

DAYTON UNITED METHODIST

Mission Statement: "We invite everyone to become disciples of Christ by loving and serving God and actively living out their faith."

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**JANUARY
2021**

Bible Quiz

In the story of the Magi, what word is used to give a sense of Jesus' age when the wise men visited? What does it tell us?

- A. "baby"; Jesus was still a newborn in a manger
- B. "child"; when the wise men visited, Jesus had grown past infancy
- C. "youth"; Jesus was probably between 10 and 14
- D. No word is used to suggest Jesus' age at the time of the wise men's visit.



Answer: B (See Matthew 2:1-12.)

January 3 -- Epiphany

Communion Sunday

Theme: "Follow the Light"

First Lesson: Isaiah 60:1-6

Sermon Lesson: Matthew 2:1-12

Sunday Worship

at 10 am

Live Stream on

YouTube

DaytonUMC-VA

In-Person in the
Coffee Social
Area

Please, if you have been exposed to someone with Covid-19 or have not been feeling well, remain at home and watch online.

January 10

Baptism of the Lord Sunday

Theme: "Getting Clean"

First Lesson: Mark 1:9-11

Sermon Lesson: Romans 6:3-5

Bible scholar William Barclay notes that John the Baptist was "startled and unwilling" when Jesus asked to be baptized. The evangelist thought *he* needed what *Jesus* could give, not the reverse!

We are pros at taking our needs to God — indeed he invites this: "Call on me in the day of trouble" (Psalm 50:15). But God also comes to *us* with needs: "Mortal, I am sending you" (Ezekiel 2:3, NRSV); "Go ... make disciples" (Matthew 28:19); "Carry each other's burdens" (Galatians 6:2, NIV).

Apparently, God prefers partnership to acting solo. From the beginning, God has invited people to name the animals, tend the garden, welcome strangers, build the tabernacle, proclaim his word, ensure justice and mercy, share his love.

What does God need from you, as Jesus needed baptism from John? Salvation is God's alone to accomplish, but then he calls us to share work with him, for the world's sake. So we echo Jesus: "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this" (Matthew 3:15, NIV).

—Heidi Mann

January 17 - Graham Witt preaching

Theme: "TBD"

First Lesson: TBD

Sermon Lesson: TBD

January 24

Theme: "Fishing for People"

First Lesson: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Sermon Lesson: Mark 1:14-20



Peace on Earth

We hear the Christmas message of
Good will to all on Earth,
And long for harmony and peace
To spread and share their worth.

But where might harmony's roots grow?
Could frozen hearts thaw out like snow?
Can we respect both friend and foe?
Is love a blessing we will sow?

Let's not keep nursing ancient wrongs,
But live with faith our Christmas songs.
Forgive and love unboundedly.
Let peace begin with you and me.

—Peggy Ferrell, *Poems and Prayers*

Donations to the Love Light Tree were shared by:



Doris Bowman in memory of Claude & Ethel Wheelbarger, Claude (Sonny) Wheelbarger, Jr.,
Everette & Ruth Bowman and Donald V. Bowman, Sr.

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Beverly & Steve Callison-Smith in memory of her daddy Don, mother Leola, and brothers Donnie &
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Elsie M. Cox in memory of her husband Neil W. Cox

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Bob Perry, John Powell, Barbara Powell, Fred Powell and Gary Estes

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and in memory of her husband, Jim Simmons and mother Margaret Pappas

Jim & Norma Snyder in memory of Claude & Ethel Wheelbarger, J. Shelby & Violet Snyder
and Sam Gordon

Doug & Linda Wine in honor of their Children & Grandchildren and in memory of Daniela I. Wine

Graham & Mary Witt in honor of the DUMC Worship Team and
Doug Wine (for 35 years serving DUMC as a Trustee)



Gifts totaled \$1,240 and will be shared with the Dayton Community
Aid Fund and the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR).
Thank you for another great year!

- 1 Terry Suter
- 5 Dick Jacobs
- 8 Tim Bocock
- 12 Joan Leffel
- 12 Linda Wine
- 17 Anne Hill
- 17 Ryan Gregory
- 18 Neal Wong
- 19 Jackson Bocock
- 19 Don Gault
- 21 Rebecca B. Knight
- 22 Kathy Miller
- 24 Sonny Smiley
- 27 Anna Simmons
- 28 Loretha Bland
- 29 Kay Coffman
- 29 Pat Ruminski
- 30 Phil Evans



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- 4 Doug & Linda Wine ('04)
- 10 Bryan & Loretha Bland ('59)
- 19 Tim & Lori Bocock ('91)
- 24 Larry & Elaine Heatwole ('70)
- 26 JB & Nancy Showalter ('73)



Winners

1st - The Jackson Family

2nd - The Appleton Family

3rd - The Ryder Family

We think everyone had a great time. Thanks to Melinda Shiflet for preparing the gift baskets.



Do you have a resolution to spend more time in the Word? Do you want a helping hand? Try "The Upper Room" - a free, daily devotional! The January/February issue is in the tub by the front door and available in regular and large print.

THE UPPER ROOM



...to the family and friends of Judy Estes. She died on Dec. 30th. Her husband, Carl, is recovering from Covid at the home of their son, Stacey. Daughter Emily also had the virus. They appreciate the prayers on their behalf. Carl & Judy were to celebrate 55 years of marriage on Jan. 22. For cards, use Carl's address as the mail is checked often. (315 College Street, Dayton).



...to Hunter Wheelbarger on the death of his grandfather, Carson.



...to Don Huffman on the death of his brother, Everett.

United Methodist Women News

- ◇ Member Pledges for 2021 may be dropped in the box at the church or sent to Carolyn Davis
- ◇ We recently made donations in memory of Eddie Byrd & Jeremy Baugher
- ◇ We were able to bring joy to a family of six for the holidays
- ◇ Made a donation to Western State
- ◇ District events are virtual for anyone that wants to participate.



The family of Edgar Caplinger would like to thank you for the prayers, food, flowers, cards, and phone



calls that we received. Your many acts of kindness and sympathy were greatly appreciated. We are so blessed to be a part of this loving church family. God bless you all!



We want to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, calls and other care shared during our battle with Covid.

**Jeff, Sally & Lydia Smith
Codi Jo & Hunter Wheelbarger**



Graham Witt for Open Doors

What a tremendous effort from the Dayton UMC family as we provided the dinners last week for the Open Doors homeless shelter at the old Red Front grocery store. So many guests expressed their thanks and mentioned how terrific the meals were during the Christmas holidays. It was a great treat as several families provided meals from our local restaurants, including Traditions and Vito's Italian. We even had 8 gallons of chocolate milk donated from Mount Crawford Creamery for a special treat over the weekend. So many thanks and blessings for everyone who stepped up to be a part of this ministry, whether it was providing a meal or serving at the shelter. **-Graham**



Open Doors has grown in so many ways in 2020 - shifting from being in churches to a single facility, offering 10 extra weeks during lockdown, increasing bed capacity to 50, and hiring a second staff person on duty. They now have rent, utilities, kitchen supplies and more unexpected expenses. It costs approximately \$1,015 per day to operate or about \$20.30 per guest per day.

To explore more ways to support this essential ministry check out their Facebook page, their website <http://www.valleyopendoors.org/> or call (540) 705-1908.

Treasurer's Report: Jan - Nov 2020 Budget	
Contributions/Income	\$245,046.36
Expenditures	\$252,517.64
Year-to-Date Budget	\$296,137.41
Designated Contributions	\$78,320.00
Mortgage Report as of Nov. 30, 2020	
Loan Amount	\$650,000.00
Principal payments	\$108,222.28
Loan Balance	\$541,777.72
Extra payments on principal	\$555,664.61**
** Includes Original + Refinanced Mortgage	

NOTE Keri will be mailing the 2020 Year-end Giving Statements by January 31st as required by law. **Please, take time to check your statement right away.** It is much easier to correct an error in February than on April 14th!

We Accept E-Giving!

Use a checking account, savings account, debit or credit card to quickly and easily make your secure one-time or recurring (weekly or monthly) donation.



Automating your donations permits uninterrupted giving during vacations, illness or weather closure.

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2021 Offering Envelopes: If you used the offering envelopes for your 2020 giving, we have one for you. They are ready for pick up and are located outside the front of church in the bins. If you are unable to pick up your envelopes please call the church office. If you would like to use the offering envelopes for your giving and haven't previously used one, please call or email the church office so we can get one for your use. **-Keri**

EDITOR'S CORNER: "Be Like Becky"

I'm making an example of Becky (with her permission of course!)

Back in late 2019 we were beginning to organize an updated church directory. The suspension of in-person everything moved it to a very back burner. Therefore, when Becky moved her new contact information was never published. I KNOW there are many more and it makes me very sad. This level of incomplete or incorrect data is a handicap to Pastor Jenny and Keri and our ministry.

If you move, change your phone number, or email address (or *finally* get one like Becky!), please contact the church office. Also, if you experience a life event (birth, death, illness, hospitalization) reach out to Pastor Jenny or the office.

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