

Sewickley United Methodist Church

November 2021 Newsletter

From The Pastor's Heart

On Thanksgiving Day you can find about 40 of us gathered in my Aunt's farmhouse about to demolish the thanksgiving meal laid out in front of us buffet style. But first...prayer. This is the most chaotic part of the whole night. Trying to gather the 40 of us, including small, hungry, and antsy children into one space to hold hands and to pray is a miracle within itself. Typically, my dad is the one to offer the prayer. Not only is he long-winded, but he always insists on us going around the circle and naming something we are thankful for. When he really wants to punish us, we have to go around twice. Meanwhile the smell of the food is teasing us and a stomach growl or two can be heard throughout the entire house. The truth is, the time of thanksgiving is our favorite part of the night. We cannot make it even halfway around the circle once before the tears are flowing and the laughter is rolling. As we stand before each other it is nearly impossible to not be overcome with emotions and a deep sense of gratitude.

Psalm 100 says this, ¹Shout with joy to the LORD, all the earth! ²Worship the LORD with gladness. Come before him, singing with joy. ³Acknowledge that the LORD is God! He made us, and we are his. We are his people, the sheep of his pasture. ⁴Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise. Give thanks to him and praise his name. ⁵For the LORD is good. His unfailing love continues forever, and his faithfulness continues to each generation.

During the month of November I offer you this challenge: Enter into the presence of the Lord and give thanks. You can enter into God's presence by simply thinking about God. You can enter into God's presence by reading the Bible. You can enter into God's presence by listening to any music that moves your body and soul. You can enter into God's presence by simply just being and acknowledging that God simply is, too. When you are there, I challenge you to thank God for something. Maybe you are there and are standing at attention and are prepared with a list of thanksgiving. Maybe you are there and are rolling around on the floor kicking and screaming and finding it difficult to think of one thing you are thankful for. Maybe you are somewhere in between. These are all acceptable places to be. Whichever one is you, in your Spirit right now, just put yourself in the presence of God and give thanks. These two powerful acts combined, when done daily, are guaranteed to shift your heart to focus on what is good and to set you free from that which has threatened to steal your joy.

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gates ^{psalm 100:4}
thanksgiving,
& ^{into} his
with courts
PRAISE:

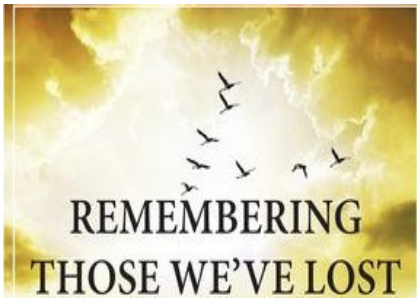
I give thanks today for you. I give thanks for the conversations we have had. I give thanks for the permission you have given me to be in the most sacred parts of your life. I give thanks for the worship we have when we are together. I give thanks for the Spirit of hospitality that is present at this church even when no one else is. I give thanks that God has allowed my family and me to move to Sewickley. I give thanks that God allows me to serve you. And I give thanks for my cool new pair of shoes!

Enter God's presence and give thanks!

From one light to another,

Hannah M. Loughman
Pastor Hannah Loughman

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY — NOVEMBER 7TH



During both worship services we will recognize the saints who have passed from among us. We invite you to send in a picture with the name of someone you would like to honor who has passed since November 2019. The loved ones we remember do not have to be members of this congregation. For those loved ones who were remembered during last year's virtual service, we will remember them during this service as well and the office already has the names and photos. As of the publishing of this newsletter, below is a list of the saints we will remember.

Everyone is invited to a meal after the 11 am service. Nurture will provide the main dish, desserts, and beverages. Please bring a side dish for the table.

Rose Opalka Barlow
 Jon Wayne Barrack
 Martin Ernest Benjamin
 Stanley Richard "Stan" Bowe
 Brenda J. Brown
 Carl M. Burrows
 Helen Petroff Canney
 Jerry D. Canney
 Paul Robert Collier
 Michele S. Choisy

Nancy Zarra Kramer Conti
 Kenneth Alan Cunnard
 James Milton "Jim" Fisher
 William A. "Bill" Gittins
 Johnetta Gunnison-Odom
 Gerald Carl "Jerry" Hagadorn
 Melba Jean (Giralico) Kipilo
 Dixie J. Lemasters
 Dr. E. Leon Linger
 Matthew M. "Matt" McTighe
 Janet Cutter Mahoney

James Edward "Jim" Opalka
 Edith A. Riker
 Douglas E. "Doug" Rummens
 Edward B. "Ed" Sawhill
 Joshua Henry Shields
 Rev. Dr. Paul D. Taylor
 Eva Mae Wallace
 Ryan Wayne Wilfong
 Dorothy H "Dottie" Wood
 Barry Robert Yant



On November 16th, at 7 pm, we will host an in-person Church Conference in the sanctuary. All members are invited to attend and are extended the privilege to vote. During this meeting we will vote on important church conference actions that aid in the ministry of the church and receive updates as to the state of the church. For more detailed information please stop by the office or call and ask for a church conference agenda. This is a wonderful opportunity to see the way in which the Spirit of God functions in the "business" of the institutional church.

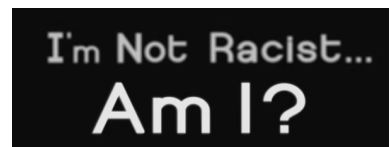
"But I'm Not Racist... Am I?"

Come join us for a 4-session video & discussion series at SUMC.

Together, in a safe environment, we'll broaden our understanding of what racism is and how it affects all of our lives. We'll examine the ins & outs of white privilege: what it is, where it comes from, and who benefits from it. Along the way, we'll explore some practices each of us can incorporate into our own lives, steps that can help us become better anti-racists. All are welcome! For planning purposes, please let us know if you plan to attend [here](#) or let the office know.

4 Tuesday evenings at 7 pm in the Simpson Room: November 9, 23 & 30, and December 7

Facilitators: Susie Moffett & Rev. Marilyn Evans





Worship Opportunities - November 2021

Contemporary Worship Service: 9 am
 Traditional Worship Service: 11 am
 Our Worship Services are live streamed on
sewickleyumc.org and [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com).
 The recorded services are also available later on Sunday afternoon.

November 7, 2021
All Saints' Sunday
Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Communion

Liturgist: Martha Boward
Message: "Jesus Cries"

Scripture Lessons: Matthew 1:18-24,
 John 11 and Luke 19:41-44

In his depth of love for us, Jesus cries; in his anger over our lack of understanding, Jesus cries; in his compassion over our pain, Jesus cries. He may be the author of life, which means he knows how it ends, (and it's a good one), but he still feels all the feelings along the way. Don't ever apologize for crying. Jesus cried too.

November 14, 2021
Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Handbell Choir (11 am)

Liturgist: Carole Ford
Message: "Jesus Got Angry"

Scripture Lessons: Matthew 1:18-24 and Mark 11:15-18

We like it when we hear Jesus got angry. Truthfully, it makes us feel better about ourselves. Anger drives a lot of our lives and also drives a lot of people out of our lives. Anger can be good, but the reason matters. Jesus' anger wasn't a self-righteous anger, it was a righteous one.

November 21, 2021
Reign of Christ Sunday
Liturgist: Ron Smith

Message: "Jesus Laughed, Lounged and Lived"

Scripture Lessons: Matthew 1:18-24,
 Mark 10:13-16 and Matthew 9:10

We never see the exact phrase "Jesus laughed," but one could hardly refer to the faith of children without laughter; one could not sit around a table with a few rough people without being graced by a joke. Most of Jesus' ministry was centered on food and fellowship. Jesus was serious about his purpose but laughed with ease because he knew the end. All those with great faith in the truths of Christ will laugh, lounge and live!

November 28, 2021
First Sunday of Advent
United Methodist Student Day

Liturgist: Martha Boward
Message: "Down to Earth Love"

Scripture Lessons: Luke 1:26-38 and Philippians 2:1-2

ADVENT SERMON SERIES

Join us each Sunday in Advent as we Journey to Jesus. Christmas has many ageless lessons that we can learn over and over again. This Christmas season we will be using Mike Slaughter's "Down to Earth" study to help guide the important lessons this season has to teach us.

Sunday November 28: **Down to Earth Love**
 Luke 1:26-38 and Philippians 2:1-2

Sunday December 12: **Down to Earth Lifestyle**
 Matthew 1:18-25 and John 13:12-14

Sunday December 5: **Down to Earth Humility**
 Luke 2:5-25 and Philippians 2:5-8

Sunday December 19: **Down to Earth Obedience**
 Luke 2:8-20 and Philippians 2:12-13

Sewickley United Methodist Church—Financial Summary through September 2021



	2021 Budget	Budgeted to Date	Through September	Over or (Under) Budget
TOTAL EXPENSES	268,982.53	207,691.56	21,138.58	(8,265.15)
TOTAL RECEIPTS	244,090.00	170,255.00	20,586.01	18,318.56
OVERAGE (DEFICIT)	(24,892.53)	(37,436.56)	(552.57)	



ANNUAL COOKIE WALK — The Nurture Committee’s annual Cookie Walk will be held on Saturday, November 20, 9 - 11 am, in the Simpson Room. Please consider contributing as many and as much of a variety of cookies as you can so that we can make this fundraiser a success. Let Debbie Consoli know what kinds and how many you are contributing [here](#) or on the poster is the back of the sanctuary. Debbie can be contacted at conj2@verizon.net or 412-722-9138.



Adults are invited to join the **“WATCHING FOR JESUS”** Sunday School class in the parlor at 10 am on Sundays as they watch and discuss “The Chosen,” a series about the life of Jesus Christ and His disciples.

CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS GIFTS – Looking ahead, the Outreach Committee will provide Angel Tree wish tags for children and teens who are in residential mental health treatment at the Bradley Center located in Robinson Township. (Bethany House Academy, through which SUMC has long provided holiday gifts, is still in transition.) As you plan your holiday spending, keep the Bradley Center children in mind. The minimum expenditure per child will be \$50; certainly, you may wish to coordinate with another to provide the gift. Many of the facility’s residents arrive with only the clothes they are wearing and come from extremely difficult circumstances. Tags should be available by late November – look for an Angel Tree to appear in the sanctuary.

Christmas Gift Collection



CHILDREN & TEEN NEW WINTER COATS & ACCESSORIES COLLECTION — SUMC and Church Union are coordinating to collect NEW winter coats, jackets, hats, scarves, mittens and gloves for needy children (toddlers through teens) in the Pittsburgh area. Church Union and the Pittsburgh

Police will work together to distribute the clothing to children in Northview Heights (the area served by Bethany House) during a community event on December 4th. You can participate by bringing new winter clothing to the church by **NOVEMBER 20th** or by donating funds which will be used to purchase new coats. Please keep in mind many teens wear adult sized clothing. Items may be dropped off to the church M-F from 8:30 am to 1 pm or on Sundays from 8:30 am to noon. To donate toward the purchase of additional coats, you may drop off your donation to the church or use EasyTithe through sewickleyumc.org (mark “COATS”). If you have questions or need to make other drop off arrangements, contact Martha Boward (maboward@yahoo.com) or the church office.



The Nyadire Connection (TNC), based in Pittsburgh, is a faith-based non-profit volunteer organization that seeks to support and sustain the United Methodist Mission in Nyadire, Zimbabwe. TNC is celebrating its 15th anniversary with a special event on Sunday, November 14 at 6 pm, at Dutilh UMC in Cranberry Township. Please join us for appetizers and desserts and to hear more about TNC’s future from our local leadership and special guests by video from Nyadire. Tickets are \$25 each and can be purchased at www.eventbrite.com/e/the-nyadire-connection-15th-anniversary-event-tickets-168013521967

Or, you can buy a package of 8 for \$160. For more information, or to purchase a package of tickets, please contact TNC’s Debbie Little at deborah.little0@gmail.com.

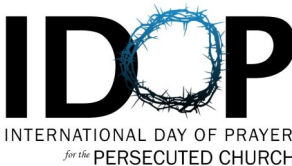
TNC was formed after a group of Pittsburgh residents visited Nyadire on a mission trip and returned with a passion to support the Mission and build lasting relationships with the people there. Working closely with local leaders at the Mission and United Methodist Church leadership in Harare, Zimbabwe, TNC provides support for 12 programs focused on three areas: Health, Orphans, and Education/Relationships. Learn more about TNC at www.Nyadire.org.



The United Methodist Women (UMW) will hold its November luncheon meeting on Sunday, November 14th in the Simpson Room after the traditional service. We will continue to bring our own lunches. Beverages and dessert will be provided. All are welcome to attend. Please join us for lunch and a short meeting.

COME DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS

Join the fun on Sunday, November 28, at noon when we decorate the church for Christmas. Plenty of jobs for children, teens, and adults. A hot lunch will be served.



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER, Sunday November 7. Please join me and other Christians around the world in prayer for our persecuted brothers and sisters. Christians in many countries experience harassment,

homelessness, imprisonment and even death simply for following Christ. Please remember them in earnest prayer on November 7th--indeed throughout the entire month of November. Thank you. Kristine Swaney 412-741-2092.



CARE PACKAGES FOR OUR COLLEGE KIDS — Once again, we are collecting any unused Halloween candy, microwave popcorn, hot chocolate mixes, and Starbucks gift cards to send to our college kids during exams.

BUT FIRST: we need your college kids' updated mailing addresses, along with their exam schedule for this year, so that we can send the care packages before their exams start. Please send addresses to fotc@sewickleyumc.org.

Since some schools are on a compressed schedule again this year, we might need to send some packages in early November. Donations can be left in the FOTC box outside the church office between now and November 14th. Monetary donations are also gratefully accepted, and we will purchase things for you.



RUMMAGE SALE FOR MISSIONS — The United Methodist Women will have their last sale of the year on Friday, November 5, 3 to 7 pm, and Saturday, November 6, 9 am to 1 pm. As always we appreciate your donations of gently used seasonal clothing, books, jewelry, puzzles, toys, household items, and small pieces of furniture. We cannot use exercise equipment, electronics, or large pieces of furniture.



YOUTH SERVICE FUND (YSF) SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 14TH

The YSF has assisted many youth programs in our Conference, our Nation, and our World. Two-thirds of the offerings received remain in WPA for distribution by the Conference Youth Ministry. Through the UMC's global YSF, UM teens raise money for other teens doing ministry in their churches and communities impacting poverty, illiteracy, absenteeism and social justice.

The YSF is a unique ministry because it is run completely by, with, and for youth. Youth contribute the money, they decide what projects receive money, and the projects supported are youth-designed, youth-led, and youth benefited. If you would like to support youth missions through this special offering, please indicate "YSF" on your gift or through EasyTithe.

UM STUDENT DAY SPECIAL GIVING – NOVEMBER 28TH

Across the country, the people of the United Methodist Church are serving the people God loves in Jesus' name. We're doing it at home, but so often we'd like to do more. We want to serve those in other places who are suffering; we want to offer spiritual words of hope and life; and we want to be well-equipped to do both!

But the reality for most of us is that our responsibilities—home, family, work—don't allow us to engage with every need we'd like to meet. Right now there are UMC young people—who might not have had the resources to attend a school of their choice, or, for some, any school at all—who've been sent by you into the world God loves because of your giving to United Methodist Student Day. When you give generously you are supporting these students as they prepare for a life that unites faith with knowledge.

Tyler Hungate, a recipient of a UM scholarship, grew up anti-Christian due to his home environment and never attended

church until 9th grade.

While attending a summer camp, Tyler accepted Christ, which changed his life completely. As Hungate prepared to attend college, his pastor recommended that he apply for the [United Methodist Student Day Sunday](#) Gift of Hope scholarship. After Tyler finishes his studies, he plans to attend seminary to become a UMC pastor. In 2020, he became a youth pastor while still attending college, helping others grow in Christ.

Your gift to the United Methodist Student Day offering supports students like Tyler Hungate who desire to be world changers. Thank you for your generous gifts. You may give to this special offering by marking your gift accordingly or select "UM Student Day" with EasyTithe.





As many of you may know, I recently started to attend classes at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in order to obtain my Master of Divinity (MDiv). At the start of the semester, I was overwhelmed at the thought of attending seminary. Was I going to be good enough? Do I have what it takes? But, God reminded me that God is in control, God is good and that as the Psalmist writes in chapter 46 verse 10, I need to be still. I don't know about you, BUT I have a REALLY hard time being still. Often times, we are everywhere and nowhere all at the same time, and slowing down is not often an action that we take without significant prompting. It often

takes something drastic to get our attention.

Over the last few weeks, I have been learning more about how I interact with God and about my own spiritual formation, taking an inventory of my own spiritual life, evaluating where I need to make some improvements. One groundbreaking idea I've heard over the last weeks is the thought that the hardest part of our spiritual lives is the idea of **letting go of the idea that we are doing the work and being receptive to what God is doing**. Rather than continuing to try to be "good enough," I need to stop, pause, and listen. I need to practice Psalm 46:10 and be still before Christ and be receptive to the things that He is doing in, around, and through me.

How about you? Are you like me- rushing from place to place, from work to school to Friday night Quaker Valley football games? I invite you in those moments of rush and panic to stop, pause, and listen. Be receptive to what God IS doing in your life. You might be amazed at what you begin to notice. Blessings, dear friends!


Mitch Hortert, Administrative Council Chair



Murch & Grace King
11/5

Van & Karen Nickell
11/25

November 7
Fall Back!
CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS—CHANGE YOUR BATTERIES!

Remember our Shut-ins

Please write to our shut-ins and keep them in your prayers. The church office can provide you with contact information.

- Sylvia Bajsec
- Mignon Emmert
- Renee Gittins
- Atleah Grubb
- Virginia Harriger
- Brad and Jan Jones
- B.J. (Elizabeth) Manzinger
- Pat Rudy
- Patricia Smith
- Shirley Sye
- Lura Zaremba

Holy Gourd! Celebrating 20 Years of Pumpkins!!



Sewickley United Methodist Church is excited to offer Pumpkin Patch ornaments celebrating our 20th anniversary of selling pumpkins. Designed by Jack Moffett and custom made by Wendell August Forge, these 3" hand-forged ornaments are unique and limited in number. The front reads "SUMC 20th anniversary pumpkin patch 2021" and the back reads "The church with time and pumpkins for you!" Each ornament comes in a box and includes a card celebrating the pumpkin patch and the creation of the ornament. Proceeds benefit the church's General Fund.

These beautiful ornaments will make wonderful Christmas gifts. Order yours now, as we are sure to sell out. Each ornament is \$20. You may pick up your ornament when Pam is in the office on Wednesdays and Fridays. Other arrangements can be made by coordinating with Lou Ann Scott or Diane Bartley. Please place your order [by clicking here](#).

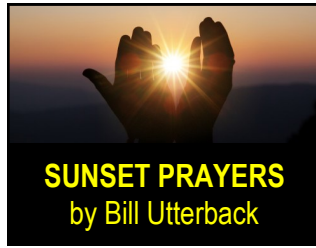
Weren't we all encouraged when our 2021 Confirmation Class planted the LGBTQA+ Progress Flag in our sanctuary in October?

The rainbow-colored flag welcomes everyone who enters our sanctuary and provides assurance that we are a family that reflects the inclusive heart of Jesus. It also prompts us, as we leave the sanctuary and step again into the challenges the world presents, to continue to reflect His Heart in every opportunity.

Were there any of us who didn't pause when we saw the name of the "discussion series" that launches November 9 in the Simpson Room: "I'm not a racist ... am I?"

As we consider the flag, and as we consider the discussion series, as we crawl out from beneath the pandemic to welcome more people and embrace more opportunities, let's re-visit the eloquent, inspiring prayer Pastor Hannah shared after the youth introduced the flag during the 9 am worship service on October 17.

On November 7, as the sun sets around 5:15 pm, from wherever you are, with whomever wants to join you, remember Hannah's prayer and see where it leads your prayer.



And, if you want to offer a prayer of thanks for the Confirmation Class (Clara, Willa, Addie and Owyn, led by Hannah and Felicity) and the facilitators of the discussion series (Susie and Rev. Marilyn), you will not be alone. We are blessed by energy, imagination and faith.

Hannah's prayer:

Almighty God, we thank you.

You have created each of us different and unique ... We have so many different experiences and when we bring them together, Oh, it is a beautiful thing.

When we love one another, it is a beautiful thing.

When we accept and value and lift up each other as your children, Lord, it is a beautiful thing.

And so, Lord, we pray and we thank you that we have the opportunity at this church to really show people their worth, and that worth ultimately comes from you.

We dedicate this flag not only to this congregation, but we dedicate it to you. Use us to be your vessels, to give life to others and show them your love.

In Jesus name we pray. Amen.



I would like to thank all the people who sent me cards after my fall. I also would like to thank Donna for the lunch she brought me one day. It is nice to know that you are thought of when you are down and out. Our church family is the best.

Blessings,
Dana

- Kandace Kramer 11/8
- Kelly Honeychurch 11/9
- Jim Rogansky 11/9
- Esmirna Matos 11/11
- Maddie Sollinger 11/13
- Sandra Lane 11/19
- Bob Jordan 11/20

NOVEMBER



- Carole Ford 11/21
- Dorothy Price 11/23
- Barry Lewis 11/25
- Van Nickell 11/26
- Dorritt Field 11/29
- Laura Kuriger 11/30
- Leo Reardon 11/30

FOOD PANTRY THANKSGIVING BAGS — DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 21ST

To help patrons of the food pantry prepare Thanksgiving dinner, Outreach is asking that you fill a grocery bag with the non-perishable items traditionally used at Thanksgiving. Please take a bag with “grocery list” attached (see display at church) – some are for small families, some for larger families. Purchase the items listed and return the filled bag to church. Thanksgiving Bags must be returned no later than November 21st, as the distribution will be on Monday, November 22nd. **Monetary donations are needed to purchase Giant Eagle gift cards so that the families may purchase perishable items.** Mark those gifts “Thanksgiving Bags” or use EasyTithe.



FOOD PANTRY THANKSGIVING BAGS GROCERY LISTS

Print out at home and attach to your own bag

THANKSGIVING BAG – SMALL FAMILY

Serves 2-4 people

All items must be non-perishable

- 2 cans vegetables
- 1 package muffin or roll mix
- 1 can fruit
- 1 package/box stuffing mix
- 1 small can pumpkin or pumpkin pie mix
- 1 can cranberry sauce
- 1 large or 2 small boxes of Jello
- 1 can evaporated milk
- 1 small can yams/sweet potatoes
- 1-2 cans or jars turkey gravy
- 1 small box instant mashed potatoes

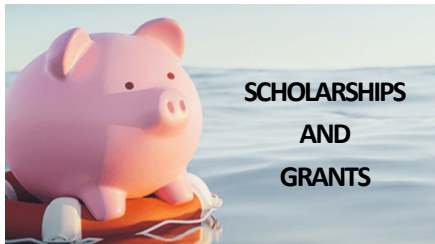
THANKSGIVING BAG – LARGE FAMILY

Serves 5-8 people

All items must be non-perishable

- 4 cans vegetables
- 2 packages muffin or roll mix
- 2 cans fruit
- 2 packages/boxes stuffing mix
- 1 large can pumpkin or pumpkin pie mix
- 2 cans cranberry sauce
- 2 large or 4 small boxes of Jello
- 2 cans evaporated milk
- 1 large can yams/sweet potatoes
- 2-3 cans or jars turkey gravy
- 1 large box instant mashed potatoes

UNITED METHODIST SCHOLARSHIPS AND STUDENT LOANS



Annually, there over 2,000 students, including a number from WPA, who receive millions of dollars in financial assistance through the UMC Office of Scholarships and Loans! Congregations and individuals provide a portion of the funding through gifts in recognition of United Methodist Student Day, World Communion Sunday, and Native American Ministries Sunday. The remaining funds for these awards come from gifts, annuities and endowments the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry (GBHEM) has invested and

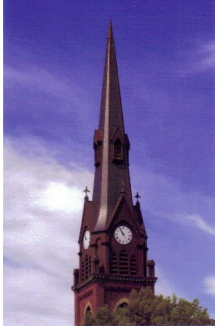
administered for decades. **These scholarships and student loans are available to students who are members of the United Methodist Church.** Student loans are available at interest rates as low as 3.75% (lower than federal educational loan rates) with a credit worthy co-signer.

Learn more about UMC scholarships and loans at www.gbhem.org/loans-and-scholarships

There are also a variety of scholarships available from WPAUMC – details at: www.wpaumc.org/scholarshipforms

**SEWICKLEY UMC HISTORY
VILLAGE CLOCK TOWER FACTS**

Information on the Clock Tower was provided by Paul Collier, former church historian



TOWER

- Built 1882-1884
- Cornerstone Laid: July 25, 1882
- Church Dedicated: June 20, 1884
- Total Cost \$45,000; \$15,000 received from Will of Rev. Charles Thorn
- Height from Ground to Top of Steeple: 172 Feet
- New Time Capsule installed 1996

- Clock and Drive on 3rd floor of tower
- Clock faces, dials, and bell on 8th floor of tower
- First converted to electric in 1919 – Modernized in 1953
- Sewickley Borough assumed maintenance responsibility of clock in 1953 – Church lacked expertise
- Steeple struck by lightning many times causing clock to stop and damage to finial
- Several small fires in tower over its long history believed to be caused by birds carrying lit cigarette stubs
- Screens added in 1953 and 1996 to lock out birds
- Fire Suppression System (sprinkler) installed 1996 – Water Deluge to top of steeple – Manually actuated
- Except for period 1950 – 1953, clock and bell have operated 24 hours a day since 1884
- Current electronic clock installed in 1996

CLOCK AND BELL

- Clock purchased: 1883 – E. Howard Clock Co. of Boston, Mass.
- One of 17 delivered to Pittsburgh churches and Public buildings in late 1800's
- Bell purchased at the same time from Clinton H. Meneely and Co., Troy, N.Y.
- Original Clock and bell striker driven by weights of total 100 and 350 lbs. respectively – Cranked once a week
- Cost of Clock & Bell in 1883 was \$1,067.63 (\$575.00 + \$492.63)
- Inscription on Bell

(One side)
 "Let Us Sing Unto the Lord"
 "Let Us Make A Joyful Noise"
 "To The Rock Of Our Salvation"
 "Psalm XCVI"

(Other Side)
 Sewickleyville Methodist
 Episcopal Church A.D. 1883

ORIGINAL CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS

- All wooden construction
- Wooden beams and buttresses act as frame for tower and steeple-main support
- Architect's fee - \$1,050
- Brick is used as "skin" for tower – not structural
- Slate is used for the roof of steeple
- No steel beams – tie rods added in 1932 for strengthening
- Cooper has replaced original wooden dormers, arches, turrets, and fascia – donated by Hussey Corp., Leetsdale, PA
- Brick kilned in Aleppo and hauled to site by horse and wagon
- Stone from Briar Hill in Maryland delivered by rail
- Tower reconstructed at cost of \$369,179.51 in 1995 – 1996



Prayer Requests

John A.
 Kim Bur-
 Family of Rose Barlow
 Hurst Bartley
 Cathy
 Bruno Crapis
 Jack Certain
 Lauren McAliley Cephus
 (Otis McAliley's daughter)
 Irene Chenot
 (Beth Zeanchock's mom)
 Joyce and Stan Dobrowski

Lauren Dooley (Rosemary Herring's cousin)
 Betty Dornetta
 Nancy Erdmann
 Family of Janet Mahoney (Dorritt Field's daughter)
 Pat Fulton
 (Scott Matthew's mom)
 Carroll Furry
 (Jenine Furry's mom)
 Jean Gionfriddo
 Dan Gittins
 June Graham (Carole Ford's sister-in-law)
 Jessica H.
 Rev. Jim Hamilton
 Doris Harris
 Jim Heffley
 Angela Helms

Gail Hiles and family
 Lois Hiles
 Ceel Janosik
 Wayne Johnson
 Brandy K.
 Lisa L.
 Daniel Lewis
 (Susie Moffett's dad)
 J.R. McFadden
 Craig McClean
 Mary Maminski
 Marian Martin
 (Liz Brown's sister)
 Tom Moog
 Tony Morgan
 (Dominic Odom's cousin)
 Jack Morrow
 Bola Nicholson
 Karen Nickell

Sandra Obeng
 Lorraine Offner
 Steve Powell
 Nancy Plum
 Jim Rogansky
 Mario Russo
 Blake S.
 Karen Shong
 C.R. & Lorraine Simpson
 Ron Smith
 Ronli Smith
 (Ron Smith's son)
 Linda Sollinger
 (Travis Sollinger's mom)
 Pam Squires
 Bill Utterback
 Rich Z.
 Dennis Zeveny

SEWICKLEY UMC LUNCHEON — DECEMBER 2

You are invited to enjoy our popular luncheons in person or as take-outs on **Thursday, December 2, 11 am - 12:30 pm** and the first Thursday of each month.

Complete [this form online](#) or return this printed form to make dining-in reservations or to order take-out meals. For questions, call the church at 412-741-9430. Reservations and take-out orders will be taken through November 21. Each meal is \$10. Tables will seat 4 - 6. Dine-in limited to 50 persons. Thank you for your continued support!!

December's Menu: Your Choice of Lasagna (Meat or Vegetable), Tossed Salad, Christmas Cookie and Roll. Dine-in also includes Beverage.



Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

e-mail: _____



MEAL SELECTION

of Meals _____ Meat Lasagna _____ Vegetable Lasagna

DINING-IN or TAKE-OUT

If dining in, time: 11 am 11:30 am 12 pm

SOUP & HUMMUS SALE FOR THE BUILDING OF FAITH

All proceeds from this sale go toward the principal on the building loan. To order, [click here for the online order form](#), call 412-741-9430 or email (secretary@sewickleyumc.org) or bring your form to the office.



Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Cash Amount: _____ or Check (made to SUMC) # _____ or EasyTithe


Choices	Indicate quantity below	
	\$9 Quart	\$6 Pint
Chicken Noodle (Chicken, Carrots, Celery, Onions, Egg Noodles, Chicken Broth, Cream, Milk, Flour and Spices)		
Beef Barley Vegetable (Beef, Onion, Celery, Tomatoes, Corn, Carrots, Peas, Green Beans, Barley, Beef Broth, and Spices)		
Sandra's Hummus (vegetarian/vegan - chickpeas, lemon juice, garlic, tahini, spices)	\$5 for ½ pint	

Orders are due by Sunday, November 21 and will be ready for pickup December 2, 3 & 5. Include payment with your order or pay when you pickup your soup or hummus. If using EasyTithe, please include the 3% transaction fee.

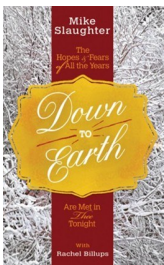
Pastor Hannah's availability: I am available Tuesday through Friday, 8:45 am to 4:45 pm. On Sundays I am available following the church service till 4 p.m. If I am not in the office, I can be reached via my cell phone. I am available after-hours on my cell phone for emergencies. My email address is open 24 hours a day and, with the exceptions of Mondays, which is my day off, I will respond in a timely manner.

Church Office: (412) 741-9430
 Pastor's Office: (412) 741-9433
 Cell Phone: (412) 294-7587
 E Mail: pastor@sewickleyumc.org
 Website: www.sewickleyumc.org

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Rummage Sale Setup 7 PM AA	2 Rummage Sale Setup 8 PM AA	3 Rummage Sale Setup 6:30 PM Leap of Faith	4 Rummage Sale Setup 11 AM - 1 PM Community Luncheon 6:15 PM Bell Choir	5 Rummage Sale Setup 3 - 7 PM Rummage Sale for Missions 6:30 PM AA	6 9 AM - 1 PM Rummage Sale for Missions
7 9 AM Contemporary Service 10 AM Watching for Jesus Adult Sunday School 11 AM Traditional Service	8 6:30 PM Finance 6:30 PM Trustees 7 PM AA 8 PM Council	9 7 PM "But I'm Not Racist... Am I?" Discussion Series 8 PM AA	10 6:30 PM Leap of Faith	11 10 AM Women of the Bible Study 10 AM—2PM Pepperoni Roll Pickup 6:15 PM Bell Choir	12 6:30 PM AA	13
14 9 AM Contemporary Service 10 AM Watching for Jesus Adult Sunday School 10:15 AM Pumpkin Patch Meeting 11 AM Traditional Service 12 PM UMW Luncheon & Meeting	15 7 PM AA	16 7 PM Annual Church Conference 8 PM AA	17 6:30 PM Leap of Faith	18 10 AM Women of the Bible Study 6:15 PM Bell Choir	19 Cookie Walk Prep 6:30 PM AA	20 9—11 AM Cookie Walk
21 9 AM Contemporary Service 10 AM Advent Study 11 AM Traditional Service	22 7 PM AA	23 7 PM "But I'm Not Racist... Am I?" Discussion Series 8 PM AA	24 6:30 PM Leap of Faith	25 	26 6:30 PM AA	27 1 - 4 PM Birthday Open House for Renee Gittins
28 9 AM Contemporary Service 10 AM Advent Study 11 AM Traditional Service 12 PM Hanging of the Greens 1 PM Advent Study 6:30 PM Advent Study	29 7 PM AA	30 7 PM "But I'm Not Racist... Am I?" Discussion Series 8 PM AA				

UPCOMING ADVENT STUDY



Join us this Christmas Season as we dive deeper into our sermon series Down to Earth. We will be using the study called "Down to Earth: The Hopes and Fears of All the Years Are Met in Thee Tonight" written by Mike Slaughter with Rachel Billups. There will be two in person options and an online option.

If participating, please purchase a book, which is available through [Amazon](https://www.amazon.com) and other retailers.

In Person:

When: Beginning Sunday November 21st during the 10 am Sunday School Hour

Where: In the church parlor

In Person:

When: Beginning Sunday November 28th at 1 pm

Where: In the church library

On Zoom:

When: Beginning Sunday November 28th at 6:30 pm

Please help us plan by letting us know which study you will take part in by [clicking here](#) or by calling the office at 412-741-9430.