each week with their teachers about each disciple after introduction and meeting the disciples.

We are really excited about this and hope the kids are too.

FUEL SCHEDULE

- Jan 2nd -No Fuel
- Jan 2nd- Oliver Birthday
- Jan 9th – FUEL RESUME
  Jesus Feeds
  Jan 11th-Kinley Birthday
- Jan 16th Jesus Heals
- Jan 21-Heidi's Birthday
- Jan 23-Simon Peter
- Jan 30 James and John

FUEL is from 6pm-7pm
Wednesday evenings

January 2019

2 Alyssa Frakes
4 Kathy Schadwinkel
7 Darwin Reyne
Ramona McDowell
9 Jan Brandenburg
10 Amber Arends
11 Phyllis Mohr
Kinley Dwire
12 Beth Fick
14 Braelyn Nelson
15 Amy Kruger
Charles Cooksley
Marty Rigney
16 Yssi Cronquist
Josh Crabtree
21 Journey Dwire
23 Linda Reisdorfer
24 Kim Donth
26 Rebecca Hauge
29 Matthew Lupkes
Jeanne Bowron
Marv Laackmann
30 Jessamy Dwire
31 Mike Aanenson

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Worship

The Worship Assistant charts for 2019 are being prepped now. Please volunteer for this important area of church. Every one should be involved at least once a year in some spot of leading worship. It takes over 10 people to make our services happen each Sunday..

AND WE NEED YOU!

Please sign your name and volunteer These sheets are on the counter in the back or you may stop in or call the Church office to sign up. 507-283-4529. Thank you for your consideration!

THE 12TH ANNUAL CHOCOLATE BUFFET AND SPAGHETTI SUPPER

IS COMING SOON...

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR

FEBRUARY 10, 2019

STAY TUNED FOR FUTURE DETAILS! YUMMY!

January 2019

ALIVE News

Happy New Year to all!

I am so pleased to say that we, the ALIVE Youth Group have gotten through another awesome and very successful, spirit-lifting year! We have all learned so much from each other and the youth have grown a lot spiritually as well. I am so proud of all the youth! Their willingness to learn and help has been amazing.

As you can see we have a lot of really cool things to look forward to in January! Can't wait to see what adventures we will have this upcoming year! I am working with an amazing bunch of kids, parents and staff and look forward to the New Year!

God Bless ~ Manny

January Events

6 - Movie Night

13 - Family Night (Everyone)

20 - Redeemed Remnants

26 - Church Lock in

Youth Program

January 2019 Silver Bucket

Senior Dining/Meals on Wheels

Good Health

Consistent well-balanced meals can boost your immune system, reduce your risk for many health-related conditions and prevent the need for premature nursing home or assisted living care.

Good Neighbors

Our volunteers personally greet and get to know each person when they deliver the fresh, hot meals. Older adults enjoy the friendly, personal interaction which for many is the only person they see or speak to all day.

Family members gain peace of mind in knowing that someone is checking on their loved one daily. If the delivery volunteer notices anything of concern, with the senior's permission, we can notify family members.

Home-Delivery Options

Hot, nutritious meals are typically delivered daily Monday through Friday. Frozen meals are available for weekends, holidays and other closure days.

You choose your delivery schedule. You can choose to have a hot meal delivered daily by a friendly volunteer or choose a combination of hot meals and frozen meals delivered on the days that work best for you.

Their life is so busy, so much to learn and so much to do...they may be worried, anxious, or stressed but a quick note from you will make them feel blessed. Send them a note...lend them your ear...just let them know their church is still here. It doesn't have to be big or anything much, just let them know you'll keep in touch!

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In case you forgot there is no time like the New Year...Let us reach out to those who may not be able to reach us for whatever reason this New Year. Send a card or a treat. Let them know the love we feel for them cannot be beat. A little love goes a long, long way bring them cheer to start their new year…
Here is the list of the homebound who have taught us so much...

Ramona McDowell
120 N. Spring Street, Apt. 107
Luverne, MN 56156

Ada Adams
Mary Jane Brown Home
110 S. Walnut Avenue
Luverne MN 56156

Bill Holling
201 Oak Drive Apt. 301
Luverne, MN 56156

Elzora Ott
306 N. Estey Street
Luverne, MN 56156

Marv Hawes
MN Veterans Home
1300 N. Kniss Avenue
Luverne, MN 56156

Keith & Betty Luethje
220 Oak Drive
Luverne, MN 56156

Raymond Hankins
1516 E Avenue
Worthington MN 56187

Charles & Sally Cooksley
411 E. Lincoln Street
Luverne, MN 56156

Marie Paulsen
P O Box 36
Hills, MN 56138

Kenny Swenson
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David Johnson
1801 College Way, Apt. 125
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Grace Boeve
120 N. Spring, Apt. 308
Luverne, MN 56156

Bernice Aukes
Tuff Home #31
505 4th Street
Hills MN 56138

Joyce Holm
212 Oak Drive
Luverne, MN 56156

And let us not forget the college kids we miss so much…

Our Weekly Radio Broadcasts

Hey everyone, don't forget our Radio Broadcast Network every Sunday. This is an opportunity for everyone to honor or lift up the memory of a loved one or special blessing every Sunday through the radio. It also gets the message of Jesus out there in our community. I hear often from people who are listening to us by radio...it's a wonderful outreach. We continue to need your support for this area of ministry! Stop by the office to sign up. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board right outside the church office for you to pick a day that you would like to sponsor. **Beginning in January 2019 the cost will be $90.00.**

COMMUNICATION

It has struck some of us as funny, and in the least interesting. We have more ways than ever in sharing information and connecting with all of you, yet, we still hear that some of you don't know what's happening in church.

We are in the process of beginning a new phase of communicating, where all of our leaders will share through the same program. This is called 'Flocknote.' It is a widely used church communication program and it is part of our new technology work. We have been and will continue to share information with you through traditional ways: email, texts, phone calls, newsletter, bulletin, continuous loop on Sunday mornings, announcements on Sunday mornings, news through the paper, website, mailings and Facebook. We have worked very hard at being consistent and this is happening better than ever.

Please know, that at any time, you are more than welcome to attend our Church Council meetings for further clarification or information seeking, as well as speaking to committee leaders.

We cannot force you to open your mail, to view various social media pieces, ask appropriate questions or make phone calls, etc. What we can do is continue working at providing information as best as we can, and right now, we have more abilities to do this than we ever have had available to us.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out, we are a Faith Family in this church and we will continue to strive to keep all things connected.

THANK YOU!

2019

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 **8am** - Priscilla Circle ? **7pm -** Boy/Cub Scouts	2 NO FUEL or Confirmation classes **8pm** - AA Meeting	3 **1-3pm** - Rock Co. Food Shelf	4	5 **8pm** - AA Meeting
	PASTOR DORIE VACATION					
6 *Epiphany Sunday* **9am -** Coffee Hour & Adult SS **10am** - Worship Service **4:30pm** - Genesis/Revelation Bible Study **6pm -** ALIVE Youth Group - Movie Night **PASTOR DORIE VACATION**	7 **6:30pm** - M&M Meeting **P. Dorie - LLP Mankato** **8pm** - AA Meeting	8 **9:30am -** Sanctuary Care Meeting - Take Christmas decorations down **7pm -** Cub Scouts /Boy Scout	9 **6pm -** F.U.E.L. and Confirmation **8pm** - AA Meeting	10 **1-3pm** - Rock Co. Food Shelf **7pm -** Schwartz Scholarship Meeting	11	12 FH Reserved for Phyllis' BD Party **8pm** - AA Meeting
13 *2nd Sunday after the Epiphany* **9am -** Coffee Hour & Adult SS **10am** - Worship Service - Communion Officer Recognition Sunday **Prayer Warriors after Service** **4:30pm** - Genesis/Revelation Bible Study **6pm -** ALIVE Youth Group - Fam. Night	14 **2pm** - Jakki/Dorie **6:30pm** - Worship & Music Meeting - Upper Room hosted by Mary/ Dorie **8pm** - AA Meeting	15 **Shut in Communion Day** **6:30pm** - Trustees Meeting **7:30pm -** Church Council Meeting	16 **6pm -** F.U.E.L. and Confirmation **8pm** - AA Meeting	17 **1-3pm** - Food Shelf	18	19 **8pm** - AA Meeting
20 *3rd Sunday after the Epiphany* **9am -** Coffee Hour & Adult SS **10am** - Worship Service **Endowment Fund Waffle Lunch** **4:30pm** - Genesis/Revelation Bible Study **6pm -** ALIVE Youth Group - Redeemed Rem.	21	22 MESSENGER DEADLINE **7pm -** Cub Scouts /Boy Scout	23 **5:30pm -** Comm. Meal **6pm -** F.U.E.L. and Confirmation **8pm** - AA Meeting	24 **1-3pm** - Rock Co. Food Shelf	25	26 **8pm** - AA Meeting ALIVE Lock In
27 *4th Sunday after the Epiphany* **9am -** Coffee Hour & Adult SS **10am** - Worship Service **4:30pm** - Genesis/Revelation Bible Study	28 **6:30pm** - Movie Night **8pm** - AA Meeting	29 **9:30am -** Folding Team	30 **6pm -** F.U.E.L. and Confirmation **8pm** - AA Meeting	31 **1-3pm** - Rock Co. Food Shelf		