

Welcome to our faith community! We're glad you're here and hope this time brings you peace, inspiration, and fellowship. If you're new, please fill out a connection card from the pew and place it in the offering plate. Let's share the joy of this day together!

**Just a reminder that the church will be in use on Tuesday, November 5th, as a polling location for the presidential election.** Let's take a moment to reflect on the privilege we have as Americans to vote. It's a right secured through the sacrifices of those who came before us and a responsibility we carry to shape the future of our nation. Whether our voices are united or diverse, each vote matters in contributing to the principles of freedom and democracy that define us. Let's honor this privilege by making our voices heard at the polls.

**The United Women in Faith would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped before, during and after the MI Conference of United Women in Faith 6th Annual Celebration.** Over 125 attendees were here this past Fri and Sat. We could not have done it without your help. Thank you!

**The Governance Board has approved the purchase of a new Kyocera TA 4054ci multi-function printer.** In August, we learned that our current Xerox Workcentre 7845 had reached its end of service, meaning that parts and maintenance support would no longer be available. The bid was awarded to Boss Business Solutions, a Midland-based

company that serves clients such as Bay City Schools, Essexville-Hampton Schools, Midland County, Bangor Township, St. Paul Lutheran, and Faith Lutheran. We expect the new printer to arrive in a few weeks, and to the delight of the office manager, it will have the capability to fold documents!

**The Food Pantry and Thanksgiving food requests will take place on** Sundays, November 3rd and November 10th. Food baskets will be distributed on November 20th and 21st. In addition to the usual items, we are requesting the following donations:

Stovetop stuffing

Canned yams

Canned carrots

Instant mashed potatoes

Baked beans

Jellied cranberry sauce

Turkey or chicken gravy

#### **Thursday Bible Studies for 2025**

Seven Letters to Seven Churches (Rev. 1:9-3:22) Life Guide Bible Studies written by Douglas Connelly, led by Jeff Jump for 8 weeks from January 9 to February 27, 2025

Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 5:1-7:29) Life Guide Bible Studies written by John Stott, led by Brian Scramlin, Henry Roeder, and Dave Talaga for 12 weeks from March 6 to May 29, 2025.

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## ORGAN FUND

**CURRENT:** \$60,900

**GOAL:** \$72,000

## Looking Ahead

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### **November 4**

12:00 pm Golden Friends @ The Silver Palace Bar and Grill

### **November 5**

10:30 pm Needleworkers

All day Election Day (Church in Use)

### **November 7**

6:30 pm Thursday Bible Study for Romans

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

### **November 9**

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

### **November 10**

10:00 am Food Pantry Collection for Thanksgiving

### **November 14**

6:30 pm Thursday Bible Study for Romans

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

### **November 16**

9:00 am United Methodist Men @ Krzysiak's

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

### **November 18**

6:00 pm [UW in Faith] Executive Officer Meeting

### **November 19**

6:30 pm Missions Meeting

5:30 pm Brownie Troop 50560

### **November 21**

6:30 pm Thursday Bible Study for Romans

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

**November 23**

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

**November 24**

9:30 am [Special Sundays] United Methodist Student Day

**November 25**

6:30 pm Governance Board Meeting

**November 28**

All day Thanksgiving (Church office closed)

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

**December 1**

All day First Sunday of Advent  
Sermon: Rev. Bill Sanders

**December 2**

12:00 pm Golden Friends (location to be determined)

**December 3**

5:30 pm Brownie Troop 50560

**December 13-14**

Church Reserved for UW in Faith

**December 14**

10:00 am [UW in Faith] Christmas Celebration

**December 17**

5:30 pm Brownie Troop 50560

**December 24**

All day Christmas Eve

**December 25**

All day Christmas Day

**December 26**

Pastor on Vacation through January 8, 2025

**December 31**

All Day New Year's Eve