

MILACA UNITED METHODIST



November 2018 Newsletter

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors



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- Sunday Service 9:30am
- Coffee & Fellowship Following Service
- Bible Studies
- Youth Group
- Sunday School
- Vacation Bible School
- UMW
- Much, much, more!



NOVEMBER 2018 PASTOR'S PAGE

Worship staying at 9:30 am this winter

Giving Thanks – Cultivating an attitude of gratitude

In these days of political disagreements in can be hard to think about being thankful, but we have much for which to give thanks. I encourage you to begin a list of things that you are thankful for and add at least one item each day during November. By the time you get to Thanksgiving you will have at a minimum of 22 things on your list. I'll get us started:

1. I'm thankful for a congregation that is more than willing to help when asked.

Whether it's the Salad Luncheon, Red Brick Learning, Funeral/Memorial Meals or Whatever – people are there when needed.

Take a few moments each day to reflect on something for which you can be grateful – I truly believe it will change your outlook on life!

Blessings, and See You in Church!

Pastor Joyce <><

Remember to **Set your clocks back** an hour on November 3rd. This way you will be on time for our worship at 9:30 am and not show up an hour early for church. But if you do, stay and have a cup of coffee with Pastor Joyce.





WORSHIP SCHEDULE – Regular worship time of 9:30 am

- **4**th All Saints and Communion
- **11th** "100 Years of 11.11.11"
 - 6 pm Java & Jesus Turkey Dinner meal
- 18th Thanksgiving Sunday, Gideons will be with us

25th Christ the King Sunday, Change Shaker Collection, Decorating for Christmas

NOVEMBER 4TH AT 9:30 AM

On this coming Sunday we will be honoring all those saints who have touched our lives and gone to heaven this past year. From our church family we will remember: Jean Clift, Kathy Gilbert Erickson, Ron Bowe, Joyce M. Anderson Sr., Mary Fuller, Bob & Marilyn Anderson, Judy Schwieger, Pat Day, Esther Sandeen, and Vernon Quam. You will have the opportunity to have a loved one's name lifted up in our list of saints during the worship service.



JAVA AND JESUS - Casual worship experience & free meal

Sunday November 12

6:00 meal – Turkey Dinner

6:30 worship time – lots of music & a short message



This service is intended for members of our church, those who don't have a church home or anyone who has a need for spiritual and physical nourishment. The service is led by Dayna Hillcrest, Jere Day and Pastor Joyce. Meals provided by the Outreach Committee and members of the congregation.

DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS – SUNDAY NOVEMBER 25TH FOLLOWING WORSHIP

All who can stay and help are greatly appreciated; there are tasks for all heights and skill levels: from putting up the tree, wrapping garland around the communion rail, arranging the manger scene and hanging decorations. Please be a part of a team who helps to beautify the church for the Christmas season.





SATURDAY DECEMBER 1st from 8:30 am - 1 pm

It will be here before we know it. Extra cookies & baked goods are appreciated in light of all the folks we have lost from our membership this year.

- Start searching your cookbooks for those yummy recipes of cookies, candies, breads and other goodies.
- Set aside some jars of jelly, jam, preserves, salsa, sauce and pickles to share.
- Check your closets, attics & basements for new or gently used items for our treasures room.
- Also, if you are a crafter we will gladly accept any of your projects.
- Reminder there is an absolutely beautiful queen size quilt in red and white that will be raffled.
- Be sure to invite your friends to meet you at the Milaca United Methodist Church for a day of Christmas cheer and shopping.
- Coffee and cinnamon rolls are available in the morning and a luncheon will also be served.

TIS THE SEASON - to turn up & down the heat!

Please be sure if you turn up the heat (to no more than 68) that you also turn it down (to 58) when you leave the room or building. This helps keep our heating costs down.





6th ANNUAL VETERANS DAY PROGRAM

November 9th at 1:00 p.m.

Milaca High School Main Gym

"A day of remembrance for a lifetime of Service. Honor, Glory, Pride."

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE

NOV 21 AT 7:00 PM

Zion Lutheran Church

All in the community are invited to attend. Pastors from many of the churches in town take part. There will be refreshments served after the service.





NOV/DEC COPIES ARE AVAILABLE

The UMW encourages you to make use of this devotional from the United Methodist Church. They can be found on the counter in the gathering space, a \$1 donation to cover costs is appreciated, but not required. Regular and large print devotionals are available.

The Upper Room magazine's mission is to provide a model of practical Christianity, accessible in varied formats, to help people feel invited and welcomed into God's presence to:

Listen to scripture as God's personal message, linking their stories to God's story;

Commune with God in prayer;

See their daily choices and small acts of obedience as part of God's work;

Realize our connection through Christ as a universal family of believers;

Encounter the living Christ and be transformed into Christ's likeness.

From the United Methodist Women

Another month has passed and it has been a very busy one for us. We didn't meet this month because of all the things we had going on.

Joyce S., Peggy C. and myself went to Hastings on October 5th and 6th for the Fall

Annual Gathering. It was a very small number of ladies that attended. It was the election

of officers and installation of them in the afternoon. The budget for next year was also voted on.

Tuesday, October 9th we served our monthly Women's Connection Brunch. We had a new recipe for sausage and biscuit casserole and it was a big hit. There were 55 ladies served.

Marilyn Anderson's memorial service was held at the Elim Chapel on October 11th at 1:30. A group of us attended the service for Marilyn.

Saturday, October 20th we served the lunch after Pat Day's memorial service. It was a very large family and we served 148 people.

The Salad Bar Luncheon was the 3rd of October and we had another successful day. There were a lot of people that attended and we think approximately 125 tickets were sold. That includes the take outs. Thanks everyone for your help and donations.



We had another funeral on Friday, October 26th for Esther Sanden. It was a small family with only 50 served. Esther was a long time member of the church. Needless to say it was busy for us.

My deepest sympathies to all their families in their loss.

We will be having our November meeting on Thursday the 15th at 1:00 p.m. We will go to the dining site for lunch at 11:30. It is election of officers and will be getting the 2019 dates on the calendar, also.

Have a nice Thanksgiving with family. See you in church.

Audrey



A thank you card was received from Joni Bowers and the rest of the family of Marilyn Anderson;

Your kind expression of sympathy And friendship will Always remain in our memories. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.



Nov 3	10:15	Feed My Starving Children – meal packing
Nov 4	9:30	All Saints Sunday worship
Nov 6		Election Day – Exercise Your Right To Vote
	11:00	Surprise the World Book Study Lesson 6
	6:30	Surprise the World Book Study Lesson 5
Nov 7	12:00	Pastor Appreciation meal at Elim Home
	3:00	Red Brick Learning & Youth Group
Nov 8	6:30	Church Council
Nov 9	1:00	Veterans Day Program at the High School
Nov 11	9:30	Worship
	6:00	Java & Jesus worship & meal – Turkey Dinner
Nov 13	11:00	Surprise the World Book Study Lesson 7
	6:30	Surprise the World Book Study Lesson 6
Nov 14	3:00	Red Brick Learning & Youth Group
Nov 15	1:00	United Methodist Women Meeting
Nov 18	9:30	Worship – Gideons will be with us
Nov 20	6:30	Surprise the World Book Study Lesson 7
Nov 21		NO Red Brick Learning & Youth Group
	7:00	Community Thanksgiving Eve Service @ Zion Lutheran
Nov 25	9:30	Christ the King Sunday, Decorating for Christmas
		Change Shaker Collection



Birthdays:

3- Melissa Gubrud

23– Ralph Koecher

- 5- Mary Patten
- 11– Bruce Cochran
- 11– Corky Webb
- 22- Chet Bergstrom
- 24– Nicole Alley
 - 24—Betty Anderson
 - 26– Peter Slostad



Anniversaries: No Anniversaries for November