



Tecumseh United Methodist Church

Christ's compassionate community in Tecumseh;
Loving and serving prayerfully and unconditionally

Wednesday 13 January 2021

Tecumseh Fast Food Initiative

Upcoming Distribution

Saturday 16 January 2021 12:00pm

This month's distribution will be the first we do on our own now that the program has been moved in-house. Although we're looking forward to helping our community, things will be a little different. Prayer is appreciated.

Coming soon: a TFFI page on our website.

Offering Envelopes for 2021

New offering envelopes are now available and can be found at the church office (517-423-2523).

Any questions or if you do not yet have a box of envelopes and want one?

Contact Deb Blanden, our Financial Secretary (leave her a message at the church office)

Thank You All!

Many thanks from Sharon and I for the gift of cash (also called the Pastor's Purse) this Christmas. It is greatly appreciated. We are planning on using the money to have our wedding rings redesigned (which we need to do as Sharon's is damaged and mine no longer fits).

– Pastor Mark & Sharon

Tecumseh Service Club Monthly Donations

We're focusing on the following items to give to the Tecumseh Service Club so that they can help people and families in need in NE Lenawee County:

Toilet paper & feminine hygiene products

Drop off donated items in a bin near the North door of the church.

Items Needed at Any Time

- canned fruit
- canned tuna and chicken
- canned soup
- canned vegetables (no corn or beans)
- oatmeal
- "helper" meals (hamburger, tuna, etc)
- jams & jellies
- Jello & pudding
- macaroni & cheese
- pancake mix & syrup
- pasta & spaghetti sauce

Easy Ways to Help Tecumseh UMC Financially

We are tapped into several programs that return cash to Tecumseh UMC each time a purchase is made and registered:

PRAIRIE FARMS – Save the caps from Prairie Farms milk. Connect to the Prairie Farms website at www.PrairieFarms.com, select “Our Caps Your Cause” and then select “Tecumseh United Methodist Church” from the drop down list. Enter the codes found on the inside of the caps and we receive 5 cents for each. You can also drop off caps at the church office.

TUCKEY’S BIG BOY RESTAURANT – Write “#22 10%” at the top of your meal check. The restaurant will send us 10% of the value of your meal.

JERRY’S MARKET – Drop off your Jerry’s Market receipts in the basket outside the Choir Room or the church office. Jerry’s will return 2% of the pretax amount.

Share Your Music

Do you have music you would like to share through the weekly worship podcasts? We can record in our sanctuary and Pastor Mark can add your contribution to a podcast. If you are interested or ready to record, give a shout to Pastor Mark.

Everyone’s Should Have a Hobby - Pastor Mark Goes Lo-Tech

Did you ever use a slide rule for school or work? What used to be standard equipment for engineers of all stripes has since been replaced by calculator apps on our smartphones and the humble slide rule has been long retired . . . but not forgotten. Like just about everything else antique or vintage, slide-rules are collectible, if only modestly so, and your pastor is one of the collectors, with a small but growing collection of slide rules produced from the 1930s through the 1970s. With not much else to do, we asked Pastor Mark about this somewhat odd hobby.

Midweek Newsletter: People collect sports memorabilia, movie posters, art glass, and all sorts of interesting things, but slide rules!?!?

Opportunities to Gather Online

Every week you can join others from Tecumseh UMC online through these Zoom gatherings:

Breakfast Club Online – Come as you are weekday mornings at 8:30am for fellowship and conversation.

Sunday School Class – We are holding a Sunday School class for adults on Sundays at 10:30am.

Online Coffee Hour – Following Sunday School (or 11:30am), join in for fellowship and conversation.

Zoom access information will be sent in an email each week.

Pastor Mark: Several reasons – slide rules are more interesting than toaster ovens and much less expensive than classic cars.

M.N.: Do you know how to use a slide rule?

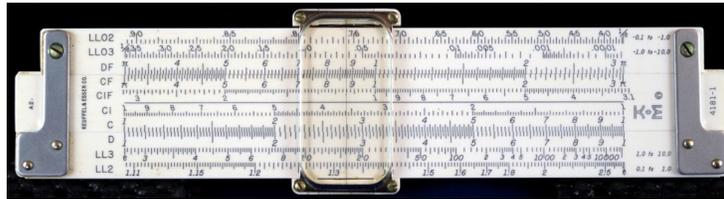
Pastor Mark: Do you know how to use a toothbrush? Of course I know how to use a slide rule. Been using one since high school. A small group of us continued their use while the other kids were picking up the first inexpensive calculators.

M.N.: Where do you find slide rules?

Pastor Mark: Antique markets, flea markets, and Ebay, where most of the best hunting is done. Like collecting anything, it's all about the hunt.

M.N.: One more question. Do you wear white button down shirts, a pocket protector, and heavy horn-rimmed glasses with thick goggle lenses?

Pastor Mark: May the boils of Egypt (Deuteronomy 28) keep you standing up only long enough for you to learn good manners.



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