What's Happening?

Week of January 14 - 21, 2024

*Sunday, January 14 – Human Relations Sunday

10:00 AM – Worship* - Sanctuary

10:00 AM – Children's Church School -Sanctuary

11:00 AM - Coffee Fellowship - Cargill Hall

11:15 AM - Confirmation Informational Meeting - Vestry

Monday, January 15 (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)

6:00 PM – Troop 1 Boy Scouts - Cargill Hall

7:00 PM – Church Council Meeting - Zoom

Tuesday, January 16

6:30 PM – Prayer Meeting - Zoom

7:00 PM – Troop 1 Girl Scouts - Cargill Hall

Wednesday, January 17

9:30 AM – Prayer Shawl Ministry - Library

11:00 AM – Meet Pastor Heather - Phantom Farms

7:00 PM - Adult Spiritual Formation - Zoom

Thursday, January 18

7:30 PM - Arnold Mills Cemetery Meeting - Cargill Hall

Friday, January 19

5:00 PM - Pinewood Derby Setup - Cargill Hall

Saturday, January 20

8:00 AM - Pinewood Derby - Cargill Hall

*Sunday, January 21 – 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

10:00 AM – Worship* - Sanctuary

10:00 AM - Children's Church School -Sanctuary

11:00 AM - Coffee Fellowship - Cargill Hall

11:15 AM—New Members Meeting—Vestry

*Worship with us Onsite & Livestreamed on Facebook.

Recording available after 11 AM www.amumc.org.

	January 14	January 21
Greeters	Jan & Ross Hancock	Bolaji & Lola Campbell
Acolyte	Pedro Cardoso	Allie Stewart
Liturgist	David Raymond	Jean Clark
Coffee Hour	Finance Committee	Paul & Karen Roeber

Practicing Our Faith

Sharing our Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service & Witness

Welcome to the Arnold Mills United Methodist Church. Whether it's your first time or you have worn a groove in "your" pew, we are glad you are here. We hope you connect with God and our community as we follow Jesus, love our neighbors, and change the world. Children are welcome to participate fully in worship. Their giggles, singing and laughing are sounds of life. Children will go to Sunday School downstairs after children's time with the pastor.

PRAYERS

Holding our neighbors, community and world in God's love

Answered Prayer

- Tom Hetherington is home and doing well. They now have to wait six weeks to see the results of the surgery. Tom and Ann send their thanks for your prayers.

Please pray for

- Joyce Fox whose only sister died last Sunday. May God's comfort and peace be with the whole family and all who grieve.

Please continue to pray for

- Bob Beckwith and his wife in Florida. Bob has metastatic bone cancer.
- -Meredith Straight, in the Holiday Skilled Nursing Home & Senior Rehabilitation Center
- Karen Oswain's great nephew Brooks T, born 10 weeks early, in the NICU
- Audrey, Sharon Bizier's coworker and friend, living with cancer
- People living with Parkinson's and their loved ones
- All who are pregnant or awaiting adoption
- The people of Israel, Palestine, Lebanon and Egypt
- -The people of Ukraine and Russia
- People living with cancer and their loved ones.
- Couples and families going through divorce
- Dierdre Thompson, experiencing kidney failure and on dialysis.
- Muriel Campanelli, Sherry & Bob Campanelli's sister-in-law, to regain her health
- -Prayers for all those in nursing homes and assisted living facilities who are facing isolation and loneliness, including Margaret Kelly and Betty Jordan.
- Bishop Peggy Johnson & District Superintendent Rev. Wanda Santos-Perez

Please tell us when prayers are answered so we can give thanks.

PRESENCE

Join us as we learn and grow together as disciples

Our current worship series begins. "In a New Light," explores the way the church has historically read some scriptures to condemn and exclude, particularly lgbt+ children of God. Join us as we explore new ways to read these texts, contextually, and "Draw the Circle Wide."

Are you interested in joining our church? Some new members will be joining on January 28 and you can join them. **Stick around after worship 1/21** for a brief conversation with Pastor Heather to learn more.

Are you interested in confirmation? Today, January 14, after worship, parents and youth join Pastor Heather for a brief meeting to learn more about the confirmation process: what is it, how long will it take, when will it happen, etc.

GIFTS

Resourcing Mission and Ministry at AMUMC

Earn free donations whenever you shop online with iGive.com. 1893 socially-responsible stores make donations, that cost you nothing. Learn more or sign up, visit: https://www.iGive.com/rgLzU. Select--Arnold Mills United Methodist Church.

SERVICE

Love In Action

Cintas Clothing Donation and the St. James Episcopal Church Clothing Closet

The twice monthly clothing donations continue from the Cintas Warehouse in Woonsocket to the St. James Church clothing closet. The delivery schedule is posted in the coat room. The Clothing Closet is requesting donations of children's clothing. Those items can be placed in the hallway at our church and they will be delivered to St. James Church by our volunteers.

The Woonsocket Shelter

The Woonsocket Shelter has received donations of personal care items and household items (sheets, towels, quilts, curtains, etc.) for families to relocate into independent living when they leave the shelter. In addition, AMUMC volunteers have been donating day old baked goods from area supermarkets – currently Dave's Marketplace – for over 15 years to the shelter. On Fridays, Elton and Rachel Odom make the weekly deliveries to the Shelter.

Meals in the Park

AMUMC handed out 140 meals of chop suey, vegetable soup and homemade desserts. We also gave away winter hats, gloves, coats and a surprise big hit ski pants! Our next meal is Sunday February 18th. Please save any bags with handles (paper or plastic) for this meal. Thank you very much. Karen 401-749-3609

WITNESS

Working for Justice in our community, state and nation

Today is Human Relations Day a denomination wide Special Sunday set aside to celebrate and raise awareness to further the development of better human relations by involving congregations in community and youth outreach. Gifts received from a special offering taken the Sunday before Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday build King's vision of "the beloved community" through programs such as Community Developers and United Methodist Voluntary Services and Youth Offender Rehabilitation Programs. Churches are encouraged to donate through their local churches or give online.

Last year, your generosity (through November 2023) delivered \$273,514 towards these ministries: 57 % of the funds received support community developer programs that strive to build, maintain, promote and strengthen racial-ethnic minority congregations through local UMC congregations. Community developers engage depending on a community's needs.

33% support **The United Methodist Voluntary Services (UMVS)** that serves as a resource to congregations, volunteer-based groups, and programs that challenge unjust political, social, and economic systems which threaten the livelihoods of people.

10% support **rehabilitation programs.** These programs work to strengthen youth empowerment programs that provide positive avenues for youth participation in their communities through the churches, mentoring programs, and boys/girls clubs.

For more than half a century, United Methodists have observed this churchwide special Sunday in recognition of the message Jesus demonstrated during his life: all of God's children are important. One of the wonderful aspects of The United Methodist Church is that we can do so much more together than we ever could do on our own. Our gifts are part of building "the beloved community."

Want to learn more about what's going on at our church?

Scan the QR code to sign up for our monthly newsletter, weekly emails, and more.



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