

Fellowship Lantern

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Walking in the Light

John 1:1-5

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴ in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

FUMC Wayne-Westland was called to corporate prayer from JANUARY 7TH through FEBRUARY 1ST to enable us to walk in the Light. We have been praying daily at 12:00 noon for our church, for God to eradicate darkness from the world, and for God to reveal areas of our lives that need to be changed. Please continue to pray at noon until the Lenten season.

After the Light illumines our areas of need, we will fast during Lent for God to complete the work that needs to be done within each of us. Literature will be provided to explain ways to fast that will not adversely impact our health, if needed.

This daily prayer time is for everyone who is a child of God, recognizes that there is room for a deeper relationship, and desires more Light in our lives; and it is not too late to start. When we have prayed and see God's revelation of ourselves, we will have some things on which to focus during the Lenten season.

Then, we can truly say that **"We walk in the LIGHT!" Amen!**

May God Continue to Bless and Keep You in the New Year!

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FAMILY OF GOD

So in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. Romans 12:5

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

Love never fails. 1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Colossians 3:15

Thirty years ago I became seriously ill. Everything I ate went right through me. I lost 20 pounds in just a few days. I was put through test after test at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn, without finding the problem. Finally, a specialist did a liver biopsy and found out my liver was malfunctioning. He said to me "Now it's the waiting game." And I responded, what do you mean I can't live without a liver. I went back to my family doctor and he was very upset and within an hour had an appointment for me with a specialist at U of M hospital in Ann Arbor. I was put through the same kind of tests that I had at Oakwood. I was never treated for the problem because they didn't know the cause. As time went on my body healed and the blood tests showed normal. The specialist called to give me the results and release me back to my family doctor. I was not home so my wife, Judy, took the call. The doctor said to her, "your husband is a very lucky man for his body to heal on its own." The purpose of the story is to point out the doctor was wrong. My body did not heal on its own, I was not alone I had a praying loving church family, lifting me up to a loving caring God. I very definitely felt that support.

As I lost my beloved wife Anita that same loving support has been overwhelming and is a testimony to the special person she was. I want to thank you all for being there for me and the Smith/Miller families.

THE CHURCH IS NOT A PLACE YOU GO TO IT'S A FAMILY YOU BELONG TO!

God loves you and so do I! Red Miller

February's Mission

Fresh Air Homes – Savannah, GA

The Fresh Air Home first opened in July 1897, in Savannah, GA. There were eight members who were at the first meeting of the Froebel Circle, a branch of the International Order of the King's Daughters & Sons. The Circle today has more than fifty members and 16 committees. The desire has always been to increase the health and happiness of underprivileged children.

The Circle's motto was Matthew 25:40 "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

The first year fifty children were taken in six children per week. Today the Home is open for eight weeks in the summer. Each child spends ten days in the home enjoying the ocean, salt air and the beach. The maximum capacity is 90 children.

Each child is given clothing, bedding and all their other needs for their stay at the Home. Food, games, crafts, music, Bible stories and field trips all with the purpose of improving the children's health, building character, and helping them grow into better men and women – both physically and morally.

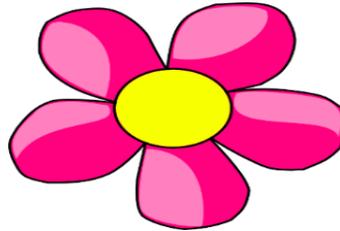
The present home is composed of five red brick units— dining room for 100 children, the Staff Cottage; the Hospital Building now used as a nursery for children for and five years of age' the Nina Anderson Pape Cottage; and Anna's cottage.





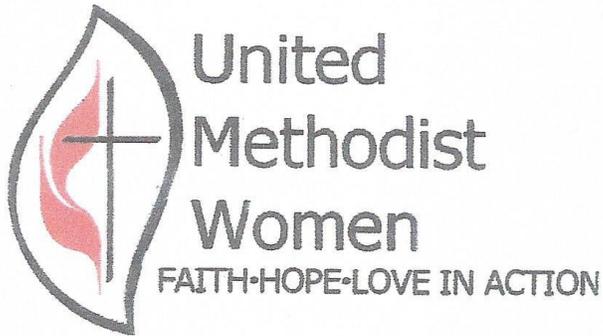
PLEASE SIGN UP FOR COFFEE HOUR

February 2, 2020 OPEN
February 9, 2020 Chuck Lee
February 16, 2020 Rob & Evelyn Clark
 Celebrating Jonathan's Birthday
February 23, 2020 OPEN



ALTAR FLOWERS

February 2, 2020 Gale Wilbur & George Kirilanoff
February 9, 2020 Chuck Lee
February 16, 2020 OPEN
February 23, 2020 Lenora Krieger



Officers for January – December 2020

President – Carole Simons	Vice President – Ginger Cook
Secretary – Michelle Hyde	Treasurer – Gale Wilber
Spiritual Growth – Tonia Szabo	Education Interpretation – Janice Prodger
Cards & Calls – Shirleen Curtis	Membership Nurture and Outreach - Open
Nominating – Gale Wilber – Lois Mathe – Ginger Cook	

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING –

WEDNESDAY February 5, 2020 – 6:30 PM – in the Parlor

FAITH CIRCLE

Next meeting is Thursday –February 13, 2020 at 1:00 PM – in the Parlor

Program – Janice Prodger

Refreshments – Lois Mathe

All women are invited

HEAVENLY CIRCLE – This is our E-Mail Circle

Please contact Kim McCain

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FUTURE EVENTS:

February 8, 2020 (Saturday) – Annual UMW Prayer Breakfast – 9:00 am to Noon

Redford Aldersgate United Methodist Church



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS:

FEBRUARY 9th	Betty Piazza
FEBRUARY 10th	Hwa Stacy
FEBRUARY 17th	Abigail Jackson
FEBRUARY 18th	Jonathan Blanchard
	Mary Frances Lange
FEBRUARY 21st	Harold Smith
	Terry Speakman
FEBRUARY 23rd	Larry Nitzel
FEBRUARY 27th	Lenora Krieger



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FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES:

FEBRUARY 9th	Paul & Kathyne Jahn
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Tuesday Office Help: 1st
2nd
3rd
4th

February 2020

OFFERING COUNTERS:
1st Schoonovers
2nd Owulette Farmer
3rd Cooks
Wilbur Mathe
4th
5th

LAY READER: Carole Simons
USHERS: Lois Mathe
Linda Owulette

Mission Focus for Month: FRESH AIR HOMES - Savannah, GA

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Mission Statement

We are the Congregation of First United Methodist Church of Wayne-Westland and are a committed, loving, Christian community of Jesus Christ, in ministry, witnessing to the love of God as experienced in our lives, and expressed by: worship together, Christian nurture, education evangelism, Christian fellowship and support of one another, invitation to others to share our faith, social awareness, involvement and support of worldwide Methodism. Our witness embraces all people.



SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 10:00 A.M.
ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:00 A.M.
CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 A.M.

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