

The Herald

RUMC Newsletter



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Holiday Bazaar

Rockville United Methodist Church

142 Grove Street, Rockville

Fancy Cookies
Christmas Crafts
Silent Auction

Grandma's Attic Treasures

Saturday, November 16th
9am-2pm

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

It is with gratitude that I look back on my years as your pastor. I want to let you know that it is my honor to serve as pastor of this beautiful and faithful congregation who knows how to take care of **one another in love of Jesus Christ. As your partner in Christ's**



saving ministry, I have seen that our servant ministry has had a powerful impact on so many lives in our communities and the world. And I am sure that it will continue to build on the strong foundation laid by all who have come together to make the body of Christ in the life of Rockville UMC.

Thanks to God's grace and your dedication, this has been an eventful year in the ministry we share together. I would like to review some specific things that we have done together for the sake of God's glory.

First of all, I am proud of your stewardship. With your humble and diligent dedications, we have gathered and worshiped the Lord without any worry about our circumstances. Based on your dedicated stewardship, we could celebrate all our annual events such as **"Strawberry Dinner" on June 15, "Peach Dinner" on August 17, "Harvest Dinner" on October 19, and so forth.** I especially appreciate your volunteering to make a **"stewardship committee" and provide wonderful fundraisers such as "Car Wash" on July 20 and August 10, "Spaghetti-Silent Action" on September 14, and "Soup and Salad" on September 22.** Throughout your diligent works, we could enhance our finance, strengthen our ministry, and enjoy our fellowship as we worked together.

Second, we have been sincere in our nurturing ministry. Your own thirst for God's grace has deepened our spiritual life; we have gathered for our weekly prayer meeting on Sunday and Thursday mornings; we had the Lenten study together and will come again for the Advent study to prepare for the Advent-Christmas season. Most of all, I am so proud of the members of the Seekers; we have gathered together every month to pray for each other, our worship and ministry, and people in need.

Third, I am impressed to see your willingness to expand God's grace to our communities and the world. As an urban church, Rockville UMC has an active track record when it comes to ministry and mission. We have supported Syrian refugee family, local shelters, Food Pantry, and public schools with our donations. As a part of our Lenten programs, **we created a special event where we invited the social workers from "KidSafe" on March 24 and let them give us a presentation on "Trauma and Its impact on Children."** Our outreach efforts are still reaching out to our neighbors near and far. **At the "National Night Out" on August 8, we went to downtown Rockville-Vernon where we met people and preached the Gospel. We had the Christian band "Crossing Jordan" on June 22 that** helped us to invite our neighbors to worship God together at our sanctuary. I am so thankful with our visitation team. You have reached out to people in hospitals and nursing homes and brought God's healing power to so many people.

Our Sunday worship services continue to welcome both long-term members and first-time visitors with an experience that builds community and encourages spiritual growth. We have celebrated seven infant-**child baptisms and two young adults' confirmation.** It is always thankful to hear the joyful noises from children and youth, which is a sign of a hope for the future of our Christianity! I deeply appreciate our teachers who have nurtured and taught our children in Sunday School, Youth Group, and Grove Street Music (GSM).

In prayer,
Pastor Cheol

Hello,

The Youth CPR/First Aid Class is postponed. Please keep an eye out for the new date.



Nov 16- Help is needed for the holiday bazaar. Rebecca Bacha has a gingerbread house table. Kids and adults can make their own gingerbread house, and we will assist if needed. Ms. Bacha is looking for help to pre-make a few houses a few days before the bazaar. Please contact her if you would like to help out with pre-making them. rebecca.bacha58@gmail.com

I need a few people to help out at the bazaar at the gingerbread table. If you can come for a few hours or the whole day, your help is appreciated. The Bazaar runs from 9-2, we should be there around 8:30am. Let me know if you can help me out!!

Nov 22- We are having a youth group meeting 7:00 pm-9:30 pm. We will be working with a martial arts instructor to learn basic self defense. Please invite a friend; we are opening this up to youth in the community. We feel this is an important class and something all youth should know.

I will keep you posted on our Dec meetings as we can get them planned.

Director of Christian Education is Linda Shivers.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



Thank you to everyone who helped or attended our Harvest Supper. We raised \$1,113 that the RUMW gave to help offset the church deficit.

Thank you for your donations at the Leap of Faith Concert for our music program. Your generosity helps provide music and material for our choir, GSM, and bells choirs.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

The Cornerstone Soupfest 2019

Thursday, November 14, 2019

6:00 - 9:00 pm

St. Bernard Church Hall

admission is free

All are welcome!

This is a wonderful evening of soup tasting, Great Harvest bread, and desserts with teacup raffles and a silent auction.

Raffle tickets are \$20 each. The prizes are Visa Gift Cards in the amounts of \$500, \$400, \$300 and \$200. One hundred percent of the proceeds of the raffle will go directly to the Cornerstone to fund the soup kitchen, two shelters, the food pantry, clothing bank and youth outreach program. Tickets are available by calling Joanne Bedard at 860-205-3884.

Volunteer Opportunities

Through the Church:

Holiday Bazaar: If you can help with the holiday bazaar on Saturday November 19, 2019, please contact Candy Sunderland. We will need volunteers for the following:

Help set up: Wednesday, November 13 & Thursday, November 14. (put skirts on tables, etc.).

Work the day of Bazaar: November 16, 8:30 to 2

Clean up after the Bazaar: after 2 pm on the 16th

Worship Attendants: There are many opportunities to serve the church on Sundays: greeters, ushers, liturgists, hosting fellowship, or bringing the food donations to the pantry. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex.

Church Maintenance: **The GOM's need your help! Since our Grumpy Old Men are getting even older there are many things they did without fanfare on Wednesday mornings that they can no longer do.** We will start posting in the bulletin, on Facebook, and on the website activities where we need help; these are activities octogenarians should no longer be doing. Please keep an eye out for these opportunities, and help where you can.

Refugee Program: Please talk to Steve Yoder if you would like to help the Marri family.

Prayer Chain: If anyone is interested in joining the prayer chain and would prefer contact via telephone, please call Phyllis King at (860) 454-5127

Food Collection: Volunteers are needed to bring the nonperishable food items in our donation box to one of the food pantries in town. The sign up sheet is on the volunteer bulletin board.

In the Community:

Cornerstone Soup Kitchen: Cornerstone Soup Kitchen is looking for volunteers who ServSafe Certified; they are the only volunteers who can cook the Soup Kitchen meals. Non-certified volunteers can serve the food or clean-up, but not prepare the food. Contact Sharon Redfern or Bryan Flint to volunteer. Sharon.Redfern@cornerstone-cares.org or Bryan.Flint@Cornerstone-cares.org

The Church Bulletin is now on the website.

<https://www.rockumchurch.com/worship/>

Belinda Forbes Visit

We had a nice crowd out to share a fine potluck supper and hear Dr. Belinda Forbes' presentation about what is happening in Nicaragua and the cooperative work that they are doing. Donations toward her missionary work totaled over \$900. Persons from North UMC, South UMC and New Covenant UMC were among those attending.

The RUMC Reverse Advent Calendar

Sign up to bring an item for our Advent Box in preparation for Christmas. As the box gets fuller, Christmas gets closer.

The donations will go to our local food pantry.



December 1	Box of Cereal
December 2	Peanut Butter
December 3	Stuffing Mix
December 4	Boxed Potatoes
December 5	Macaroni & Cheese
December 6	Canned Fruit
December 7	Canned Tomatoes
December 8	Canned Tuna
December 9	Dessert Mix
December 10	Applesauce
December 11	Canned Sweet Potatoes
December 12	Cranberry Sauce
December 13	Canned Beans
December 14	Box of Crackers
December 15	Rice
December 16	Oatmeal
December 17	Pasta
December 18	Spaghetti Sauce
December 19	Chicken Noodle Soup
December 20	Tomato Soup
December 21	Canned Corn
December 22	Canned Mixed Vegetables
December 23	Canned Carrots
December 24	Canned Green Beans



Check the bulletin boards soon for the sign-up sheet.

2019 HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Rockville United Methodist Church will be holding their annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, November 16 from 9 am - 2 pm. 142 Grove Street, Vernon (intersection of route 30 and 31). **There's Something for everyone to Enjoy!! Silent auction, Fancy cookies by the pound, Grandma's Attic Treasures, Used Jewelry, baby blankets and knitted items, Christmas crafts, Baked Goods, Local crafters, Rada Knives, Books and puzzles, and this year...Decorate your very own Gingerbread House with help from our youth group kids. We also have wonderful luncheon items for sale that you won't want to miss!!**

Silent Auction notes: Items in very good condition as well as gift cards will be offered as usual. If you have something to donate, please write up a description, figure out a minimum bid, and get it to Judie Culy (860 872-3122 or judie.culy@gmail.com) as soon as possible. The item should be at the church by Thursday afternoon, 11/14. Many thanks.



November 3
Habakkuk 1: 1-4 2: 1-4
Psalm 119: 137-144 (UMH)
2 Thessalonians 1: 1-4, 11-12
Luke 19: 1-10
November 10
Haggai 1: 15-2:9
Psalm 145: 1-5,
+17-21 (UMH)
2 Thessalonians 2: 1-5, 13-17
Luke 20: 27-38

November 17
Isaiah 65: 17-25
Isaiah 12 or Psalm 118 (UMH)
2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13
Luke 21: 5-19
November 24
Jeremiah 23: 1-6
Luke 1: 68-69
Colossians 1: 11-20
Luke 23: 33-43

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

All Saint's Service

November 10, 2019
10 am

Sunday School Teachers

November 10, 2019
11 am

Church Council
November 10, 2019
11:30 am

Holiday Bazaar
November 16, 2019
9am to 2pm

Worship Committee
November 17, 2019
11 am

Cookie/Cake Roll pick-up
available
November 22, 2019

Ingathering
November 24, 2019



Join the Choir..
You'll Be Glad
You Did!

Can and Bottle Collection

Stan Culy is collecting redeemable cans and bottles for the Marri Family; Mohamed brings them to the store to be redeemed. We have a container in the front entry of our church. Thank you for helping the Marri Family



Holiday Gift Fund

The Holiday Gift Fund is right around the corner. Please watch the bulletin board for your chance of gift giving to someone less fortunate.

Amy Velasquez and
Kathy Sunderland



Have you made your will?
Have you remembered
your church?

Return Service
Requested

Rockville United Methodist Church



Adult Study — 9:00 am
Sunday School 10:00 am
Worship Service 10:00 am
Coffee & Fellowship follow the worship service
Nursery Care is available for children 4 and under.



Office Hours 10am-2pm Tuesday-Friday

To update address information or to be removed from the mailing list, please call or e-mail the church office.

Our Mission Statement

Rockville United Methodist Church is a people seeking to be faithful to God; by reaching out to all, inviting each to a relationship with God, nurturing each in the love of Jesus Christ and sending everyone back into the world to minister in God's name.



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Rev. SeokCheol Shin, Pastor
Karen Stearns, Music Director
Diane Lajoie, Office Manager
Linda Shivers, Director of Christian Education
Diane Lajoie, Church Custodian
Rev. Stan Culy (Retired)
Dr. Belinda Forbes, Missionary to Nicaragua

Special Needs

Nick - medical
Madison Kanneman - emotional support & medical recovery
Kate and family and all displaced by natural disasters
Colin Thorn - medical
Vetta - family tragedy
Bob Hornbecker
Rob Cook—medical
Domanik—healing
Anonymous— sobriety
Betty Ann Oppelt—medical & spiritual
Tami Rizner—medical
Staci Rizner - medical
Jade - medical
Paige - medical



Our Church Family

Marie Pierce—medical
Lucy Maupin – medical
Norine Veal—medical
Finn Halladay—medical
Linda Thouin—medical
Ginny Hickton—medical
Judy Wilkie—medical
Ray Clark—medical
John Ward - medical
Susan Lessoff - medical

Those in nursing homes, Assisted Living and with limited mobility

Esther Harris-home
Eleanor Schreiber-Crestfield Manor
Shirley Edwards-Brookdale SW
Vita Aiello-Fox Hill
Pat Brandt—Pennsylvania
Kay Lyke - Crestfield Manor
Irene Surette—home
Harry Thomas - Woodlake
Janet McKercher—White Oaks
Norine Veal—Woodlake
Phyllis King—home
Ray Clark - home
Jane Thomas-home
John Ward - Fox Hill

Those in Christian Service

Dr. Belinda Forbes
Accion Medica Christiana,
Managua, Nicaragua
Pastor Kristin White,
Green Street UMC,
Augusta, ME

The Church Council Minutes are now on our website.
<https://www.rockumchurch.com/church-council-reports/>



Shirley Edwards	November 2	Sandy Gallup	November 22
Noah Rodriguez	November 2	Raymond Clark	November 25
Carole Stambo	November 10	Janice Klingman	November 26
Luke Longo	November 11	Amanda Hall	November 26
Anthony Spicer	November 20	Ardis Abbott	November 28

Quote of the Month

“If the only prayer you said in your whole life was, ‘thank you,’ that would suffice.”

~Meister Eckhart