

ANNOUNCEMENTS 12/28/25

BABER FREE HOT LUNCH: December 27th. Volunteers arrive at 10:15 and are done by 1:00. Contact Wendi wendi.latko@gmail.com or Wendy wlesko88@gmail.com to volunteer.

CHRISTMAS fund: Donations to the Christmas Fund will be received thru Jan. 11.

FREE COMMUNITY SUNDAY SUPPER- January 11th 4:30-5:30. Everyone is welcome. The menu is ... Shepherd's Pie. Contact Wendy wlesko88@gmail.com if you'd like to volunteer!

ACTIVE THREAT TRAINING: Sunday January 18th at 11:30. The event is free of charge and open to all, but please **contact the office to reserve a spot** so that we can adequately plan for this session.

THE CURRENT: January 25th at 10:00. Youth led worship experience. Theme: Seeds in the Snow: The Parable of the Mustard Seed. January can feel cold, slow, or "blah," like nothing is growing. But Jesus reminds us that God does some of the most important work when no one can see it yet. Winter is not wasted time, it's underground time, root time, quiet growth time, seed time. Just like the mustard seed is tiny but mighty, so are the small acts of hope, kindness, and courage we plant every day. Seeds don't look powerful. But they change every

WINE & CHEESE: January 26th at 6:30. Everyone is welcome. It's optional to bring a snack or drink to share. Come as you are.

BLANKET THE WORLD IN LOVE: Winter Outreach program kickoff on February 1st in support of Church World Service Blanket program.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING: FEBRUARY 8th. Purchase homemade soup after worship. All proceeds support outreach projects for the kids and families at Family Promise. Preorders (prepay) taken on Sundays in January.

ONGOING

MEDITATION GROUP- Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. in the back of the Sanctuary. All are welcome!

HOT TOPICS: The "Hot Topics" discussion group will be meeting in January on the first and third Tuesdays of the month - January 6 and 20 - at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. We will continue our conversation about socialism, focusing on income and wealth inequalities. All are welcome to participate. For more information, or to be added to the e-mail list, contact richard_kendrick@verizon.net.

The Nurture Team: is a group of caring individuals who express the love of God through their Ministry of Care. They hope to walk with those in need of company or pray. They liaison with the pastor if a pastoral visit is desired. If you have a concern or need of prayer or if you know someone who does, please put a note in the offering plate.

THE FINANCE TEAM wants you to know who they are: Judy Short is Treasurer; Konrad Emmert and Norm Short - Financial Stewardship (i.e. pledging); Tom Hopkins, Rich Ashley and Dave Kohler - Investments. As we move into pledging season, please feel free to approach any one of these folks with your questions.

PRAYER SHAWL: This group does not formally meet. It is anyone who wants to knit or crochet prayer shawls to be given to people in need of comfort and/or dish cloths for outreach grocery bags given to people in need. Contact Wendy wlesko88@gmail.com

INFORMATION FOR THE NEWSLETTER should be directed to Wendy Lesko wlesko88@gmail.com by the 25th of the month

ANNOUNCEMENTS EMAIL LIST If you'd like to receive email notifications from church, you can join our email list. There's a link on the church website under "Connect with Us". <https://uccwebster.org/connect-with-us/> Enter your email address and hit "subscribe."

NAME TAGS – If you need a nametag, please email Carole Kohler at carolekohler1192@gmail.com with the first and last names of your family members or sign up in the narthex.

FLOWERS for the communion table – sign-up in the hallway. One arrangement per Sunday. You can bring your own flower arrangement or pay for the florist to deliver one. Please pay in advance. Leave payment in church office or give to Heather Himes.

CLOTHING & SMALL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS Please place the items in the 2 bins located in the hall near the West Entrance. Items are distributed to Cameron Community, Matthew's Closet, or Saints Place. Thank You!

THE ROCKERS This is a group of the mature men from our congregation that meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday each month at 8:30am at The Nutcracker Restaurant

COFFEE HOUR Volunteers are needed to sign up to coordinate a week (make the coffee, provide a treat). If you are interested, please contact Heidi Zastowny (heidizastowny@gmail.com; (585) 314-0678) or Diane Cannarozzo (dcannaro@gmail.com).

IN THE COMMUNITY

Social justice and anti-poverty activist, Rev. Dr. William J. Barber II, will be speaking on Thursday, January 29 at 5:30 p.m. at the University of Rochester's Martin Luther King, Jr. commemoration. The event is free and open to the public, but you need to register. For more information and to register, visit this Web site:

<https://www.rochester.edu/oe/martin-luther-king-jr-commemorative-address/>