

This is the State of the Church Report that I wrote for our church conference in October. I am excited for what God is doing in our midst here at Cabot!

A Message from Pastor Jonathan:

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you"
Matthew 28:19-20

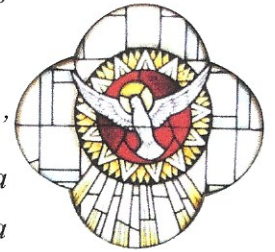
This has been a very eventful year in the life of Cabot United Methodist Church. We are preparing for our celebration of the twentieth anniversary of moving into this building. This was a visionary step that the church was willing to take two decades ago. Leaving a lovely, traditional church building that had been the congregation's home for 80 years was not an easy decision. That building was the beloved site of baptisms, marriages, funerals, and countless worship services praising Jesus. But the people of Cabot Church realized that the size and situation of the building were limiting the vision that God had given this church, a vision for sharing the love of Jesus with this whole community and beyond, for seeing lives transformed by his grace, and for being a community center for building redemptive relationships through which God's mercy could flow. So, the congregation made the difficult decision to purchase a former school building (with no stained glass!) as a site for ministry. This meant setting up and tearing down chairs, pulpit, and musical instruments every week, meeting in a gym/multipurpose room for worship, and taking on a significant mortgage debt. This was done for the vision that God was calling this church to live into. The congregation has lived into this vision nobly over the last twenty years, and we anticipate God continuing to move us into new things for his glory!

As we continue to live into this late-pandemic/post-pandemic era, we recognize that the way we do church will continue to change. The things that were done 5 years ago are not working in the same ways. We must continue to look for new ways to engage with the people around us, so they can experience Jesus' love and transformation. We have developed several new ministries this year, including the Matrona Family Resource Center, launched earlier this month. We are providing free children's clothing, formula, diapers, maternity clothes, and other baby items for families who can benefit from them. We are also supporting families in other ways, by offering parenting support groups and birthing classes. (Continued on Pg 2)

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Cabot UMC is also building relationships in the homeschooling community, through events such as our Home Education Days. Families are free to use the church building every Thursday to bring their children, do their schoolwork (together or individually), use the gym and playground for play time, and teach supplementary learning lessons together, such as science experiments. The response has been fantastic, with up to 75 people participating any given week. We anticipate this to grow as bad weather increases many homeschooling families' desire to be able to get out of the house.

In this coming year, we will be refocusing on making disciples, as Jesus has commanded us. After the resurrection, he said, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:19-20). Cabot UMC is renewing its focus on disciple making. This happens best, not through once-a-week worship services in large groups, but through small groups of people who know each other, care for one another, and grow together in becoming more like Jesus. This form of discipleship is central to our heritage as Methodists. We will be creating more small groups, in addition to the groups and Sunday school classes we currently offer. Small groups give people the opportunity to connect and grow in their faith, which gives Holy Spirit the chance to take hold of more of our lives, thoughts, and actions.



We are also growing in our focus on the "of all nations" portion of Jesus' words. Our church has a large heart for people to come to know Jesus. We do a great job with serving our community and working to connect people in our area to him. In the coming years, I believe we will see those two passions overflowing beyond our national borders to a passion for seeing God's Kingdom grow in other parts of the world. I have been preaching about what God is doing around the world, we have intentionally focused on the greater world in our corporate prayer times, and we have been asking God to lead us to partnerships and international regions that can be areas of focus for us. We believe the Spirit will grow us in this engagement so we can support God's work around the world and be changed by our own engagement in it.

In the midst of all this new work, we continue many ministries we have been serving in for years, and they continue to impact our church and community. Our Food Bank serves the hungry in our area. We are able not only to meet their needs, but also to provide a caring connection, and, when they desire it, to support them with prayer. Our Upward Sports program is a fruitful touchpoint for us to interact with the community, while growing and shaping children and youth. Cabot Church's youth ministry and children's ministry continue to serve young people and their families, as we guide them to connect with Jesus in age-appropriate ways. Our weekend services are experiencing renewed vitality in worship. We have new musicians stepping in to serve, and our worship team has returned following the pandemic.

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NEWS

New Members to Cabot UMC:

Take a moment to welcome these people who have joined our church!

Jacy Barbiaux, with Emma, Jaden, Moses, Noah, and Mae

Bud & Sherry Doerr CheyAnn Grimes

Linda Heim Gina Infantino

Violet Laidlaw Amber Quinn, with Teshher

Thank you for your prayers and encouragement for them as they grow in the grace of God.



This year, our church will be supplying the food bank Childrens Christmas gifts.

Please contact Sarah Smith at

724-352-3827 or langmedic26@msn.com

to sign up for your child to buy gifts for. Gifts need to be returned to the church by December 4.

Thank you so much for your support!

Building Anniversary Party:

It was 20 years ago in November that Cabot United Methodist Church held its first worship service in what used to be Winfield Elementary School! Let's come together to celebrate how God led us here, what he has done over the last twenty years, and the ways he is leading us into the future. We will have a potluck after the Sunday worship service on Nov. 6, around 11:45. This will be in the Multipurpose Room (where many of you remember setting up and tearing down chairs every week for worship). Please bring a dish to share, if you are able to. We will begin the meal with communion, and there will be a time of sharing memories, as well as fun games for the kids (and maybe adults too!). Please RSVP in the lobby or by contacting the church office, so we know how many to expect. It is also All Saints weekend, so we may have guests or those who haven't been here in a while joining us. If you have a Cabot shirt, whether a new one or one from years past, we encourage you to wear it to worship that day.

Community Pool:

Our church is a part of the Christian Leadership Network, a ministerial association of churches in the area. The CLN supports the full health of our community, including spiritual, physical, emotional, and relational health. One of the ways we are doing that is with a sizable donation toward the Sebco Swimming Pool. The pool association received a \$555,000 grant from the state, but since it is a matching grant, they are launching into a fundraising campaign. The CLN decided to take the lead in blessing the community by donating 1% of the needed funds: \$5,550. This is an opportunity for followers of Jesus to show that we care about the greater community, including its recreation. We are prayerfully hoping that this will also inspire other organizations and businesses in the region to offer their generous support of this community resource.

Life Group for Men:

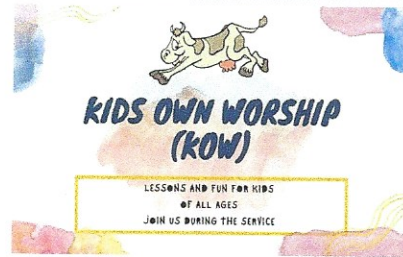
We are beginning a small group for men who would like to grow in their faith while being encouraged and challenged by one another.

Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm.

134 Grimm Rd., Sarver (Don Marlowe's house).

Contact Don, Roger Kennedy, or Pastor Jonathan with questions or to sign up.

Children's Ministry



It can be hard for little ones to sit through the serious adult talk of a sermon, so we provide a fun alternative. On Sundays, kids leave the regular worship service after the Children's Message and come back in time for the Benediction. They'll sing songs, play games, do some art projects and listen to a Bible Story! Kids' Own Worship (KOW) happens during the regular Sunday worship services. Kids from Pre-K to 5th Grade can leave the service to enjoy their own lesson!

Contact Kelly Hanson at children@cabotumc.com with any questions, or if you would like to help.

Cabot UMC Home Education Day

Join us at Cabot UMC each Thursday 9am-2:30pm during the school year.

Enjoy use of the gym, library, nursery and art room to supplement your other studies. Bring your lessons and gather with other home educating families for social time and group study.

This day is open to any sort of home education. Traditional Homeschoolers, Cyber Schoolers, Unschoolers, all are welcome.

Additional information can be found at the South Eastern Butler County and Surrounding Area Homeschoolers Facebook page.

FRIDAY WITH FRIENDS

On the First Friday of the month, from 6pm-9pm, join us at the church for food, fun and friendship. You bring yourself, family or friends, and a dish to pass.

We'll supply the fun, games and prizes! ALL AGES WELCOME!

November 4th—Costume Party and Escape Room Puzzles

December 2nd—Advent Wreath Making, Gingerbread Decorating, Carol Sing

January 6th—New Year's Party, Pajama Party, Karaoke, Games

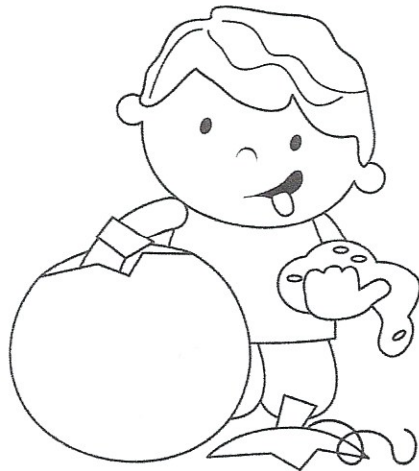
The Pumpkin Prayer

Author Unknown www.ChristianPreschoolPrintables.com



Choose a pumpkin:

“Lord fill me with your wisdom and guidance.”



Scoop out the insides:

“Lord take out all of my fussies and frownies and fill me with your love.”



Carve the eyes:

“Lord, open my eyes to see all the beautiful things you have made.”



Carve the nose:

“Lord help me to be a sweet, sweet fragrance for you.”



Carve the mouth:

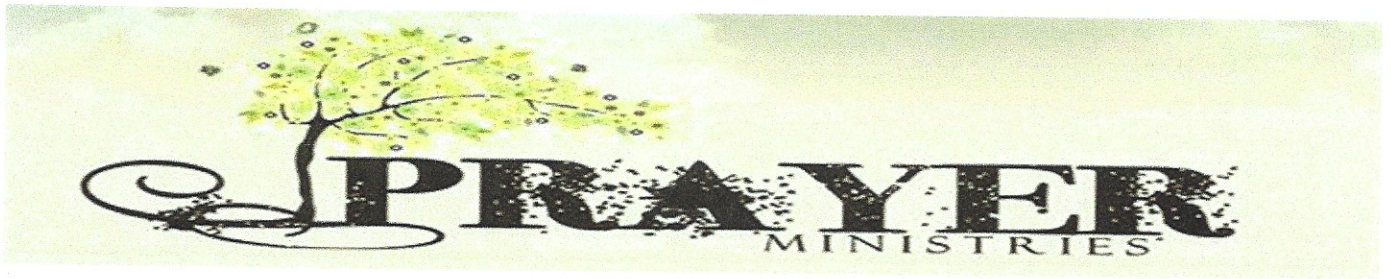
“Lord help me to always speak your words of loving kindness.”



Place a light inside:

“Lord help me be a light to others for you have filled me with your light.”

“In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:16



Most of us don't give much thought to spiritual dryness. It may not ever affect us, it may affect us only once, or maybe more often than that. This article on that subject comes from a reading in a book entitled "A Guide to True Peace," compiled by William Backhouse and James Janson. The authors touch upon the fact that in order to bring us closer to Him, God will lead us through the paths of dryness and desertion so that, when we try to fix our minds in silence, in order to feel the comfort and refreshment we expected, on the contrary we will be more than usually beset with a multitude of troublesome and importunate imaginations so that we might think that we labor to no purpose and that the prayer of internal silence is an attainment to which we need not aspire, seeing that our imagination is so ungovernable and our mind so void of good. But this state of dryness is very profitable, if it be suffered with patience.

In the end, while we may believe we are enduring a time when our spirit is dry, we feel unmotivated as to which way to turn to meet God. In fact, He is working with us and around us in those circumstances and people we encounter. Just to acknowledge that we feel a dryness of spirit is Him working through the Holy Spirit to let us be more attune with Him in listening to the sermons, Christian music, and hymns we hear, and to the Scripture that we read. When He is ready, we will feel alive in our spirit to move forward to do His will. The dryness we feel is a sign, something like a yellow traffic light to slow down and take note. There is a working within us waiting to be harvested, waiting to bloom. May it be for His glory that it bursts forth into the blessing He means for it to be.

Cheryl Swift

When prayer is worship, the focus is on the character and will of God. Are we learning to worship Him by praying

Come join **Cheryl Swift, Judy Fish, and others** in our Prayer Chapel (West Wing) for a time of prayer **every Tuesday 6:00 pm.**

Matrona



A Family Resource Center
A Ministry of Cabot United Methodist Church
724-352-2074

Resources for families in South Eastern Butler County

Baby and Toddler Clothes, Maternity Clothes, Diapers, Baby Gear, Children's Books, Support Groups, Parenting Classes, Childbirth Classes

Resource Closet:

Open Weekly on Thursdays from 6-9pm
Or as needed, please call for details

Support Group for New Parents:

Thursdays from 7-8pm
Please call for details

Parenting and Childbirth Classes:

Meeting Weekly as needed, call for details

Matrona is a ministry of Cabot United Methodist Church located at 707 Winfield Rd, Cabot PA. If you are struggling with any aspect of pregnancy or parenting or if you would like to volunteer or donate please call or email children@cabotumc.com.



Cabot UMC Food Bank November Food Drive

The Cabot Food Bank is making a special request for food and supplies to distribute to people in our community. The need is stronger right now because one normal source fell through this fall. See the list below for items that will help our friends and neighbors make it through the month. We are accepting unopened, non-perishable food items, paper products, and cleaning supplies for the Food Bank. We will not be able to accept any frozen or perishable items. Monetary Donations are also accepted. Please make checks payable to CUMC Food Bank.

Please drop off donations at Cabot United Methodist Church

Canned Soup	Salad Dressing	Canned Vegetables	Canned Fruit	Tuna	Peanut Butter
Relish	Spaghetti/Pasta	Pasta Sauce	Complete Meal Kits	Fruit Cups	Condiments
Mac & Cheese	Juice	Coffee	Tea Bags	Cereal	Jelly
Jelly	Pudding	Jell-O	Ketchup	Mustard	Spices
Pie Filling	Flour	Sugar	Chocolate Chips	Cake Mixes	Baking Powder
Powdered Sugar	Cocoa	Cleaning Supplies	Plastic Wrap	Foil	Kleenex
Shampoo	Toothpaste	Hand Soap	Paper Towels	Laundry Detergent	Toilet Paper

707 Winfield Road, Cabot, PA 16023, Mon-Thurs 9:00am-1:00pm or contact the office to arrange another time. 724-352-2074

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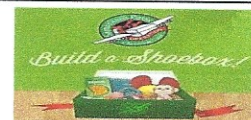
Food distribution is on the third Wednesday of every month.

We have 2 time slots: 10:00 am – noon and 4:30 – 6:30 pm.

Cabot UMC has a wonderful Food Bank, run by a group of dedicated, kind, and welcoming volunteers. The volunteers assess the needs, take inventory, order, sort, and distribute the food each month to community members. If you live in the area and are in need of assistance, please check to see if you are eligible based on the financial and geographic guidelines.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD
November Items



We are in need of some specific items to finish our boxes!

Colored Pencils

Pencil Sharpeners

Notebooks/Composition Books

T-shirts (All Sizes)

Rulers (6" or 12")

Nail Clippers

Kid's Socks

Combs

Colored Markers

Plastic cups

Erasers

Men's Socks

Water Bottles

Join us for our Packing Party on Sunday, November 13 after the Worship Service!

The suggested donation for shipping, teaching materials, instruction, is \$10 per box this year. That's not a lot to ship the gospel all around the world! It can cost 3 times as much to ship a box this size just a few states away in the U.S. Donations for shipping are always welcomed!

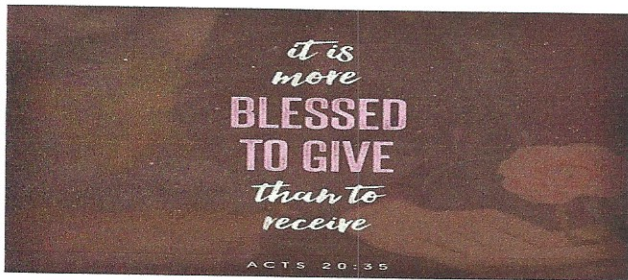
Please mark items OCC and place in the wooden bin in the lobby. You can drop items off at any time (you don't need to wait for the appropriate month). Monetary donations can be made as well, which go towards shipping costs or purchasing additional items to fill the shoeboxes.

If you have any questions, concerns, or ideas for this ministry please contact me. I am always excited to try something new and share my excitement with all of you and those beautiful children in our world!

Paula Scott (fellowship@cabotumc.com)



Did you know you can give your tithes and financial offerings electronically on our website? Click on the "Give" button on our home page, cabotumc.com, where you can create an account and securely give. Also, you can directly mail in your offering to the church at 707 Winfield Rd, Cabot, Pa 16023, just mark your offering as to where you want it designated on your envelope. We thank you for your generosity towards God's church.



Special Penny Offering Results

October Penny Offering
to Bibles for Ukraine
\$312.37



November Penny Offering to
Voice of the Martyrs .

(11/19 & 11/20) – 3rd weekend

Thank you to all who contributed.

You are making a difference!



Special Thank You to Barb Jones for sewing new covers for our Communion Trays! The new covers will prolong the life of the brass.



November Birthdays

Jeannie Woncheck	4th
Bradley McGee	8th
Sennett Purcell	9th
Amelia Dovey	10th
Guinevere Schleich	11th
Bonnie Yates	11th
Shelbie Moser	14th
Rachel Christley	15th
Joseph Infantino	18th
Katherine Fehl	22nd
Frank Hartle, Jr.	24th
Corrie Kennedy	26th
Marilyn Anderson	27th

November Anniversaries

Karle & Marilyn Anderson 7th



Contact Sarah Smith if you have questions regarding Secret Sisters at

724-352-3827 or
langmedic26@msn.com



THE ROCK YOUTH MINISTRY

THE LORD IS MY ROCK – PSALM 18:2

Rock is still in need of youth leaders, more so this coming winter. There is no planning involved. We just need a few extra people so we meet the Safe Sanctuaries policy. If you feel a calling or have any questions, please contact me. We could really use your supervision!

Rock has candles left over from the spring candle sale. If you are interested in any of these, please let me know. We have 1 Citrus Medley, 3 Rain, 2 Farmhouse Kitchen, 4 Island Coconut, 4 Linen, 6 Moms Apple Pie, 3 Lilac, 3 Cupcake and 3 Black Raspberry Vanilla.

If anyone has a small microwave that they are no longer using, Rock could use one.

November Meeting Dates

Wednesday, November 2 nd	5:30 – 7:30 pm	Youth Group
Friday, November 4 th	6:00 – 9:00 pm	Friday with Friends (Costume party/ escape room)
Saturday, November 5 th	6:15-9:00 pm	Bowling/Laser Tag with youth
Sunday, November 6 th	5:30 – 7:30 pm	Youth Group
Wednesday, November 9 th	5:30 – 7:30 pm	Youth Group/making cookies
Sunday, November 13 th	5:00 – 7:30 pm	Youth Group/making cookies
Wednesday, November 16 th	5:30 – 7:30 pm	Youth Group/making cookies
Sunday, November 20 th	5:00 – 7:30 pm	Youth Group/making cookies
Friday, November 25 th		Holiday Parade
Wednesday, November 30 th	5:30 – 7:30 pm	Youth Group

Any questions about the Youth Ministry? Contact: Paula Duke, Youth Director @ youth@cabotumc.com or 724-968-6001

Rock youth will be making cookies to pass out at the Holiday Parade this year. Please have supplies by November 13th. We are in need of the following supplies:

- * Sugar
- * Flour
- * Eggs
- * Brown Sugar
- * M & M's
- * Chocolate Chips
- * Baking Soda
- * Baking Powder
- * Small, sealable bags to put the cookies in

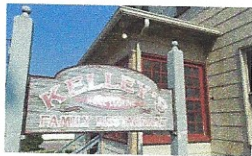
cookies



Prayer Shawl
Ministry



Prayer Squares are a smaller, more portable version of a prayer shawl. They can be kept with you at all times in your pocket, purse, or backpack. They can be a reminder to stop and pray for someone or some situation. If you or a family member is in need of a prayer square, there is a basket of them on the table in the Welcome Center. Feel free to take as many as you need. Also, if you or someone you know is in need of a Prayer Shawl, please take one from the gray cupboard in the Red Room. There is a notebook in which to record the shawl taken and to whom it is going. There are also bags and tissue paper if you wish to use them. If you would like one of the Prayer Shawl members to help you, please ask. The Prayer Shawl group meets the 2nd Monday of each month in room 14 at 7:00pm! Contact Bonnie Yates if you have any questions! Thank you.



MEN'S BREAKFAST
3rd Saturday of the Month

November 19th @ 8:00 AM

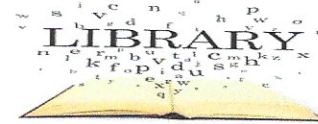
Kelley's Family Restaurant
130 W. Main Street, Saxonburg
Questions – Contact Rich James @

**HELP
WANTED!**

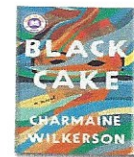


COATS FOR KIDS
ANNUAL COLLECTION
SOON TO BEGIN!
Smaller coats for children
appreciated!
Dates of collection TBA

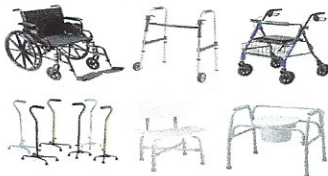
Lead a Group: You can lead a group in studying the Bible or reading a Christian book! Even if you never have before, we can provide you with training and materials to lead a discussion that will help others (and you!) grow in their faith. You can lead using a book you choose, or select from the many excellent ones we have available. We are looking for new groups during Sunday school and other times during the week. Contact Jacy Barbiaux (program@cabotumc.com) or Pastor Jonathan for



Book Club will be held on
November 17th @ 6pm.
November's Book selection is



Black Cake by Charmaine Wilkerson
Questions: Contact Kate Lindsey
library@cabotumc.com



PASTORAL CARE – MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

If you need medical equipment, please call Elaine Hinderliter at 724-352-1936. Also, if you have borrowed medical equipment and no longer are using it, you may return it to the church and inform us so others will have use of it.

We also have an electric scooter to give to anyone who can use it.

November 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<p>1</p> <p>11am Prayer Fitness 6pm Chapel Prayer Time 8pm Young Adult Group</p>	<p>2</p> <p>1:30pm Mahjong 6:30pm Life Group for Men (offsite)</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9am-2:30pm Home Education Day 6pm-9pm Matrona Open</p>	<p>4</p> <p>6pm Friday with Friends</p>	<p>5</p> <p>All Saints Day 6pm Worship</p>
<p>6</p> <p>All Saints Day 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 11:45am 20yr Celebration 5:30pm Rock Youth</p>	<p>7</p> <p>6pm Praise Band practice 6:30pm Healing Service</p>	<p>8</p> <p>11am Prayer Fitness 6pm Chapel Prayer Time 8pm Young Adult Group</p>	<p>9</p> <p>10:30am-12pm Pre-K Open Gym 1:30pm Mahjong 5:30pm Rock Youth 6:30pm Life Group for Men (offsite)</p>	<p>10</p> <p>9am-2:30pm Home Education Day 6pm-9pm Matrona Open</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>6pm Worship</p>
<p>13</p> <p>International Day of Prayer for Persecuted Christians 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 11:45am OCC Packing 5:30pm Rock Youth</p>	<p>14</p> <p>8:30am Food Bank Truck Delivery 10am Prayer Shawls 5:30pm Food Bank Packing 6pm Admin Board 6pm Upward Evals</p>	<p>15</p> <p>11am Prayer Fitness 6pm Chapel Prayer Time 8pm Young Adult Group 6pm Upward Evals</p>	<p>16</p> <p>1:30pm Mahjong 6:30pm Life Group for Men (offsite) 6pm Upward Evals</p>	<p>17</p> <p>9am-2:30pm Home Education Day 6pm Book Club with Kate 6pm Upward Evals 6pm-9pm Matrona</p>	<p>18</p> <p>6pm Upward Evals</p>	<p>19</p> <p>8am Men's Breakfast @ Kelly's 6pm Worship</p>
<p>20</p> <p>9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 11:45am Hanging of the Greens 5:30pm Rock Youth</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>11am Prayer Fitness 6pm Chapel Prayer Time 8pm Young Adult Group</p>	<p>23</p> <p>1:30pm Mahjong 6:30pm Life Group for Men (offsite)</p>	<p>24</p> <p>THANKSGIVING</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Holiday Parade-Saxonburg</p>	<p>26</p> <p>6pm Worship</p>
<p>27</p> <p>First Sunday of Advent 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship</p>	<p>28</p> <p>6:30pm COM Meeting</p>	<p>29</p> <p>11am Prayer Fitness 6pm Chapel Prayer Time 8pm Young Adult Group</p>	<p>30</p> <p>10:30am-12pm Pre-K Open Gym 1:30pm Mahjong 6:30pm Life Group for Men (offsite)</p>			

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See enclosed calendar for full schedule. For latest updates, sign up for the CUMC Happenings email or check the CUMC calendar.

- November 4 Friday With Friends Costume Party
- November 5 All Saints Worship Service
- November 6 20 Year Celebration Pot Luck after Worship
- November 7 Healing Service
- November 13 Operation Christmas Child Box Packing
- November 14 Food Bank Truck Delivery
Food Bank Packing
Upward Evaluations Begin
Admin Board Meeting
- November 16 Food Bank
- November 17 Book Club with Kate
- November 19 Men's Breakfast at Kelly's
- November 20 Hanging of the Greens

- November 24 Thanksgiving
- November 25 Holiday Parade-Saxonburg
- November 27 First Sunday of Advent

Save the dates...

- December 2 Friday With Friends Advent Wreath making
- December 4 Delmont Pilgrimage
- December 12 Admin Board Meeting
- December 17 Men's Breakfast at Kelly's
- December 19 Food Bank Truck Delivery
Food Bank Packing
- December 21 Food Bank
- December 24 Christmas Eve Worship
- December 25 Christmas Day, Sunday Worship
- December 26 COM Meeting????
- December 29 NO Book Club