



Balaton United Methodist Church November 2020 Newsletter

NOTES FROM PASTOR LORI ~

SOUL TENDING – So, how are you doing? Our Methodist founder John Wesley used to check in with his Pastors with a “How Is It With Your Soul?” This is such a great question of care and concern at any time, but I think it bears even more weight in such a time as this, don’t you agree? Our District Superintendent checks in with us Pastors often. He’s a fan of the “Marco Polo” video app using tool, but I appreciate his check in.

I just had my first online ZOOM Mentor meeting yesterday with the four new Clergy that I am mentoring for Clergy Leadership Academy, and I asked the above question. It’s a question we Pastors bounce around a lot. But now even more so And so I ask you, my beloved “Sheepies” ... “How Is It With Your Soul?”

Even during this pandemic, I get to check in and see many of you at least on a weekly basis, but many of you have been absent from the fold for some time. I guess I need to do some checking in ... but you also can check in with me Just a text, a call, a message, a note I truly do want to know. Please know that I am praying over you. Echoing the statement of a dear colleague:

“My goal during this pandemic is to keep myself, my family, my congregation, and my community ALIVE ... physically and spiritually”.

Yet, there are still some who think that this is all hogwash. It isn’t. This virus is REAL and nothing to fool with. Don’t touch the stove when it’s hot. Again. I am praying.

MILESTONES – We’ve managed to get in some milestones in ministry even still. Skyelar Martinez was Baptized at UMC during J.A.M. FaceBook LIVE last week. His family was present, so we actually had some LIVE congregation with us. Then, on Saturday afternoon, Skyelar, Dominic & Brianna Swanson, and Teagan Wieme all Affirmed the Promises made at their Baptisms as we celebrated Confirmation and reception into the Church. So ... we have FOUR New Members!

Hailie Stibbe was Baptised at the end of September, and the first Saturday in October, I traveled to Jackson to Baptize a Granddaughter of a college friend (with Bishop Ough’s Approval and Blessing). I also was able to Officiate the Wedding of a High School classmate this month in Luverne. Special times.

Even during these crazy days, God Is On the Move ... as the song goes!

SAINTS – “*For All the Saints, From Whom Their Labors Rest*”. All Saints Day is one of my favorite liturgical days. This year will look different, because of trying to keep gathering as safely as possible. We’ll LIVESTREAM the service for those who can’t attend. See my FaceBook page.

1) Gary Sommervold 2) Paul Schroepfer (Ann Gifford Brother In Law) 3) Betty Leversedge 4) Karen Dibble (PL officiated) 5) Jim Miller 6) Margaret Habben 7) Curtis Miller (PL officiated) 8) Avery Joseph Kaup 9) Laura Kaup 10) Darlene DeGroat 11-12) Bob and Beva Walters 13) Henry Petersen (Virginia’s Brother In Law) 14) Kassy Krumm 15) Gary Bruns (Lois’ Brother In Law) 16) Alta Gifford 17) Hilda Grieme (Stella’s Sister) 18) Gertrude Timmer (Amy’s Grandma).

GRIEF – This year especially, GRIEF also includes the loss of things we are unable to do. It weighs heavily doesn’t it? We are unable to gather for family reunions, graduations were different, even Halloween is ... different. Take some time to mourn. It is OKEY and necessary to do so! It might be helpful to simply write down all of the things you are missing. It might be “gathering in the morning for coffee at Balaton One Stop with friends” ... or dinner out. We’ll make space to lift up these things during both worship services today (Sunday Nov 1st 9am and 4pm).

THANKSGIVING – go hand in hand Grief and Thanksgiving ... very biblical if you check out the Psalms, the Prophets, other biblical persons ... there is a “Lament’ (Grief), and sometimes a shouting to God .. “God, do you hear me?” Remember God knows our hearts so you might as well yell if you must Just remember to fall back into His arms when you’re done yelling (Thanksgiving). Perhaps, write a Psalm on how you’re feeling.

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP - We Balaton Pastors made the decision this week NOT to gather for Balaton Community Thanksgiving Worship this year as we normally would. This is our lowest attended service, usually attendees are in our high risk age group, and so we made the decision to NOT. I .. will be posting a sermon online at some point in terms of Thanksgiving. Enjoy ... safely.

J.A.M. –I’m sure Denise will write a little too ... we have been doing FACEBOOK LIVE on Wednesdays and going well. You can tune in on the JAM – Jesus And Me FaceBook page, and my page after. We are seeking a JAM Coordinator. Denise has done such a wonderful job over these past ten years, Nancy, Deb too. It’s time for new. Please be prayerful. We need to pray for this person(s) ideally ... even though God already knows ... “God please reveal this person to us”. And, thank these ladies for their commitment, time (oh my the time!), talents.

CONFIRMATION For the first time in almost 2.5 years, I feel like I can exhale – there, I said it! There have been times over this period of time when I almost quit ministry all together – There, I said that too. I am ever so thankful that God has sent Vicar Rick Carlson to shepherd Trinity/Sillerud. His passion and commitment and ability to connect with kids and teenagers is evident and appreciated more than I can express. Kids are smart. They know who is FOR them and who is not. And .. I can be one HOT MAMA BEAR when people mess with my cubs ... biological or not. The kids like him. I like him. It’s working. Confirmation has been going extremely well this past month and I am ever so thankful! Nuff said.

GATHERING – Our Bishop has turned the regathering dial back to orange phase (see in our newsletter). It is Not a Mandate, a have to or else ... it is meant as a CAUTION. Because cases of COVID-19 are on the rise (as was predicted as head into Fall/Winter). The virus loves cold weather and closed spaces and the nooks and crannies of our bodies – airborne particles. And, even though we know many who have had it, and recovered fairly well There are also many who have died and are still suffering lingering effects. We’ll still gather in person, and be cautious. We’ll watch numbers and may have to change gears. Be cautious about your holiday gatherings too. We haven’t decided yet on our family.

John Wesley also coined the phrase “*First Do No Harm*” We are called to “*Love Our Neighbor*” and if Loving our neighbor means to mask up and physical distance and avoid large gatherings We can do that. We still have freedom ... and I think you know how I feel about that. I would much rather ... worship in small gatherings, online, in home, in safe ways for awhile (This will not last forever ... although I too am weary) ... than to have many of our congregation and community sick, hospitalized, or die because we were arrogant or neglectful - “*First Do No Harm*”. Please remember that ... in all manner of things: action and words. We got this ... and God’s got us ... Hang in there!

ELECTION – It’s been said that this election will be one of the most important in the history of our Nation. Have you made a plan to vote? I have already voted in person in Nobles County (where I have to vote). Again see above “*First Do No Harm*” we will need to be reminded of this now, on election day, and post election regardless of who wins or loses.

CHRIST THE KING is Sunday November 29th. Are we as vocal about who our KING is as we are our favored political candidate? Be reminded of who is LORD. Who took the harm, so that you would be able to live freely ... forever. Politics and Elections = temporary. COVID = temporary. The inconveniences that have occurred due to COVID = temporary. GOD’S LOVE = ETERNAL. FOREVER. BOUGHT and PAID FOR. #GODSKIDS.

ADVENT – Sssshh, not yet. But this Advent seems like it will be the “Adventiest Advent” of all. Advent is the “Sssh, not yet, wait”. I’m waiting right along with you

He’s there. Always. Even when we can’t SEE Him.

Be Blessed. Be Thankful. Grieve. It’s OK.

God Knows. God Hears. God Sees.

JESUS LOVES YOU SO Do I –

PASTOR LORI (PL)



NOVEMBER 2020 CALENDAR - PL

Sunday, November 1st – ALL SAINTS DAY 9am regular worship
4pm special ALL SAINTS DAY WORSHIP for Families – LIVE
streamed



Tuesday, November 3rd – Election Day – Praying over our Nation & Leaders
PL Online ZOOM 7-7:30pm for Board of Ordained Ministry



Wednesday, November 4th - 6pm J.A.M. LIVE UMC with
6:30pm Confirmation at UMC

Thursday, November 5th - 10am-11:30 & 1:30-3pm Clergy Leadership Academy online ZOOM
5pm-8:30pm Board of Ordained Ministry online ZOOM (YES – all day)

Sunday, November 8th - Worship 9am with Holy Communion
Bone-In Ham Dinner Drive-Thru @ Community Center

Tuesday, November 10th - 7pm All Church Charge Conference ONLINE – more info coming

Wednesday, November 11th - 9am-11:30 PL at Hospice in Slayton
6pm J.A.M. LIVE at UMC
6:30pm Confirmation at UMC

Thursday, November 12th - 10:30am-11:45am Licensed Local Pastor Group online ZOOM

Sunday, November 15th - 9am Worship

Wednesday, November 18th - 6pm J.A.M. LIVE UMC
6:30pm Confirmation at UMC

Saturday, November 21st - 4:30pm Lions Park Balaton Prairie Home Hospice Tree of Lights
(PL to do a brief message) *Want a bulb in memory of a loved one? \$15 call: 507-337-0080



Sunday, November 22nd - 9am Worship (Christ the King – WHITE cloths)

Wednesday, November 25th - NO J.A.M. LIVE Thanksgiving break
PL 9am Hospice in Slayton

(Pastor Lori will be OFF from Monday, November 23rd – Friday 27th * call for emergency)

Sunday, November 29th - 9am Worship (1st Sunday of Advent = BLUE cloths)



Wednesday, December 2nd - 6pm J.A.M. LIVE UMC
6:30pm Confirmation at UMC

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Conference Re-gathering Plan moves to Orange Phase

October 27, 2020



On Tuesday, Oct. 27, Bishop Bruce R. Ough turned the dial on the Minnesota Conference's [Phased Re-Gathering Plan for Churches](#) from yellow to orange. Below is a letter he sent to Minnesota United Methodists explaining the reason for the change:

CBS News reported the following on Saturday: “There are new signs that the nation’s months long battle against the coronavirus is moving in a dangerous direction. There were more than 83,000 confirmed cases reported Friday, marking a new record high for a single day in the country. The outbreak is also more widespread. The latest surge is pushing the number of infections to more than 8.4 million and increasing the death toll past 223,000 according to Johns Hopkins University...41 states reported an increase in average new cases. Fifteen states also showed record hospitalization, indicating more precautions are needed—fast.”

Meanwhile, the Minnesota Department of Health reported these statistics and recommendations to the religious community last Tuesday:

- There have been more than 1,000 cases a day in Minnesota in recent days—representing the most widespread community spread since the start of the pandemic.
- A look at how spread has increased in Minnesota over just the past few weeks (the numbers listed are cumulative since the start of the pandemic):

	Three weeks ago	Last week
Cases associated with wedding	365	570
Outbreaks associated with wedding	41	62
Cases associated with a funeral	124	136
Outbreaks associated with a funeral	18	20
Cases associated with worship	105	121
Faith community outbreaks	18	20



- If 100 people come to in-person worship, statistically at least six are going to be infectious right now. The advice given by a state epidemiologist: Meet virtually instead of in-person.
- The current rate of community spread is 37.6 percent. (A rate of 20 percent or more signifies caution. A rate of 30 percent or more is considered high-risk.)
- Someone asked the question: Where are we in terms of red light, yellow light, green light in terms of how we should act? The response from a state epidemiologist: Dark orange.

The next six to 12 weeks will be critical, according to Dr. Michael Osterholm, director of the Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy at the University of Minnesota and one of the nation's leading infectious disease experts.

For all these reasons, we are turning the dial on our [phased re-gathering plan](#) back to orange. Doing no harm, acting for the common good, and protecting the most vulnerable among us is how we love our neighbor. What this means: I'm asking you to limit your in-person gatherings to 10 people or fewer while wearing masks and maintaining social distancing. Group gatherings have been the most significant source of the spread of COVID-19 in recent weeks. We have the power to help change the trajectory of this pandemic.

Yes, the orange phase is more restrictive than what the governor's office currently allows. I understand the challenge this places on our churches, but given all the data before us, I believe this is the most prudent course of action. At a very minimum, I request you adhere to the governor's guidelines and closely watch the data in your community. If your school district is not holding in-person classes, then the church probably should not be having in-person worship either ([this link](#) always has the latest county-by-county 14-day case numbers, along with associated recommendations for school districts; it's a good tool for us to use to help guide our decision-making). We trust you to make decisions, in consultation with local officials, that will protect the vulnerable, our neighbors, and each other and still provide meaningful spiritual leadership to your community. Thank you for the creative, adaptive spirit you bring to our common work of healing a broken world in these critical days.

Remember, the church is not closed! We will continue to be creative in how we minister in these unprecedented times (we've compiled some Advent and Christmas ideas and resources [here](#)), and together we can make it through this pandemic. Our actions now will save lives. And isn't that the business we are ultimately in? Salvation—life for all people!

Bishop Bruce R. Ough
Resident Bishop
Dakotas-Minnesota Area of The United Methodist Church



**BONE-IN HAM DINNER—
DRIVE THRU MEAL
NOVEMBER 8, 2020**

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

BALATON COMMUNITY CENTER

Pre-sale tickets available at First Independent Bank, Balaton;

Balaton Press Tribune (9am–1pm) or RTR Middle School

Cost:

Adults – \$10.00

Children (4–7) – \$4.00

Under 4 –Free

MENU:

**Ham, Scalloped Potatoes,
Corn, Squash, Coleslaw,
Relish, Rolls, and Dessert
(Gluten free meals
available)**

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Ham Dinner News~

Our Ham dinner is coming soon!! Nov. 8 from 11-1 at the Community Center. If you were not asked to help, but would be willing to help us, it would be greatly appreciated!! Please make sure to bring a mask when you come for your shift. If you do forget, I will have some available. Disposable gloves will also be available for everyone. We are all going to do the best we can with a new experience this year with our Drive Thru dinner. We will “getter” done with a little help from our friends!!

Thanks a bunch! **Julie**

Notes from the Board Chair:

Well all I can say is I was not ready for the snow this early. Thank goodness Jill came home for Whitney's birthday and confirmation she was able to help me get everything put away for the winter. She also helped me finish digging the carrots and cleaning out the garden. Hopefully this snow will all disappear and we will get a little nice weather yet. It has been so cold also, I hate it.

Whitney was confirmed on Sunday, Pastor Lori and Vicar Rick did a beautiful job. Both services were awesome. I just wish we could have heard their faith statements better, they were very muffled. Thanks to Pastor Lori for getting all the extra things done that she has to do because of Covid, hopefully we can get back to normal before too long.

Thanks to Sam for getting the rails fixed and put back up. Also thanks to Greg and Sam for replacing the bulb in the church they are very high up there. We appreciate Sue for what she does every week to get the sermons online, and a big thank you to Denise for what she does. Thanks also to Julie and Stacy for helping get the newsletter out every month. Thanks to Peggy for keeping our bills paid every month.

Our church dinner will be different this year hopefully it will all go well. It is just hard to know what to get for food. Julie has it all under control; she does a super job.

With winter coming hopefully things will slow down a little and I can get some things done, that I have been putting off. I have started painting my bedroom and have two walls done so I hope I can get that finished this week or the first part of next week.

I found this somewhere so I had to keep it. ALWAYS PRAY TO HAVE EYES THAT SEE THE BEST IN PEOPLE A HEART THAT FORGIVES THE WORST, A MIND THAT FORGETS THE BAD, AND A SOUL THAT NEVER LOSES FAITH IN GOD. If only we could all live by that statement. Keep all who are hurting from loss of jobs, loss of loved ones in your prayers. Sympathy to Merlyn's family with his unexpected death.

Lois

A Note from Your Lay Leader

October was pastor appreciation month. I'm the holder of the "card" so it will be a little late as we weren't in church the last two Sundays in October. We lift blessings up over Pastor Lori. We give thanks to God for the call in her life that started very young as her parents, Gma Chubby, Auntie Barbie and countless others spoke faith into her. We ask God to protect her during this pandemic, to keep her strong in mind and in faith and to find that place of rest when she needs to decompress and just breathe. I often say to her, I don't know

how you do it. Sometimes I have trouble coping and here you are carrying the burdens of so many in need of prayer and help in these troubled times we are walking through. Her job description exploded when 2020 hit us like a bomb. We were all in shock as news of the pandemic swept over us. She/we had to find new ways to do outreach, to record sermons, to get the Word out and try to regroup within the confines of social distancing guidelines to protect our children and the most vulnerable. Pastor Lori has done that with grace mixed with a little fire. She is small but mighty, just like the BUMC. Here's praying 2021 provides our shepherd with all she needs to continue to lead and guide the powerful faith displayed and shared by the members in our church.



I'm drawn to the scripture from Matthew 8:23-27 NIV when Jesus Calms the Storm. "23 Then he got into the boat and his disciples followed him. 24 Suddenly a furious storm came up on the lake, so that the waves swept over the boat. But Jesus was sleeping. 25 The disciples went and woke him, saying, "Lord, save us! We're going to drown!" 26 He replied, "You of little faith, why are you so afraid?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm. 27 The men were amazed and asked, "What kind of man is this? Even the winds and the waves obey him!"

As people of faith we must stay in the Word, try to remain positive, check on our neighbors, PRAY for one another and be kind. Praying for the Lord's strength and peace to surround you in these coming months. Pray for our pastor and pastors everywhere. Give thanks and continue to show God's love to one another.

Blessings,

Sue Skramstad

Note from Ron Anderson

We are hunkered down in Chicago. Maria Victoria is in school. All is quiet.

Hope things are getting back to normal there. I heard crops are good. I plan to be in Balaton on November 8th for hunting.

See you then!

***Love,
Ron Anderson***

UMW Communications

Greetings Friends,

Hopefully this finds everyone doing well!

We as U.M.W. are not doing much right now but the one thing we are doing is keeping the prayer chain active with the things that need more prayers. Please contact Pastor Lori or one of the U.M.W. members as to what your prayer concerns are and we'll be glad to add your prayers to our prayers. That's one thing that CoVid is not able to take away from us!

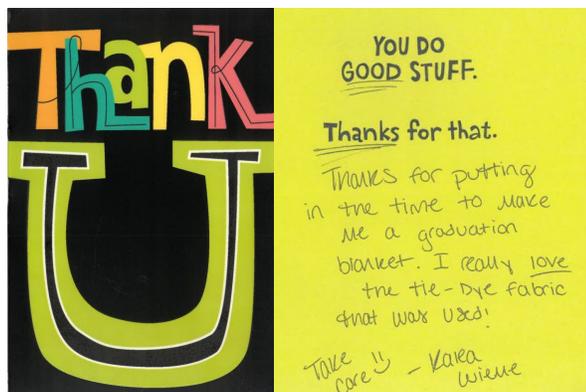
I just talked to Verlane Ross about how our money situation is doing right now and she shared that our pledge for the year is paid and some of our U.M.W. members have donated some money so we have enough to cover for the rest of the year. Next year will be a different story so we'll cross that bridge then. I would say the prayer chain will be adding that to our prayers!

We would like to invite any ladies of the church to join our U.M.W. Hopefully after the first of the year, we'll be back to having meetings and everything else we do and be more normal!

Everyone please be careful and stay well.

Yours in Christ,
June Terhark, UMW President

Thank You From Kalea Wieme



The One Year Bible - November Readings

*Here is an audio link if you are interested in following along that way: [One Year Bible - Audio](#)

November 1st

Ezekiel 1:1-3:15
Hebrews 3:1-19
Psalm 104:1-23
Proverbs 26:24-26

November 2nd

Ezekiel 3:16-6:14
Hebrews 4:1-16
Psalm 104:24-35
Proverbs 26:27

November 3rd

Ezekiel 7:1-9:11
Hebrews 5:1-14
Psalm 105:1-15
Proverbs 26:28

November 4th

Ezekiel 10:1-11:25
Hebrews 6:1-20
Psalm 105:16-36
Proverbs 27:1-2

November 5th

Ezekiel 12:1-14:11
Hebrews 7:1-17
Psalm 105:37-45
Proverbs 27:3

November 6th

Ezekiel 14:12-16:41
Hebrews 7:18-28
Psalm 106:1-12
Proverbs 27:4-6

November 7th

Ezekiel 16:42-17:24
Hebrews 8:1-13
Psalm 106:13-31
Proverbs 27:7-9

November 8th

Ezekiel 18:1-19:14
Hebrews 9:1-10
Psalm 106:32-48
Proverbs 27:10

November 9th

Ezekiel 20:1-49
Hebrews 9:11-28
Psalm 107:1-43
Proverbs 27:11

November 10th

Ezekiel 21:1-22:31
Hebrews 10:1-17
Psalm 108:1-13
Proverbs 27:12

November 11th

Ezekiel 23:1-49
Hebrews 10:18-39
Psalm 109:1-31
Proverbs 27:13

November 12th

Ezekiel 24:1-26:21
Hebrews 11:1-16
Psalm 110:1-7
Proverbs 27:14

November 13th

Ezekiel 27:1-28:26
Hebrews 11:17-31
Psalm 111:1-10
Proverbs 27:15-16

November 14th

Ezekiel 29:1-30:26
Hebrews 11:32-12:13
Psalm 112:1-10
Proverbs 27:17

November 15th

Ezekiel 31:1-32:32
Hebrews 12:14-29
Psalm 113:1-114:8
Proverbs 27:18-20

November 16th

Ezekiel 33:1-34:31
Hebrews 13:1-25
Psalm 115:1-18
Proverbs 27:21-22

November 17th

Ezekiel 35:1-36:38
James 1:1-18
Psalm 116:1-19
Proverbs 27:23-27

November 18th

Ezekiel 37:1-38:23
James 1:19-2:17
Psalm 117:1-2
Proverbs 28:1

November 19th

Ezekiel 39:1-40:27
James 2:18-3:18
Psalm 118:1-18
Proverbs 28:2

November 20th

Ezekiel 40:28-41:26
James 4:1-17
Psalm 118:19-29
Proverbs 28:3-5

November 21st

Ezekiel 42:1-43:27
James 5:1-20
Psalm 119:1-16
Proverbs 28:6-7

November 22nd

Ezekiel 44:1-45:12
1 Peter 1:1-12
Psalm 119:17-32
Proverbs 28:8-10

November 23rd

Ezekiel 45:13-46:24
1 Peter 1:13-2:10
Psalm 119:33-48
Proverbs 28:11

November 24th

Ezekiel 47:1-48:35
1 Peter 2:11-3:7
Psalm 119:49-64
Proverbs 28:12-13

November 25th

Daniel 1:1-2:23
1 Peter 3:8-4:6
Psalm 119:65-80
Proverbs 28:14

November 26th

Daniel 2:24-3:30
1 Peter 4:7-5:14
Psalm 119:81-96
Proverbs 28:15-16

November 27th

Daniel 4:1-37
2 Peter 1:1-21
Psalm 119:97-112
Proverbs 28:17-18

November 28th

Daniel 5:1-31
2 Peter 2:1-22
Psalm 119:113-128
Proverbs 28:19-20

November 29th

Daniel 6:1-28
2 Peter 3:1-18
Psalm 119:129-152
Proverbs 28:21-22

November 30th

Daniel 7:1-28
1 John 1:1-10
Psalm 119:153-176
Proverbs 28:23-24



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***Please put a notice in your church bulletin for the weekend of October 31 and November 7. Thank you. Marti Engelkes
marti.engelkes@hospiceofmurraycounty.com ***

Dear Hospice Friends and Family,

Grief visits each one of us at sometime in our lives. It is less painful and easier to heal when the grief process is shared.

Hospice of Murray County will hold a bereavement group for adults at the Hospice of Murray County office in Slayton. It is for 6 sessions, on Tuesdays, and the fall group will begin on Tuesday November 10th and will continue through Tuesday, December 15th, 2020, from 4:00 – 5:30 PM.

There is no cost for the bereavement support group as it is sponsored by Totzke Funeral Home of Fulda and Slayton, and Hospice of Murray County. Pre-registrations are appreciated so materials can be put together. You can pre-register by calling the Hospice office at 507-836-8114 by Monday, November 9th.

This bereavement group is not just for those family members served by hospice, but all adults who have lost a loved one.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call 507-836-8114.

November

2020 Balaton United Methodist Church Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00 Worship "All Saints Day" 4:00 pm All Saints Day Worship for families Daylight Savings Time--FALL Back	2	3 Election Day 7:00-7:30 ZOOM Board of Ordained Ministry Katie (Yearous) Hindes B-day	4 6:00 JAM Facebook Live 6:30 Confirmation-UMC	5 10-11:30 & 1:30-3 Clergy Leadership Academy ZOOM 5:00-8:30 Board of Ordained Ministry ZOOM Jordan Johnson B-day	6 7 Sam Tutt B-day	
8 9:00 Worship w/Holy Communion UMC Ham Dinner Drive Thru 11-1	9	10 7:00 pm All Church Charge Conference-Online Julie Cusher & Cora Median B-days	11 Veterans Day 9-11:30 PL @ Hospice in Slayton 6:00 JAM Facebook Live 6:30 Confirmation UMC Sophia & Liam Ross B-days	12 10:30-11:45 Licensed Local Pastor Group ZOOM	13 14 Adam Wieme B-day	
15 9:00 Worship Danelle Tavierne B-day	16	17	18 6:00 JAM Facebook Live 6:30 Confirmation UMC Zach Chandler B-day	19 Sam & Peggy Tutt Anniv	20 21 4:30 Prairie Home Hospice Tree of Lights-Balaton Lions Park Mert Holm & Marilyn Wabeke B-days	
22 9:00 Worship	23 PL OFF Craig & Ann Gifford Anniv	24 PL OFF	25 PL OFF 9:00 PL Hospice in Slayton No JAM Live	26 PL OFF 	27 PL OFF	28
29 9:00 Worship 1st Sunday of Advent	30					

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The J.A.M. Ministry is looking for one or more people to Coordinate the J.A.M. Program - a salary has been set for the position.

This ministry was started in 2010 and just completed "TEN YEARS STRONG".

If you are interested in the position, please contact the following number (507)220-3557. A job description and application will be forwarded to you.

**Applications are due
Friday, November 6, 2020.**

Coming!

**J.A.M.'s biggest fundraiser –
Kettle Corn and More!**

**Right in time for the Christmas Holiday –
makes wonderful Christmas Gifts!**

Be Watching for More Details!

**Remember our Nursing Home Residents: Prairie View Senior Living-Tracy: Myrt Holm
Avera Morningside Heights Care Center-Marshall: Neva Manguson
Remembering & praying for Brandon Swanson..... missing from his family since May 2008**