

The Hilltops

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New Beginnings

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 was chosen to replace Judas as the twelfth apostle?

(December's question: Which Old Testament prophet had the most to say about the birth of Christ? Answer: Isaiah)



Ralph Heymann, Jan 2
Lynn Jones, Jan 5
Kristine Symonds, Jan 7
Ken Miner, Jan 10
Benjamin Miner, Jan 11
Thelma Vance, Jan 11
Brian Hayward, Jan 16
Dick Vance, Jan 18
Ralph Blood, Jan 31

Anniversary:

Bill & Lynn White, Jan 19

God knows what's in our hearts, we might as well get right to the point.





Debbie Alger; Lily Andreasen; Kathryn Bruen (Louise's sister, stroke); Judy Bureau; Patrick and Collette Burns; Betty Conley; Ralph Cusano (cancer); David Dearborn; Mary Ann DiStefano (The Poehler's dear friend, ovarian cancer); Gale Durno; 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); Merle Grant; Jimmy Harnish (cancer); Kathy Harris; Lucky & Penny Howie; Michele Kelley; Jean Krikorian; Dondi LaRue; Tommy Maciorowski; Joan McCorquodale; Chloe Miner; Herman Miner; Dick & Judie Moore; Bob & Terry Newton; Lance Osborne; Debby Parker; Kelly Parker; Wallace Powers (cancer); Sally Provencher (cancer); Terry Quinn; Bradley Raymond (seizures); Leslie Rice; Gloria Roddy (multiple myeloma); Peter Sheldon; Rita Signoretti (Krissy's mom); 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); Edward (Margie Wilson's brother, cancer); Robert Withee; Bonnie Wozniak; the victims of natural disasters all over the world; all those unemployed.



JANUARY COMMUNITY SUPPER

Our next Community Supper will be held on January 9th, Wednesday evening, 4 - 6 p.m. Menu is not complete at this time, but you can count on a good hot supper on a cold

winter's night! Take Outs are always available, but if you know of someone who can't get out for dinner, we can deliver if we know ahead of time. Please join us for a great community get-together and tasty meal.

From: New England Conference - General Conference 2019

We have compiled the following information to help New England Conference members understand the issues and processes for the special session of General Conference, which will take place Feb. 23-26, 2019 in St. Louis.

Reading recommended by Bishop

Devadhar (hold ctrl then click to follow links)

["The Anatomy of Peace: Resolving the Heart of Conflict"](#) by The Arbinger Institute

["Unity In Mission: A Bond of Peace for the Sake of Love"](#) by Bishop C. Andrew Doyle

[A matrix of the three plans](#) (prepared by Tri-State District Superintendent Jim McPhee)

[Additional summary information](#) shared by Rev. McPhee

General Conference 2019 FAQ

Find frequently asked questions about the upcoming General Conference [here](#)

The Advance Daily Christian Advocate (ADCA)

ADCA contains the agenda, rules, delegate listings, petitions, reports from the general agencies/commissions and study committees, information for delegates, and codes of conduct for the 2019 General Conference. [Find it here](#)

"Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can." John Wesley



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 12:30pm Women's Bible Study at Elaine Aho's	3	4	5
6 9:30am Choir practice 11:30am Church Council	7 10am-12pm Wesley Group	8	9 4:00-6:00pm Community Supper	10	11	12
13 9:30am Choir practice	14 10am-12pm Wesley Group	15 Newsletter Articles Due	16 12:30pm Women's Bible Study at Elaine Aho's	17	18	19
20 9:30am Choir practice 11:30am Church Council	21 10am-12pm Wesley Group	22	23 12:30pm Women's Bible Study at Elaine Aho's	24	25	26
27 9:30am Choir practice 11:30am Positive Pot Luck	28 10am-12pm Wesley Group	29	30 12:30pm Women's Bible Study at Elaine Aho's	31		



Worship Times:

9:00am Casual Service with coffee &
fellowship
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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