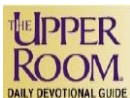


For the month of December 2019  
the Food Pantry is in need of canned meats,  
sides and canned pasta:



Has anyone seen a set of keys? Vern has misplaced a set of keys and the last time he remembers using them is several weeks ago to get into the main door entering Wesley Hall (parlor/office) from the parking lot.



Pick up the Jan/Feb issue of the *Upper Room*.  
A contribution to offset the cost is appreciated.



*We are excited you have joined us  
for worship today! If you are a  
visitor, please fill out a blue card  
and place it in the offering plate.*

**Mark your Calendar for these upcoming activities...**

Sun, Dec 15	10:45 am	Children's Sunday School
	11:30	Trustees/Council/Choir Meeting
Mon, Dec 16 - Tue, Dec 24		Social Hall in Use by Valley Mission
Tue, Dec 17	10:30 am	Echoes (Social Hall)
Wed, Dec 18	9:00 am	Food Pantry
	12:00 pm	Advent Luncheon (Augusta Street UMC)
	6:30 pm	Advent Bible Study (Parlor)
Thu, Dec 19	12:00 pm	Newsletter Deadline
Sun, Dec 22	8:30 am	Prayer Meeting (Sanctuary)
	9:30 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 am	4th Sunday of Advent Worship (Sanctuary)
	10:45 am	Children's Sunday School
Tue, Dec 24	6:00 pm	Christmas Eve Service (Sanctuary)
Sun, Dec 29	8:30 am	Prayer Meeting (Sanctuary)
	9:30 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 am	Casual Worship (Sanctuary)
	10:45 am	Children's Sunday School

There will be a brief meeting after church this morning for the Trustees, the members of Church Council and the Choir.

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in honor or memory of a loved one, please fill out and return the order form in the Arcade. The cost is \$5.00 and the deadline for ordering is **TODAY**, December 15th. The poinsettias will be placed in the Sanctuary on December 22nd. Call the office if you have any questions.

The church office will be closed on Tuesday, December 17th. Caryn will be checking the voicemail and will be available via phone and email if you need anything.

***Please take these Prayer concerns home for daily reference:***

Peggy Barkley	Jerry Harman	Jim Rohr
Dave Botkin	Wendy Harman	Peggy Rohr
Phil Carletti	Linda Hutton	George Sanderson
Ron Carletti	Marcella Landram	Katherine Sheets
Sarah Carletti	Skip Low	Leta Wimer
David Caywood	Karen Martin	Dinah Wood
John Clatterbaugh	Leon Miller	also...
Carmen Collins	Fern Moran	
Jonathan Gillette	Elizabeth Poe	

*Those in the Armed Services, The United Methodist Church, Our Local UM Churches, Our Community and Our Nation*

<b><i>2019 Bible Reading Plan - Genesis to Revelation</i></b>			
Sun, 12/15	1 Timothy 1-6	Sun, 12/22	1 Peter 1-5
Mon, 12/16	2 Timothy 1-4	Mon, 12/23	2 Peter 1-3
Tue, 12/17	Titus 1-3, Philemon 1	Tue, 12/24	1 John 1-5
Wed, 12/18	Hebrews 1-6	Wed, 12/25	2 John, 3 John, Jude
Thu, 12/19	Hebrews 7-10	Thu, 12/26	Revelation 1-3
Fri, 12/20	Hebrews 11-13	Fri, 12/27	Revelation 4-8
Sat, 12/21	James 1-5	Sat, 12/28	Revelation 9-12

***The more you read the Bible, the more you'll love the Author!***

If your household has not received an Advent Devotional, please pick one up this morning.

This year's Advent/Christmas Offering will go towards general budget items including apportionments. Envelopes are available in the Arcade (in front of mailboxes).

The 2020 Tithe and Offering Envelopes are available to be picked up. If you would like a set of envelopes, please contact the church office.

Echoes will meet on Tuesday, December 17th at 10:30 a.m. in the Social Hall. We will do some fun things including our usual gift exchange followed by a covered dish lunch. Please bring a wrapped gift suitable for either a male or female that costs no more than \$5.00 and a dish of one of your favorite holiday foods to share. As always all are welcome to join us.

The final Community Advent Devotion/Luncheon will be held at noon on Wednesday, December 18th at Augusta Street UMC and the speaker will be Rev. Jesse Moffitt.

The deadline for the January Newsletter is Thursday, December 19th.



Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion  
Tuesday, December 24th  
6:00 PM in the Sanctuary

Please join us in showering Leta Wimer with cards for her birthday on December 21st. Her mailing address is:  
54 Imperial Drive #6  
Staunton, VA 24401



Thanks to my Marquis Memorial family for the cards, visits & nice gift bag. All is appreciated. Love and have a blessed Christmas. ~ Leta Wimer

**Weekly Budget, Apportionments & Attendance for 12/8/19**

General Budget received	\$2,433	
General Budget needed each Sunday	\$3,327	<b><i>Titling Tip of the Week</i></b>
Building Fund received	\$258	If you already tithe, help
Building Fund needed each Sunday	\$335	someone else to enjoy this
Apportionments Received	\$65	wonderful way of sharing.
Apportionments Balance Due	\$3,490	God will help you both.
Number in attendance	74	