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Dear Friend,

This month we begin to move into the “holiday season,” with a number of special events in worship. Our schedule includes:

Sunday, Nov. 4 – ALL SAINTS SUNDAY, COMMUNION. Worship at all hours will include a remembrance of loved ones who have died during the past year. There was an opportunity to submit names of persons to be remembered on Sunday morning, October 28, and you can continue to submit names online until October 31 at www.kentmethodist.org/saints.

Sunday, Nov 11 – NEW MEMBERS JOIN. The “Beside Still Waters” sermon series will come to its conclusion. The Children’s Choir will sing at 9:30 and 10:30. There will be a reception of new members (see the relevant article below)

Sunday, Nov. 18 – THANKSGIVING SUNDAY. We give God thanks for our blessings, as the worship hour will have a Thanksgiving theme. Our children will do their traditional Thanksgiving Parade at the close of the 10:30 worship hour. The Resurrection youth ensemble will sing at the 9:30 and 10:30 hours.

Sunday, Nov. 25 – CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY. This Sunday, which celebrates the reign of Christ, brings the seasons of the church year to a triumphant conclusion. I will be starting a new sermon series, which will continue through Advent, entitled, “The Kingdom Is at Hand.” The ZAMARingers will share at both the 9:30 and 10:30 hours. New Spirit will be doing the prelude at the 10:30 service.

I look forward to joining with you in worship as we celebrate how God is at work among us!

In His Service,
Dr. David Palmer

Thanksgiving Offering

The Thanksgiving Offering goes to support a variety of mostly local missions. We respond in gratitude to God’s abundance by reaching out to help others! A letter about the Thanksgiving offering is being mailed out in late October.

Farmers’ Market Resumes at Our Church

Starting on Saturday, Nov. 3, the Farmers’ Market will again be held in Pierson Hall from 10:00 to 1:00 each Saturday. We are the winter location for this wonderful market that features local food and craft items. The Farmers’ Market remains at our church through April.

Youth Ministry News

November 2018

November Acolyte Schedule

NOV 4	Tyler Morris Dylan Schmidt
NOV 11	Beau Harper Andy Curtin
NOV 18	Dylan Schmidt Jeremiah Lepp
NOV 25	Ben Ina Tyler Morris

It's always amazing to me how fast the fall goes. At the time of this writing the youth are planning to host their annual Halloween party. While this party is always well attended (last year we had over 50 in attendance!) we hope everyone will mark their calendars and bring their friends for this exciting event! The hallway to the PIT will be transformed into a haunted house, 9 feet of Subway party subs will be eaten, there will be a costume contest, prizes for the person who brought the most guest, games and much, much more! I want to thank everyone in advance for coming out and especially thank the adults who plan to make this party happen; Staci Stout, Mike Goff, Alex Knoble, Erin Moore, Derek Stout, Ryan Stout, Taylor Gray and all my volunteer monsters! Without the dedication of these people our youth group would not be able to host events such as these. You are all a blessing to me!

While the month of October has been full of fun November is just as jam-packed. I want to announce

that the youth this year will be again performing a Christmas play. Rehearsals for this year's play will begin on Wednesday, November 7 at 7 PM in the gym. Anyone interested in being a part of this production is strongly encouraged to come to this rehearsal.

In conclusion, I want to update everyone about our mission trip being offered next summer. At the time of this writing we MAY be able to still offer YSM spots as part of our trip however we have been closed out of Day Camp and we will probably be returning to Baker Mountain this year after a long absence. If you're still interested in being a part of the trip please call Rick on his cell 330-283-4838 or at the church office.

Shalom,
Rick <

New Member Orientation

Our New Member Orientation, led by Dr. Palmer, provides a brief overview of the United Methodist Church and the history and ministries of our Kent congregation; it is for all persons who are interested in joining the membership of our church. There are two opportunities in the coming months—on Saturday, November 10, and Saturday, December 15. On either date the time is from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m., and participants are received into membership at any worship hour on the next day—November 11 or December 16. Interested persons can sign up in the atrium or online.

OCTOBER YOUTH CALENDAR

SAT 3	9:30–3 Confirmation at Hattie Larlham
SUN 4	Resurrection, ZAMARingers, Youth Fellowship
SUN 11	Resurrection, ZAMARingers, Youth Fellowship
SUN 18 AM	Resurrection performs
SUN 18 PM	Resurrection, ZAMARingers, Youth Halloween Party
SAT 24	Ohio State beats T.U.N.
SUN 25 AM	ZAMARingers perform
SUN 25 PM	Resurrection, ZAMARingers, Youth Fellowship

Annual Thanksgiving Canned Good Drive

Once again the Sunday School department will be collecting canned goods during the Thanksgiving season to be given to Kent Social Services. Canned goods may be brought to your children's Sunday School classes starting November 4 and continuing until our annual Thanksgiving parade on November 18.



Why Believe Book to Be Published

Place to Grow Press—our church's publishing arm!—is publishing *Why Believe*, a book by Dr. Palmer that addresses the skepticism and doubt of our age. The book contains the ideas presented in last summer's sermon series but also develops a number of the subject areas further. The book will be available shortly on Amazon—in either Kindle form or in print—and print copies will be available for sale in our church atrium. The price is \$15 for a print copy or \$9.99 for the Kindle version. All proceeds support the mission of our church.

Media Volunteers Needed

With a short bit of training, you can become one of our audio or video volunteers! We have excellent equipment, and are in need of a few additional volunteers for several of our teams. Generally you would be in a rotation such that you are "on" just once every six weeks. We need **sound board** volunteers and **video camera** volunteers for the 10:30 service, and we need **video projection** and **video streaming** volunteers at the 9:30 service. It's fun, easier than you might think, and a great way to serve the church! To volunteer, please contact Dr. Palmer.

Beside Still Waters

The sermon series on the twenty-third Psalm will conclude this month. If you missed previous sermons in the series, you can access video or audio recordings on our web site at www.kentmethodist.org/sermons.

Cub Scout God and Me program

Dr. Palmer is leading the God and Me program for Cub Scouts who are Wolves or Bears, starting on Tuesday, November 27, at 7:00 p.m. Information has been distributed to Cub Scout families who are in Pack 3250. Cub Scouts from our church who are members of others Packs are also welcome to join. For more information, contact Dr. Palmer.

Organ Recital November 25

Our organist, Dawn Filler, is giving an organ recital on November 25, 2018 to celebrate 25 years as a church organist. Her first position began in November of 1993 while in high school, at a small church near Canfield, Ohio. The one-hour recital will begin at 3:30 PM in the Sanctuary. She will be playing works by Bach, Mendelssohn, Franck, Vierne, and Locklair. All are invited to attend!

You Can Make a Difference

Nov. 12–17 is "Make a Difference Week". Each year, able bodied men and women volunteer their time to help some of our church members prepare their yards and homes for winter. It usually consists of cleaning yards and/or gardens or minor home repairs. If you are willing to offer your services to church members unable to prepare for winter on their own, then sign up in the atrium. If you have further questions, call Doug Denton at 330-673-5879 (ext.24).

University of Life Fall Term—Oct. 21–Nov. 18

**"Who Is This Man? –
The Unpredictable Impact
of the Inescapable Jesus"**

Sundays, 9:30- 10:15 a.m., Conference Room

Leaders: Al and Margaret Siegfried

Jesus' impact on our world is highly unlikely, widely inescapable, largely unknown, and decidedly double-edged. It is unlikely in light of the severe limitations of his earthly life; it is inescapable because of the range of impact; it is unknown because history doesn't connect dots; and it is doubled-edged because his followers have wreaked so much havoc, often in his name. He is history's most familiar figure, yet he is the man no one knows. His impact on the world is immense and non-accidental. He made history by starting in a humble place, in a spirit of love and acceptance, and allowing each person space to respond. The class, led by Al and Margaret Siegfried, will meet each Sunday from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. in the Conference Room. All adults are invited!

Hunger Network of Ohio Event

The United Methodist Church is a founding denomination of Hunger Network in Ohio. HNO is a faith based advocacy and networking organization based in Columbus but serving people living in poverty all over Ohio. Our own Judith Nedel is the representative from East Ohio Conference to this organization. Elections are a beginning not an end. For this reason HNO will be sponsoring "Advocacy in Advent" on Wednesday, November 28 at the Ohio Statehouse from 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM. In the spirit of Advent, you are invited to come to the Ohio Statehouse and be a light for those who are hungry in our communities! You will be equipped with the knowledge to discuss solutions to hunger in our communities, trained to effectively advocate with others and sent to speak with you legislative leaders on hunger and poverty issues. You can find more information and register at www.hungernetohio.com or ask Judith Nedel.

November Meetings of Kent United Methodist Women (UMW) Circles

The **Miriam** and **Mary Reed** Circles of Kent United Methodist Women will meet at 9:30 am on November 7 in the church parlor. The program will be "Shoes on my Feet." Hostess will be Barbara Farrell.

The **Rebecca** Circle meeting will be held at 7:30 pm on November 7 at Kent Social Services for the program "Sacred Space of Sharing Food."

Janus Circle will meet at 9:15 am on Sunday, November 11 in Pierson Hall. Meghan Harper will be the Hostess.

Kent Interfaith Alliance Hosts Kareem Henton

The Kent Interfaith Alliance for Racial Reconciliation and Justice (KIFA) is an inclusive body made up of lay and clergy leaders of faith-based communities and organizations concerned with racial justice in Portage County. In the past year we have hosted a series of films and discussions to gain better understanding and fellowship with all our neighbors in Portage County. Last year at the Kent Creativity Festival we hosted the Unity Project that creates a large web of yarn showing how our diversity weaves us together into community. We had hoped to repeat that activity this year but the festival was canceled. On Wednesday, November 14, we will be hosting Kareem Henton of Black Lives Matter Cleveland at the Kent Free Library at 7:15 PM. The topic of discussion will be, **Why Say Black Lives Matter? (Don't all lives matter?)** Refreshments will be served. We hope that you will join us and bring your ideas and questions. For more information please see the Kent Interfaith Facebook page or check with Judith Nedel. Information on future events will be published regularly in the Mosaic.

UMCOR/Sager Brown Mission Trip: Oct 27-Nov 1, 2019

Yep, we still have spots available for YOU (and your friends) if you are interested in planning a vacation/mission trip opportunity for 2019. Now that we are only 1 year away from this opportunity (as opposed to 2 1/2 years from the time of booking), it is time for some of you to reconsider the opportunity to join us on a trip to Baldwin, LA the last week of October in 2019.

During the week we inspect donated emergency kits such as flood buckets, hygiene or school kits which are given out to those who are hungry, displaced, sick or in poverty due to natural or human-made disasters. We can also choose to work in the sewing room and in the local community during the week. Along with relief efforts here in the united states, UMCOR serves 81 countries of the world. Each year, more than 3,000 volunteers come to the depot at Sager Brown to work in the depot and community surrounding Baldwin, LA.

Cost of the week is 255.00 per person. This fee includes a 25.00 processing fee, 120.00 for lodging, and 110.00 for meals. Additional costs include hotel rooms for travelling to and from Louisiana.

The work is light, the food is good and the time is well spent. Please consider joining us in mission next year.

Questions? Contact Carol Pozuc.

phone: 330-571-5741 email: cpozuc@aol.com

A Time to be Thankful

Thankful that you have a new pair of socks and new underwear to put on. You may not want to receive socks and underwear for Christmas but many Portage County families do. When you need them, you probably just buy new ones. But that is not true of everyone. There is a box in the Atrium under the UMW Board to collect new socks and underwear for distribution at the Phyllis Zumkehr County Clothing Center. Items are needed for all ages – children and adults. If you have any question or would like to volunteer on the first or second Monday of the month, give me a call.

Gail Closs: 330-626-2062.

Advent Booklet

This year, our Advent devotional booklet will once again be an e-book! It will include, as in years past, short devotions and Bible passages (about 2–3 minutes of reading) for each day leading up to Christmas, written by congregation and staff members.

This year, instead of mailing the book, it will be available at no charge as an e-book through Amazon.com for Kindle devices and apps and Apple iBooks for the iPad, iPhone, and iPod touch. In order to receive a link and announcement when the e-book becomes available, or to volunteer to contribute to the book, please contact Adam at adamalderson@kentmethodist.org.

Kitchen Help Needed!

Would you like to help provide financial support to over 20 local missions and worthy church activities? How about the County Clothing Center, Kent Social Services, Boy Scout Troop #252, Miller Community House, UMC Vacation Bible School (to name just a few)? This year \$8,500 was distributed primarily to our local community charitable non-profits and some church activities. The Kitchen Ministry is a tremendous operation that generates these funds, but it needs your help! Volunteers are needed in the kitchen and dining room to serve Rotary lunches every Tuesday and Kent Garden Club

Monday dinners once per month under the direction of Staci Stout. Lately, a few of the regular volunteers have been unable to serve in this ministry and we are looking to add new people to fill those gaps. The tasks are easy to learn and the camaraderie is free! The sign-up sheet is posted on the refrigerator in the kitchen, so please prayerfully consider joining this team and support this important source of funding for local missions and church activities! All ages welcome who can work in the kitchen and dining room!

Order Your

Poinsettias



You are invited to donate poinsettias to beautify the sanctuary for Christmas. Flowers will be distributed by Circle members to shut-ins from our church. Circle members may pick up the poinsettias December 24, after the 9:00 PM service or later. Please complete the information below, printing legibly, and mail it to the church office, or drop it into the offering plate on Sundays. All checks must be made payable to the United Methodist Church of Kent and returned with this form by **December 2**.

I/WE _____

WISH TO DONATE _____ PLANTS AT \$10.00 EACH

IN MEMORY OF _____

OR

IN HONOR OF _____

November 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 7 am Men's Discussion Group/Little City Grill 12 pm Lion's Lunch/PH	2	3 10–1 Haymaker's Farmers' Market/Pierson Hall
4 Regular Schedule Communion Sunday	5 7:30 pm Worship band Rehearsal/Gym 8 pm Disciple I/Rm 207 8 pm Disciple II/Rm 200	6 8:30 am Tuesday Morning Work Group 12 pm Rotary Lunch/PH 7–9 pm Basketball/Gym	7 10 am Companions in Christ/Room 208 6 pm Yoga/Parlor	8 7 am Men's Discussion Group/Little City Grill	9	10 10–1 Haymaker's Farmers' Market/Pierson Hall
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18 Regular Schedule	19 7:30 pm Worship band Rehearsal/Gym 8 pm Disciple I/Rm 207 8 pm Disciple II/Rm 200	20 8:30 am Tuesday Morning Work Group 12 pm Rotary Lunch/PH 7–9 pm Basketball/Gym	21 10 am Companions in Christ/Room 208 6 pm Yoga/Parlor	22 Thanksgiving: Office Closed	23 Office Closed	24 10–1 Haymaker's Farmers' Market/Pierson Hall
25 Regular Schedule Organ Recital 3:30 pm in Sanctuary	26 6 pm Garden Club/Pierson Hall 7:30 pm Worship band Rehearsal/Gym 8 pm Disciple I/Rm 207 8 pm Disciple II/Rm 200	27 8:30 am Tuesday Morning Work Group 12 pm Rotary Lunch/PH 7–9 pm Basketball/Gym	28 10 am Companions in Christ/Room 208 6 pm Yoga/Parlor	29 7 am Men's Discussion Group/Little City Grill	30 2–7 pm Red Cross Blood Drive/Pierson Hall	Regular Sunday Schedule 8:30 Worship Service/Chapel 9:15 Children's Choir—4 years–6th grade 9:30 Contemporary Service/Gym 9:30 New Spirit/Sanctuary 9:30 Child Care/Nursery 9:30 Adult Bible Study 10:30 Worship Service/Sanctuary 10:40 Sunday School—Preschool–6th Grade, Youth 11:30 Fellowship Time/Pierson Hall 12:00 pm Chancel Ringers/(Adult Bells)Sanctuary 5:00 pm Resurrection (Youth Choir)/Choir Room 6:00 pm ZAMARingers (YouthHandbells)/Sanctuary 7:00 pm Youth Fellowship/Gym and Pit

USHERS AND GREETERS

Date	8:30/9:30/10:30
November 4	5
November 11	6
November 18	1
November 25	2
If you are unsure of what team you are on, please call the office at 330-673-5879 x10 or email Adam at adamalderson@kentmethodist.org.	



Remember
These
Members
in Their
Sorrow

Our sympathies to:

- Family and friends of Bobby Smith

Recent Hospitalizations and Surgeries:

Janine Beck, Becky Brittain, Connie Karaffa, Pete Lorenz, Pearl Santich, Faye Timmerman

THANK YOU

Many thanks to the congregation for the beautiful flowers and cards that helped to lift our spirits while Peter was recovering from shoulder replacement surgery. A special thank you to Jane Hornyak for the delivery of the altar flowers.

Peter and Judy Lorenz

Dear friends,

Thank you so much for all your thoughts and prayers after my recent surgery. I especially want to thank Rev. Doug Denton for his calls and visits and to all of you for all the cards. A special thank you to Sally Dean and Alice Hurd for the delivery of the altar flowers and their wonderful visit. I am so blessed to be part of such a caring church.

Charleen Pees

Dear Friends of the Arts:

Dr. Jane Dressler has told me of your recent contribution to Kent State University. As Dean of the College of the Arts, I would like to express the gratitude of the entire College for your gift of \$400 to the School of Music, supporting the School of Music scholarships. Your generosity helps ensure that our students receive the best educational experience possible.

Our goal in the College of the Arts is to prepare students for life-long careers in the arts. Your generosity allows us to reach that goal and truly transform lives through the arts.

Cordially,

Dr. John C. Crawford-Spinelli,

Dean, College of the Arts

Nov 4-Sharon Coia

Nov 11-Don Ashton

Nov 18-Betty Sweet

Nov 25-Janice Anderson

**VIDEOTAPING SCHEDULE**

NOV 4 Eric Wertz

NOV 11 Gary Mote

NOV 18 Cheryl Brode

NOV 25 Gary Mote

NOVEMBER LAY READERS

NOV 4 Pat Baldwin

NOV 11 Hal Hall

NOV 18 Karen Beck

NOV 25 Karen Beck



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“O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love
endures forever.” Psalm 107:1

Worship Calendar

Date	Sermon	Scripture	Preacher	Special Event
November 4	“Goodness and Mercy Will Follow Me”	Psalm 23:1–6a	Dr. David Palmer	<i>Chancel Ringers,</i> Communion, All Saints’ Sunday
November 11	“I Will Dwell in the House of the Lord”	Psalm 84; Psalm 23	Dr. David Palmer	<i>Children’s Choir,</i> New Member Reception
November 18	“Gratitude for Wealth”	Mark 25:14–30; II Corinthians 9:6–11	Rev. Douglas Denton	<i>Resurrection,</i> Thanksgiving Parade
New sermon series: <i>The Kingdom Is at Hand</i>				
November 25	“When the Kingdom Will Come”	Mark 1:14–15; Acts 1:3–8	Dr. David Palmer	<i>ZAMARingers,</i> Christ the King Sunday



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