



The Sunbeam January 2015

Lansing United Methodist Church

Worship 9:00AM

KIDZ QUEST AND SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30 AM

PLEASE JOIN US!

Pastor: Jane Sautter

Christian Education Coordinator: Kevin Klippel

Adult Ministries Coordinator: Karen Veaner

**“We saw his star in the east
and have come to worship him.”**

Matthew 2:2

Epiphany 2015

From the Pastor

Somehow, it seems a bit unfair when January rolls around. After all the busy-ness of the Holiday (read that HOLY DAY) season, we are left with what seems to be endless days of winter stretching ahead of us. But does it all have to end? Can't we keep the excitement and anticipation alive for just a little longer? It is unsettling to think that all we have looking forward is the bleak midwinter! Ann Weems, one of my favorite poets, has a bit to say about that and I would like to share that with you...

January's Song, by Ann Weems

There is a rumor on the streets that Christmas is over.
Lights and ornaments are packed away, trees dragged to the curb,
people back to business as usual.
We're no longer in the party mood; the humbugging is back in vogue.

This is January...How can Christmas be over?!
The Child is just newborn, the song of Peace and Goodwill
still rings in our ears.
The shepherds and sages still kneel to the One who is born to us...
just born to us!

How can Christmas be over??
The story of the gospel is just beginning.
We who saw the Star now live in its Light.
We who saw and heard now believe.

Christmas is not over. We're just beginning to follow this one
who calls us now to Live in the Light of Love.
Christmas is not over.
It's just beginning and this is January's song!!

*Happy New Year, my friends!
Pastor Jane*

Children's Ministry Team Kick-Off

On January 11, from 11:45 AM to 1 PM, will be the initial gathering of the re-formed Children's Ministry Team (CMT). This gathering is open to anybody who would like to be a part of the CMT. You do not need an invite; you do not need to have been involved previously; you do not need to be a parent; you do not need anything other than an interest and passion for service and working with kids! There is no sign-up sheet; your attendance at the meeting is good enough! Contact Kevin Klippel (youthcoordinator@lansingunited.org) with any questions!

Intergenerational Sunday School–The Sequel!

On January 18, from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM we will have our 2nd Intergenerational Sunday School, focusing on the man himself, Mr. John Wesley. We've all heard of him; as you're guided through different learning stations, find out more about the man behind the legend! Contact Kevin Klippel (youthcoordinator@lansingunited.org) or Karen Veener (adultministries@lansingunited.org) with any questions!

Kids in Action Now (K.A.N.)

KAN will have their monthly meeting on January 4, from 5:30 PM to 7 PM, where we'll be learning about and doing a project for Nothing But Nets, a global campaign of the United Nations Foundation, and its efforts to fight malaria in Africa by raising awareness and funding to provide mosquito bed nets for children and families.

KAN will also be leading the concession stand for the Boy Scouts' Pine-wood Derby event on January 31. Please contact Bonnie Blair with any questions.

SOLID

The junior and senior high youth (grades 7-12) will spend the weekend of January 30–February 1 at Casowasco for SOLID! Over the course of these three days, young people will worship, study, play, eat, and occasionally sleep, all to nurture a closer relationship with God. This year's theme is "SOLID'S Got Talent!" If you or your offspring has not yet signed up, please do so ASAP! Please contact Kevin Klippel (youthcoordinator@lansingunited.org) with any questions!

SUNDAY



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				1 Happy New Year! Church Office Closed	2	3 Mens' Breakfast 7:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry/ Caregivers 10:00
4 EPIPHANY SUNDAY Worship 9:00 Kidz Quest 10:30 Adult Sunday School 10:30 K.A.N. 5:30	5 Pancakes and Prayers 6:30 Bible Study at Woodsedge 10:30 Christian Believer 12:30 Staff Parish 7:00 Wingmen Men's Group 7:00	6 Needleworkers 10:00	7 Prayer Service 9:00 Women's Bible Study 9:30 Bell Choir 6:00 Church Undecorating 6:00 Choir 7:00	8	9	10 Men's Breakfast at Linda's in North Lansing Every Saturday 7:00 Whole Health Small Group 9:00
11 Worship 9:00 Kidz Quest 10:30 Adult Sunday School 10:30 Children's Ministry Team 11:45 Confirmation Orientation 4:00 Youth Mission 6:30	12 Pancakes and Prayers 6:30 Mobile Food Pantry 10:00 Bible Study at Woodsedge 10:30 Wingmen Men's Group 7:00	13 Needleworkers 10:00 Church Council 7:00	14 Prayer Service 9:00 Women's Bible Study 9:30 Bell Choir 6:00 Choir 7:00	15 Senior High Youth 7:00 SUNBEAM DEADLINE 12:00 Midnight	16	17 Men's Breakfast 7:00
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Charge Conference

Sunday, January 4

Members of the church council should plan to attend a Charge Conference, which is scheduled for Sunday, January 4, following worship. This will be for the sole purpose of approving the Building Committee for the next phase of LUMC Forward.

Adult Sunday School January 2015

January 4, 11, and 25

- Our Methodist Identity, led by Jim Blair
- Meditation: A Conversation with God

January 18

- Adult/Youth/Children Combined: A Wesley Study with Team Leadership
- Meditation: A Conversation with God

Needleworkers Group Moves to Tuesday Morning

Beginning Tuesday, January 6

Love to quilt? Embroider or cross-stitch? Knit or crochet? Bring your handwork and come to LUMC on Tuesday mornings from 10:00 AM to Noon for an informal gathering of needleworkers. Work on your current project while enjoying the fellowship of other crafters! Drop in anytime! For more information, contact Kathleen Wadell at 533-4996.

Children's Musical 2015

Watch for information on the choir room door. Parents please email Diane Withiam if your child is interested (Diane.Withiam@gmail.com). Also looking for adults who want to help out with direction, props, or any other capacity. First rehearsal will be February 1.

So, if you are interested in being a producer or director, here is your big break in show biz. Yes, it's true, we actually have launched careers on the LUMC stage.

New Small Group Opportunity!

Saturday, January 10, 9:00-10:00 AM

Looking for balance in your life? Nurture your Spiritual life by looking at the "big picture" and taking a "Whole Health" approach to finding balance and Grace every day. Explore ways to care for your spiritual, emotional and physical needs. Look for us in the Adult Classroom.

Church World Service Kits

You can always bring in the ingredients for one of the kits. These kits are collected by Church World Service and are put into service where needed. Note that the kits must contain exactly what is specified. So, for example, you cannot substitute a shopping bag for the cotton bag in the School Kit. In some locations, import regulations limit the kits to what's specified. Also, we need to send \$2 per kit to help with shipping.

Hygiene Kit

- One hand towel measuring approximately 16" x 28" (no fingertip or bath towels)
- One washcloth
- One wide-tooth comb
- One nail clipper
- One bar of soap (bath size in wrapper)
- One toothbrush (in original packaging)
- Six standard size Band-Aids®

School Kit

- One pair of blunt metal scissors (rounded tip)
- Three 70-count spiral notebooks or notebooks totaling 200-210 pages (no loose-leaf or filler paper)
- One 30-centimeter ruler (12")
- One hand-held pencil sharpener
- One large eraser
- Six new pencils with erasers
- One box of 24 crayons (only 24)
- One 12" x 14" to 14" x 17" finished size cotton or lightweight canvas bag with cloth handles. (Please, no reusable shopping bags or backpacks.)

Baby Care Kit

- Six cloth diapers
- Two T-shirts or undershirts (no onesies)
- Two washcloths
- Two gowns or sleepers
- Two diaper pins
- One sweater or sweatshirt (Can be handknitted or crocheted)
- Two receiving blankets (one can be a hand-knitted or crocheted baby blanket)

Items must be new and under 12 months in size.



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