

THIS WEEKS REMINDERS

- ♦ Boy Scout Troop Meeting today at 6:30—8 p.m.—Grace Hall
- ♦ “Old Testament Survey” today at 6:30 p.m.—Wesley/Zoom
- ♦ Monday Night Disciple on Monday at 6 p.m.—Zoom
- ♦ Faith for Today Group on Monday at 7 p.m.—Miriam
- ♦ Finance Committee Meeting on Monday at 7 p.m.—Zoom
- ♦ CARE Team Meeting on Monday at 7 p.m.—Zoom
- ♦ No Tuesday Movie Night Group on Tuesday
- ♦ “Early Risers” Men’s Book Club on Wednesday at 7 a.m.—Wesley
- ♦ No Choir Practice on Wednesday
- ♦ No Praise Band Practice on Wednesday
- ♦ No Women’s Book Club until January 4, 2024
- ♦ No Men’s Coffee Group on Thursday
- ♦ No Conversations Uncorked on Thursday
- ♦ Men’s Breakfast Group on Saturday at 8 a.m.—Crossroads Dinor
- ♦ No Youth Sunday School on Sunday, November 26th
- ♦ *The Church office will be closed Monday, Nov. 20th, Thursday, Nov. 23rd and Friday, Nov. 24th. It will reopen on Monday, Nov. 27th.*

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EDINBORO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Ed Schoeneck

Last Sunday after Pentecost

November 19, 2023

**denotes standing as able*

We Gather in Praise

GATHERING

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Flames of the Spirit, Ruth Duck) *Linda Felker*

Leader: And God created the heavens and the earth.

People: And gave them to us to use and enjoy.

Leader: And God breathed life into each of us, and set us upon the earth.

People: And God sent Jesus Christ to save us from the pull of death.

Leader: Everything that fills our souls with gladness and light is a gift from the loving Creator.

People: We have been entrusted with unfathomable riches. For all this our God is to be praised. Let us worship God together!

*HYMN "Blessed Be Your Name" 3002

*OPENING PRAYER (Flames of the Spirit, Ruth Duck) *Linda Felker*

O God, for the sun and the stars, the mountains and the valleys, we your children come to you offering our thanks and seeking your presence. Be among us, opening our hearts to the sway of your power and your peace. We dedicate this service to you. We trust that you will work through our songs and our sayings so that we will leave this place knowing your hand has touched us. Amen

*RESPONSE Gloria Patri/Glorify Thy Name

We Receive the Word

SCRIPTURE READING **Philippians 4: 1-9 (NRSV)** *Linda Felker*

HYMN "Sanctuary" 2164

CHILDREN'S TIME *Tyler Volk*

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RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (See insert)

SCRIPTURE READING **Joel 2: 23-29 (NRSV)**

Pastor Ed

REFLECTION **"A Reason to Be Thankful"**

Pastor Ed

We Respond to the Word

HYMN OF RESPONSE "We Gather Together" 131

SHARING OF PRAYER CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We Go Forth to Serve

*HYMN "Lord, Be Glorified" 2150

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

***Please join us after worship in the Narthex
for a cake reception celebrating our new members***

Announcements:

- Book orders are in and pickups for Adult Sunday School Advent study (\$13 each) and for Advent study led by Ed Schoeneck (\$14 each) can be made in the church office.
- Help is needed after worship today to take down and stack the wooden chairs in Grace Hall.
- Help is also needed for delivery of our new chairs for Grace Hall on Monday, Nov. 20th. Our delivery window is 10 a.m.—2 p.m. If you are available, please see Debbie Zahler today.

Are you a visitor to our church? If you answer this question with a yes – **Welcome! We are happy you are here!**
Please complete the blue Visitor card in the pew and place it in the offering plate.

Volunteers needed

**HELPERS NEEDED FOR THE SUNDAY
SCHOOL CLASSES.**

**NO TEACHING! JUST ANOTHER
PERSON TO HELP DURING CLASS!**

**CLEARANCES WILL BE NEEDED FOR SAFE SANCTUARIES
(CHURCH WILL COVER COST)**



Sign up in the Narthex or
contact the church office.



JOIN US FOR THANKSGIVING DINNER

NOVEMBER 23RD

We will have a turkey with all the fixings for anyone that needs a place for dinner. Contact Mike for more details.

MIKE & DIANA CORNER

814-397-0580



LINGER LONGER LUNCHEONS



**Sign up your group now to be a
Luncheon Host in 2024**

Decorating Church for Christmas

**Join us
Saturday, December 2nd at 9 a.m.**

**HELPERS NEEDED
ALL AGES WELCOME
SANCTUARY, NARTHEX AND
GRACE HALL NEED TO BE
DECORATED**



Advent Study

Prepare the Way for the Lord by Adam Hamilton

Taught by Pastor Ed

Offered two times each week:

Sunday Evenings by Zoom at 7 p.m.
(starting Nov. 26th - ending Dec. 17th)

Wednesday Mornings in Person at 10:30 a.m.
(starting Nov. 29th - ending Dec. 20th)



For centuries, Christians have turned to the story and message of John the Baptist in the weeks leading up to Christmas. In *Prepare the Way for the Lord: Advent and the Message of John the Baptist*, best-selling author and pastor Adam Hamilton explores the Advent themes of John's life and ministry, and how John calls all followers of Jesus to prepare our hearts for his coming.

Chapter topics include: 1. A People Prepared for the Lord 2. God Is Gracious 3. The Fruit of Repentance 4. Witnesses Testifying to the Light .

Sign ups are being done now in the Narthex. Please indicate if you would like a book ordered for you. The cost is \$14.

Electronic Giving Platform

EUMC has an electronic giving platform. For those who would like to bless EUMC with their financial gifts electronically. The Q-Code to the right when scanned will take you directly to our electronic giving site.

Please call the church office with any questions 814-734-3182.



**KIWANIS CLUB OF
EDINBORO**

Christmas TOY DRIVE

Please Give a Little Joy to Our Local Children

Accepting Donations Through
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3RD

Gift tags will be available on the EUMC gift tag tree starting Sunday, November 12th. Gifts should be placed in gift bags, unwrapped and back to the church on or before Sunday, December 3rd.

For more information contact Meg Gould

Teaching the Teacher: Facilitating Anti-Racism Discussions Class

Rev. Debra Mason will provide pertinent teaching and facilitation skills for anti-racism discussions. *Only those interested in providing facilitation/teaching in anti-racism discussions should attend.*

Friday, Dec. 1, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.—5 p.m. at Edinboro UMC
To register contact the Erie-Meadville District Office

Sacrament of Baptism and Reception of New Members

Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy Church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

Through reaffirmation of our faith, we renew the covenant declared at our baptism, acknowledge what God is doing for us, and affirm our commitment to Christ's holy church

Questions of Professing Faith - Jerra Jenrette

On behalf of the whole church, I ask you: Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?

I do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

I do.

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations and races?

I do.

According to the grace given to you, will you remain faithful members of Christ's holy church and serve as Christ's representatives in the world?

I will.

For Adriana's parents and sponsors: - Pastor Ed

Will you nurture **Adriana** in Christ's Holy Church, that by your teaching and example she may be guided to accept God's grace for herself, to profess her faith openly, and to lead a Christian life?

Baptism

Thanksgiving over Water

Baptisms

Leader: The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ.

Questions of Membership - John Layden

As members of Christ's universal church, will you be loyal to The United Methodist Church, and do all in your power to strengthen its ministries?

I will.

As members of this congregation, will you faithfully participate in its ministries by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness?

I will!

Questions for the church: John Layden

Do you, as Christ's body, the church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We Do!

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these persons before you in your care?

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

Commendation: Jerra Jenrette

Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and welcome you in Christian love.

As members together with you in the body of Christ and this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

Benediction Pastor Ed

The God of all grace, who has called us to eternal glory in Christ, establish you and strengthen you by the power of the Holy Spirit that you may live in grace and peace. Amen.