

# The MESSENGER

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Sunday Worship at 10:00 am

*News from Around the Congregation*

Mio United Methodist Church

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Begin  
the  
Year  
with



*“Behold all things are new.”*

**AD COUNCIL** was cancelled in December.  
The next meeting is Thursday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at  
6:00 pm.

**FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER:** All items are to  
be to Marlene by January 26<sup>th</sup>. The newsletter  
will be printed and distributed on January 27<sup>th</sup>.

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**DIRECT \$\$\$** now stands at \$139,000.00.  
Please continue to bring in your Family Fare  
receipts. You must use the Glens/Family Fare  
card and the receipt must be complete.

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## Prayer Concerns

Prayer Concerns have been modified to start the  
new year. If you want someone put back on that  
has been taken off, please see Marlene.

**Please help keep all prayer concerns up to  
date.**

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"Who will take over when God's old enough  
to retire?"

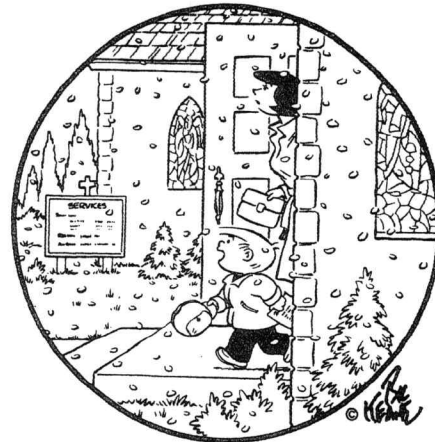
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## Love INC. Blurb

Happy New Year from Love INC! Thank you for  
helping meet last year's needs. We are still looking  
for someone to take over snowplowing if and when  
Doyle's truck gives out. Volunteers have been  
meeting at The Bridge, our new ministry building in  
Fairview, every Tuesday, 9AM-Noon, to get the  
facility ready for a February open house. All are  
welcome to join the fun! Fairview Area Schools  
have an immediate need for kindergarten through  
second grade (size 5-8) pants, shirts, and underwear  
for little boys and girls; first grade size snow boots  
and pants; and teen girls' underwear. We also have  
a neighbor in need of a propane oven/stove for her  
home. Thanks for meeting these needs as you are  
able!

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## FAMILY CIRCUS



"Behold! It snoweth!"

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Here at Mio UMC we've been incredibly blessed to help those in need in our area and beyond. Thanks be to God that we've been so blessed to give so generously.

In December we were privileged to purchase gifts for members of six local families. I know you too, were blessed to help these families as much as they were to receive them. We had a total of 27 adults and children this year for the Adopt a Family Christmas gift program. Each family was given a Family Fare gift card worth \$30 per person in the family. Pray for these families to be able to get back on their feet and be able to help others in need in the future.

On January 8<sup>th</sup> our mission's committee will meet and in conjunction with that meeting we invite all the congregation to join us as we look at the options and opportunities to give in 2023. Please look at the display in fellowship hall before and/or after church. Please help this small committee to make decisions for how best to share the generous offerings being given for missions. Members of the Mission's Committee are Barb Butler, Dawn and Glenn Hall and Bob and Susan Hegel.

#### Mission Budget for 2022

January	UMCOR (Ukraine Refugee help)	\$1802
	Samaritan's Purse (Ukraine Refugee)	325
February	Henderson Settlement	325.
March	Camp Michigamme	265.
April	Randy Hildebrandt	289.
May	The Noah Project	180.
June	Jeremie Rising (Haiti)	195.
July	Anchor House (Lake Superior St. Univ.)	302.
August	Midwest Mission Distr. Center	180.
September	Rafiki Foundation (Soup & Pie proceeds)	920.
October	UMCOR (Hurricane Relief)	276.
November	Operation Christmas Child (23 Shoe Boxes sent)	
	Gifts plus donated \$230 shipping fee	230.
December	Adopt a Family (purchases for unsponsored tickets)	227
	Family Fare Gift Cards (\$30 per 27 family members)	<u>810.</u>
Total Expenditures		\$6326

In addition to these donations listed above, there were those given to our local area ministries from the Mabel Hager Fund. We are extremely grateful for this source of money that adds to the outreach to our own community. These include:

His Love Family Resources	\$500.
Love In the Name of Christ	500.
Lydia's Gate	500.
St. Bartholomew Food Pantry (now out of Tri Point Church)	<u>500.</u>
	\$2000

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

6 – Jane Lord  
12 – Brandon Burzlaff  
24 – Bill Kusey  
25 – Dick Lord  
29 – Sue Kowaleski

## JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

NONE

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## DECEMBER LECTIONARY

### Week of January 1

Isaiah 60:1-6  
Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

### Week of January 8

Isaiah 42:1-9  
Psalm 29  
Acts 10:34-43

### Week of January 15

Isaiah 49:1-7  
Psalm 40:1-11  
1 Corinthians 1:1-9  
John 1:29-42

### Week of January 22

Isaiah 9:1-4  
Psalm 27:1, 4-9  
1 Corinthians 1:10-18  
Matthew 4:12-23

### Week of January 29

Micah 6:1-8  
Psalm 15  
1 Corinthians 1:18-31  
Matthew 5:1-12

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## PRAYER CONCERNS

Corinna Anderson  
Gary Frazho  
Gene Schneider

## SHUT-INS

*At The Brook – Grayling*  
Marge Bryant  
Jane Lord

*At Fairview*  
Esther Socia  
Irene Miller

## MILITARY

All Armed Forces  
Corey Brown  
Whitney Kann  
Marshall Socia

*All names were removed at the end of December. A new list has been started.*

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## PROMISE YOURSELF FOR THE NEW YEAR

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

To make all your friends feel that there is something special about them.

To look at the sunny side of everything, and make your optimism come true.

To think only of the best, to work only for the best, and to make the best come true.

To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.

To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.

To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile.

To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.

To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.

---The First United Methodist Church  
Unland, CA

# January 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10:00 AM Worship	2	3	4	5	6	
8 10:00 AM Worship 11:15 AM Unhanging of Greens 11:15 AM Missions Team 11:15 AM Trustees	9	10	11	12 6:00 PM Ad Council	13	
15 10:00 AM Worship 11:15 AM UMM	16 1:00 PM UWF (UMW)	17	18 1:00 PM Prayer Bears	19	20	
22 10:00 AM Worship	23	24	25 9:00 AM Happy Crafters	26 9:00 AM Happy Crafters	27 9:00 AM Happy Crafters	
29 10:00 AM Worship	30	31				