The Hilltops

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United Methodist Church

We are followers of Jesus, who tend God's garden, serving the mind, body and spirit of all God's children.

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Who were the first two apostles to follow Jesus?

(October question: According to the Beatitudes, who will be filled?

Answer is *Those who hunger and thirst for righteousness*.)



Susan Gerken, Nov 4th
Tiffany Provencher, Nov 11th
Al Higgins, Nov 11th
Paula Giardinella, Nov 20th
Jean Whitman, Nov 22nd
K.C. Lavery, Nov 30th
Nina Symonds, Nov 30th



Debbie Alger; Lily Andreasen; Joan Arsenault (Lynne's friend); Kathryn Bruen (Louise's sister, stroke); Judy Bureau; Patrick and Collette Burns; June Carr (Louise's lifelong friend); Betty Conley; The family of Craig

Connors (Lynne's son); Ralph Cusano (cancer); Mary Ann DiStefano (The Poehler's dear friend, ovarian cancer); Philip Durno (cancer); Keith Edmonds (cancer & heart problems); Emma Ermel; Marcus Ermel; Delaney Fallon; Bill and Gail Felton (homebound); Sandy Freeman; Donna Gallagher (brain injury); Andrew Garbino; Shirley Gibson & family; Steven (Ann Goebel's brother, cancer); Jimmy Harnish (cancer); Kathy Harris; Lucky & Penny Howie; Michele Kelley; Jean Krikorian; Dondi LaRue; Tommy Maciorowski; Joan McCorquodale; Chloe Miner; Dick & Judie Moore; Bob & Terry Newton; Linda Oakley; Lance Osborne; Debby Parker; Wallace Powers (cancer); Terry Quinn; Leslie Rice; Gloria Roddy (multiple myeloma); Peter Sheldon: Sue & John Siart: Richard Simmons; Al St. Croix (cancer); Louise Thorpe; Patty Thorpe (MS and graves disease); Jimmy Tompkinson; Christine & Roy Walker; Don Waye (cancer); Rev. Joan-Anne Westfall; Emma Whitman; Sheila Wick; Nevaeh Wilder (cancer): (Margie Wilson's brother, cancer); Robert Withee: Bonnie Wozniak: the victims of natural disasters all over the world; all those unemployed.



Thank you, thank you to Philip Furbeck and Ken Gerken for refurbishing the church sign at the lower driveway. A big job well done!



November 13th is the next Community Supper! Our great cooks will be back in the kitchen for *The 2nd Wednesday Community Supper* from 4-6pm serving American Chop

Suey. Please join us for a wonderful evening of food and fellowship!



As always, we count on many people for our **Annual Holiday Fair on Saturday, November** 23rd, from 9:00am-3:00pm. Come one, come all! It will feature baked goods and a cookie walk, crafts and gifts, Santa's attic, a silent auction, and lunch of hobo stew, corn chowder, hot dogs and desserts. Guided tours will be led to the 2nd level of the bell tower. Come and hear about the history of the building, the church, the history of what has been known as the "slave pews" and ring the 1876 Church Bell. As always, we need everyone to support this very fun and **fund-raising** event. Please bring your family and friends! Sign up for ways you can help out!





Advent begins Sunday, December 1, 2019



The annual Tree Lighting Service will be held at the Common on December 1st starting at 4:30pm. The choral program and hobo stew supper will follow at the Baptist Church in West Townsend.



Please join us for a hymn sing **December 1**st **through the 22**nd each Sunday morning before the second service upstairs at about 10:15am.



A new church cookbook is in the works! Gather your recipes for your favorite entrees, side dishes, and desserts! Submit a typed copy to Elaine Tittemore or Sue Siart. Thank you for your contributions!



THANKSGIVING DINNER

Every year at this same time, we sit at our dining tables . . . feasting upon what has become Thanksgiving Day staples.

We gobble down the turkey, mashed potatoes and candy yams then we sit back and disclaim . . . I can't believe how full I am.

But, this year I am not serving, the traditional Thanksgiving fare instead a healthy fruit salad . . . is all I'm planning to share.

I'm going take some gentleness, stuff it full of God's love along side of it will be the peace that comes only from above.

I'll pile high on each plate, some joy and some goodness right next to them I will place some faith and some meekness.

I'll top it off with patience, and for the piece of resistance I'll pray for those whom I serve... to have a lot of temperance!

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3011211	Provident.	TGESDAY	WEEKLSDAT	HIONSDAT	1	2
3 9:30am Choir practice 11:30am Church Council	4 10am-12pm Wesley Group	5	6 12:30pm Women's Bible Study at Elaine Aho's	7	8	9
10 9:30am Choir practice	11 10am-12pm Wesley Group	12	13 4-6:00pm Free Community Supper	14	15	16 Newsletter Articles Due
17 9:30am Choir practice 11:30am Church Council	18 10am-12pm Wesley Group	19	20 12:30pm Women's Bible Study at Elaine Aho's	21	22	23
24 9:30am Choir practice 11:30am Positive Pot Luck	25 10am-12pm Wesley Group	26	27 12:30pm Women's Bible Study at Elaine Aho's	28	29	30
1 10:15am Hymn sing 4:30pm Tree Lighting on the common						



Worship Times: 9:00am Casual Service 10:30am Traditional Service

Meetings and Social Events:

11:30am Church Council (1st and 3rd Sunday) 11:30am Positive Pot Luck (Last Sunday)

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