

YOU are WELCOME HERE!

No matter who you are, where you are from, how you are dressed, . . . You are in a judgment-free place.

Your CHILDREN are WELCOME HERE!

Welcome to join in worship, wiggles, joyful noise too!
(If needed, a nursery is available)

OUR MISSION as a Church

is the mission given us by Jesus Christ, who commanded
"Go and make disciples of all nations . . . teaching them to obey
everything I've commanded you."

(Matthew 28:19-20)

because disciples of Christ can change the world for the good

COMMUNION each 1st Sunday

As a United Methodist Church, ours is an open table---
all are welcome to participate who love or seek Jesus Christ
and are a peace with their neighbors. Children are welcome too.

Tecumseh United Methodist Church

Rev. Mark Alan Miller, pastor
Wilnella Bush, organist and vocal music director
Richard Randolph, handbell choirs director
Mary Ann Nikolich, administrative assistant

Worship: 10:00am Sunday
Office Hours: M-F 9:00am-3:00pm

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Tecumseh United Methodist Church
Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world

Welcome to Worship!

December 2, 2018

First Sunday of Advent

Greetings & Announcements

Please take a moment to sign the attendance pad as it is passed to you. Thank you.

Gathering to Praise God

Music as We Begin Worship

"From Heaven on High to Earth I Come" - Pachelbel

Illumination of the Advent Wreath

Theme ~ Hope

Bible Reading ~ Isaiah 60:1-5

Lighting of the Candle

Reading & Prayer

Song ~ hymnal #196

(please stand as able)

"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

Proclamation of God's Word

Children's Lesson

Choir

"Come, Emmanuel" - Don Besig

Bible Readings ~ Jeremiah 33:14-16

Luke 21:25-36

Message ~ Prepare the Way: STAND

Thanksgiving & Response to God's Word

Offering

Prayer to Bless the Offering

Music ~ "In the Bleak Mid-Winter" - John Innes

Prayer

Sharing of Joys and Concerns & Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name.

**Your kingdom come, Your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.

Amen.

Communion

Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness

Holy and awesome God, we come before you as sinners.

**Though there is greatness in us, and a deep desire for goodness,
we have often denied our better selves and refused to hear your voice
calling us to rise to the full height of our humanity.**

**At times we have chosen to walk in darkness, seeing neither within
nor beyond ourselves to those who need our help.**

Forgive us and teach us to walk in the light of your truth.

The Great Thanksgiving

*Please follow along on **page 15** of the read **hymnal***

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Going Forth to Love and Serve the Lord

Song ~ hymnal #213

(please stand)

"Lift Up Your Head, Ye Mighty Gates"

Blessing

Music

"Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers" - Paul Manz

Notes, Profound Thoughts, Scribbles, Mental Meanderings . . .

Who's Doing What Today

Musical Direction & Accompaniment: Wilnella Bush *Greeters:* (Open)

Reader: Bonnie Greene *Sound:* Matt McCutcheon

Communion Bread Host: (Open) *Children's Time:* Missy Andrus

Ushers: Bernie Wilson, Carol Partridge, Duane & Susan Koppelman

Counters: Diane O'Brien, Sharon Martin

Altar flower poinsettias are given to the glory of God by June Wood in memory of Robert L. Wood & Robert A. Wood – ALSO – by Ken & Bev Wright in memory of Robert L. Wood & Robert A. Wood and in memory of Ken's parents

Small (but mighty) Groups at Tecumseh UMC

Sunday School

A place to deepen faith through learning in classes for all ages, which meet following worship on Sunday.

Prayer Team

This group **meets at 9:10am Sundays in the Tecumseh UMC Library** for prayer before worship. Come!

Women of Faith

We meet the **4th Monday** of each month at **7pm** in a fun, friendly atmosphere while working on a variety of mission projects throughout the year. We meet in the church library.

Make a Commitment

To Jesus Christ as his disciple

Join up with Jesus as Lord and Savior or renew your commitment to him.

To this church through Membership

If you are taking part in the life of this church but are not a member, please consider joining. Talk to Pastor Mark

Financial Giving to and Through Tecumseh UMC

Offering During Worship

The plates collect for the many works of the church. The "Penny Power" baskets collect loose change for an emergency fund that helps local people in need.

Automatic Electronic Funds Transfer is available. For more information, please contact the church office (Mary Ann) at 517-423-2523.

Please remember Tecumseh UMC in your **estate planning**.

Emergency Relief & Recovery is done through the United Methodist Committee on Relief (**UMCOR**), who mobilizes worldwide to provide help when disaster strikes. Donations to their **domestic** and **international** general funds helps them be ready to respond at a moment's notice.

Events This Week

Sunday	12/02	9:10am	Prayer Team
		10:00am	Worship
		11:15am	Coffee Hour
			Wood Carving Silent Auction
			Sunday School
Monday	12/03	8:45am	Walking Group
Wednesday	12/05	8:45am	Walking Group
		12 & 7pm	Advent Bible Study
Thursday	12/06	6:30pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
		7:30pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday	12/07	8:45am	Walking Group
Sunday	12/09	9:10am	Prayer Team
		10:00am	Worship
		11:15am	Coffee Hour
			Jam & Jelly Sale
			Wood Carving Silent Auction
			Sunday School

Announcements

Advent Study ~ The Wonder of Christmas – Come and join in as we give ourselves the opportunity to experience the wonder of Christmas that we often miss in the noise and glitter of the holiday season.

Wednesdays at 12:00pm or 7:00pm in the TUMC Library.
Jump in any time!

Collect Jerry's Market Receipts! We are starting a new fun draiser with Jerry's Market. Please save your receipts and bring them to the church placing the receipts in the baskets near the choir room and front entryway. Jerry's Market will make a contribution to the church each month in the form of 2% of the total purchases, basically the retail amount. Gerry Greene has agreed to be our contact person. The Administrative Council has given support for this fundraiser.
-Duane Koppleman, Finance Chairperson

Fabric Needed! The Women of Faith put together 150 school kits this year and would like to do it again next year. But we've run out of fabric. If you or someone you know has some fabric we can use, please bring it in. It doesn't need to be a particular kind of fabric, just a little heavier than a basic cotton. Old drapes in good condition or old jeans will also work. If you have any questions, talk to Barb Wheeler, Linda Roslin, or Sharon Miller.

Ring – If you're missing a ring, one has been turned in. Please contact the church office to identify it.

Annual Christmas Cookie Sale – Please join us on Sunday, December 16 in the Fellowship Hall following the worship service and purchase from a variety of cookies! Be sure not to miss TUMC's annual sweet treat.

Prayer List

Annette Amador	Nigel Armstrong	Don Bachand
Peggy Bachand	Joyce Bailey	Joe Baker
Susan Ballard	Doug Bogel	Debbie Bogel
Fred Breiner	Shelley Doke Family	Ashley Donato
Frank Enos	Nelson Evers	Corwin Frolich
Linda Frost	Patty Glaser	Otto Graf
Bert Griffin	Amy Hardy	Elizabeth Harris
Bill Horning	Larry Jacobsen	Mardy Janisse
Phillip Janisse	Les Jones	Beth Kelly
Arlene King	Janet King	Gloria Kittle
Karen Knisel	Phyllis Kopka	Frank Krall
Mike Less	Brian Lively	Carrie Marach
DJ Martin	Todd McCrate	Chuck McLoughlin
Joyce McLoughlin	Joan Miller	Bryan Mincks
Dorothy Moleski	Kaden Morton	Debbie Oliver
Ken Olson	Nancy Olson	Ashton Paulson
Bill Piple	Carol Piple	Barb Records
Sorrel Richardson	Patti Riddell	Andrew Roznowski
Connie Schmidt	Janet Schuller	Lori Schultz
Danny Sheehan	Kyle Sheel	Terry Sisty
Sylvia Snapp	Troy Stern	Mindy Sudhoff
Gwen Suennen	Mark Suennen	Tiffany Thompson
Pat Tooman	Tim Urban	Lee Vavrinek
Nancy Vavrinek	Tom Walsh	Mark Wiemer
Marion Williams	Liz Willis	Bernie Wilson
