

Sunday Announcements for December 25, 2022

Special Prayers for these Wesley Family, Friends, and Others...

Alice & Joseph Boateng, Anne Burrows, Barbara Fletcher, Cheryl Johnson (Phil Johnson's wife), Charles & Samira Kiefer, Bill Kilmer, Kris (daughter of Lorraine Kronberg), Dorothy Norcross, David Samanen, Alicia Simoneau, Donald Tremblay; Barbara, Frank and the Vietze Family; Bill Wong, Laura Zoldak, Margie (Linda Keister's sister), Malika Gujarati (family of Jim & Judy Hoffman), Emily (Donroy Ferdinand's cousin), Marilyn (friend of Margaret Watson), Ralph (friend of Dorothy Adams).

Those who struggle with depression, anxiety, and alcoholism.

Tower & Rose Window Lightings & Altar Flowers

The Tower lighting for December is given in loving memory of Jean and Calvin Williams by Debbie, Gail and families.

The Rose Window lighting for December is given in loving memory of my parents, Henry and Katherine Williams by Susan J. Williams.

Altar flowers If you'd like to place flowers on the altar on a particular Sunday, please fill your name in on the day, then take an order form and submit it to Debi in the office with a check.

SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS/DATES TO MAKE NOTE OF:

Monday, December 26th	Office Closed
Sunday, January 1st	Worship, 10 am
Monday, January 2, 2023	Office Closed
Sunday, January 8th	Community Breakfast, 7-9 am
Sunday, January 8th	Worship, 10 am

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Herald: The next Herald will be sent out on January 6th. Please send your article(s) to me no later than Monday, January 2nd. Thank you.

Community Suppers have a New Coordinator

Maria Gorsuch-Kennedy has agreed to be in charge of community suppers starting in January. She has led several suppers, assisted always by her family and usually by her scout troop also.

Thank you, Maria! If your group or family would like to sign up for a month to lead a community supper, speak to Maria (or I could give her a message). Suppers are held on the last Saturday of each month.

The January 28th supper will be prepared and served by the United Women of Faith (formerly UMW).

Betsy Pennino

YEAR END REMINDERS!

As December comes to a close, please remember the following with regard to your 2022 donations:

- In order to post your donation to 2022, checks need to be dated 2022. Any check dated 2023 will be posted to next year.
- All donations for 2022 should be postmarked or received in the office by 12/31/2022. If a check is received in the church offering and it is dated in December, but not put in the offering until January, it will be credited to 2023.
- Once December deposits have gone to the bank and all accounts are reconciled, I will send your statements no later than the third week of January. You will have one week to notify me of any corrections before I begin the statistical report for the New England Conference.

Thank you for your support. Wishing you a happy holiday season and a peaceful and prosperous New Year.

Wesley Centennial Calendar

The Centennial Calendars have arrived in time to celebrate the one hundredth birthday of our beloved Wesley church! Our thanks go out to our photographers, Chloe Sundberg and Janice England, who donated the best photos of Wesley church in their collections. Our thanks are also extended to Allison Hansen who provided excellent technical advice when it was needed.

The calendars will be available in Brewer Hall on Sunday mornings until they are gone. Let us celebrate the months of 2023 with the memories associated with our first one hundred years and let us pray that the next one hundred years will be peaceful with blessings for all humankind.

If you desire to purchase a calendar but cannot attend the Sunday church service, please contact Margaret Watson at margikw@outlook.com to make arrangements to have one or more brought to you.

Calendars are \$20. each. Checks should be made out to: Wesley UMW

Margaret Watson for the United Women in Faith.

God Moments

If you could share a story of seeing God's work in your life, please tell me or email it to me. The story can be anonymous or signed, and all are invited to participate. Betsy (betspenn35@hotmail.com)



Jeanne Dhavale writes:

In Spring 2019 Dileep and I with our son traveled with friends who live in England and their daughter for a week in Jordan. We traveled in a van with our driver, Osama, a Jordanian Palestinian. We learned that his grandparents had emigrated to Jordan from Palestine following the Six Day War in 1967. Osama is a fine young man who is an excellent driver and guide. He was delighted to show us the sites, including some out-of-the-way spots, and treated us to Jordanian delicacies. Within a short time, Osama was more than our driver—he was our companion and fellow traveler. We were aware of the call to prayer wafting from the numerous mosques. We felt the Bible come alive in Ancient Moab from atop Mt. Nebo where Moses beheld the Promised Land. We waded in the River Jordan where John baptized Jesus. The week passed all too quickly, and it came time to drive to the Israeli border. We would be in Israel the following week. As we collected our luggage and prepared to leave, Osama told us he was going to miss us, we are good people. On the Jordanian Israeli border people from varying nationalities, from three major religions, Muslim, Hindu and Christian said our genuine, heart-felt good-byes with photo taking, hugs, tears and one-last wave before we walked across the border. As we enter the Advent Season, let us reaffirm our earnest prayer—Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.