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Old North United Methodist Church

Our mission is
"To Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World"

Join us for Drive-in worship service each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. and tune into 87.9 FM on your radio. You can also access our worship services by going to www.oldnorthumc.com and click on the link on the home page.



Laity Sunday

October 18, 2020

Lectionary Reading This Week

Exodus 33:12-23
Psalms 99
Thessalonians 1:1-10
Matthew 22:15-22

Welcome to Worship

Welcome to Old North, home to the historic 1832 Chapel

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2020

Welcome		Clete Davis
Prelude	<i>“Minuetto”</i>	Nicolo Paganini
Invocation		
Children’s Message		Bruce Wright
Invitation To Prayer		
Silent Prayer		
Pastoral Prayer		
Lord’s Prayer		
Giving to God		
Offertory Sentence		
Offertory	<i>“Waltz in C# minor”</i>	Frederic Chopin
Offertory Prayer		
Scripture	Matthew 22:15-22	Clara Downen
Sermon		Clete Davis
Hymn of Response	“”	
Postlude	<i>“Suite No. 7 in G Minor, V: Gigue”</i>	George Frideric Handel

Prayer Requests

Erik Arneson	Mike Gerard
Seth Adams	Wayne Gideon
Joshua Althouse	Joyce Greiner
Pam (’Antes) Bailey	Pat Hearn
Ashley Barrett	Casey Hill & Family
Bob Barron	Lori Bell Knight
Mary Bear	Mary Lamb
Sherrie Conner	August Leslie
Rocklynn Crawford	Pat Mandel
Jeff Dodson and family	Bill McCune
Micah Easley & family	Carol Morris
D. J. Edmonston	Sally & Joe Pack
Carole Fox	Matthew Parker
Connie French	Rick Pountain
David French	Cruz Short
Toni French	Tom Smock
Stephanie Fuquay	Alan Stremming
Fred Hand Sr.	Lee & Bill Thomas
Doris Lagow	Annette Williams
Richard Lamping	Jason & Ah Young
Eric Seastrunk	

Those in Uniform

Jacob Althouse
Jason Lewis
Grant Nickens

Homebound Prayer Requests

Hamilton Pointe

Howard Norlin - Apt. 120

Heritage

Gerald Kuhn

Holiday

Barb Schaefer - Apt. 101

Pine Haven Health & Rehab

Dorris Lagow

Signature Healthcare

Mary Pountain

West River Health Campus

Syl Winternheimer

If you have a need or prayer request, you may call or text Dianne Hobbs at (812) 746-3394 or send an email to office@oldnorthumc.com.

FAIR TRADE CORNER

Fair Trade companies like Mira bring us products from India, such as this picture frame made from recycled bicycle parts. Mira helps fund an artisan group called Noah's Ark, which provides a school for their artisans' children. They also work with Khamir Group, who are involved in digging wells and other water projects. Clean water, good educations for children...all of these assist in fostering better child health.



We are proud to be members of the Fair Trade Federation! Visit www.fairtradefederation.org to learn more about what that means. And be sure to stop by the Old North Fair Trade Market soon to check out our beautiful items from around the world!

The Old North Fair Trade Market is open every Saturday from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. and on Sundays following the Drive-In Service.

UNITED METHODIST MEN FUNDRAISER EVENT

On November 6 and 7 (Friday and Saturday) the Men's Group is once again organizing a fundraiser using the Fall Festival Booth. We will be selling fish sandwiches and pulled pork butt sandwiches just north of McDonalds on First Avenue. The difference with this fundraiser is that different organizations within Old North can have the opportunity to make some money.

We are extending an invitation to all members of Old North that are interested. You would sign in to be credited with the hours you work. You then designate the organization that you would like to support (such as UMW, MOPS, Pre-school, Fair Trade, etc.). The profit of the fundraiser will be proportionately distributed based on how many hours were designated. The specific hours necessary for this fundraiser and sign-up information will be available in the next bulletin.

INTENTIONAL FAITH DEVELOPMENT SERIES CONTINUES THIS SUNDAY!

Anxiety - Finding Comfort and Reassurance from God

Shallow breathing or even a feeling that you can't breathe. Constant negative thoughts. Inability to focus. Most of us relate in some way to these feelings. Anxiety is that vague feeling that something isn't right, that something bad may happen. Join the Intentional Faith Development class this Sunday at 11:00 on Zoom as we study the scriptures to help us deal with the anxiety we all feel these days.

If you would like to join this always-interesting class but do not receive the Zoom invitation, please contact Raaf Stevens at rfsnas@yahoo.com or Jeannette Oakley at jltoakley@gmail.com. New perspectives are always welcome!

Thursday Night Bible Study Group

The Thursday Night Bible Study group is starting a new series called Don't Give Up!



This 6 part series is from Kyle Idleman who is the pastor of a large church in Louisville, Kentucky. The video each week highlights scripture from the book of Hebrews and testimonials. These testimonials show people at the most difficult times of their lives and how God helped them make it through the trying times. A zoom invitation is sent weekly for Thursdays from 5:45 pm to approximately 7:30 pm. Please, join us for this inspiring study.

Vital Statistics

Sunday, October 11, 2020

Attendance	
Drive-in-Service	
Virtual Service	40
Contributions	\$5955.00
Bibles	\$ 5.00



The Mountain Mission Truck pick-up is Tuesday, November 3, 2020. Please have all your donated items in the back of the Fellowship Hall no later than Monday, November 2, 2020. If you have questions about drop off email the office at office@oldnorthumc.com or call or text Dianne at 812-746-3394.



Birthdays this week

18 Bev Salmon
20 Julie Allen



Anniversaries this Week

20 Kim & Ron Schuster
21 Connie & Donnie French

Tithes & Offerings From the Treasurer/Finance Committee:

Our incoming pledge money has continued to slip and to date is down more than \$45000. While Thanksgiving and Christmas typically help end the year on a positive note, your continued and generous giving, even with the uncertainty of 2020, is critical.

JUST FOR FUN

**People who ask
me what I'm doing
tomorrow
probably assume
that I even know
what day of the
week it is.**

UNITED CARING SHELTER

Dear Old North family,

When the pandemic began, the meal preparation switched from the United Caring Shelter kitchen to preparing the meals at Old North. The meals are then transported to UCS in aluminum containers and served by the staff. Despite COVID, we have not missed preparing one meal. A big thank you to our serving team and the Old North congregation which supports this ministry. Since September 2018, we have served over 2600 meals to Evansville's homeless.

Over the summer months, our dessert was watermelon. But summer is over and the delicious local watermelons are no more. We would like to switch back to the ever-popular homemade fruit bread. If you are interested in donating fruit bread for the dessert, please have it in Fellowship Hall by Tuesday, October 20 or you can drop it off at the home of Bruce Wright or Mike Peden. Thank you.

Old North UCS team.

WEEKLY DEVOTIONALS AND PRAYERS

"How to Call Blessings into Your Life"

Many years ago, at the convocation that began my time in divinity school, I heard a sermon that I've never forgotten. The preacher shared the story of a woman who was walking along the beach on a cloudy day, lost in thought and enjoying the solitude. Her reverie was interrupted by the sound of someone shouting just up the beach from where she stood. It was a man, just visible through the mist. His arms wide, he shouted, "Come, blessings!" He turned toward the water, then away from the woman, again shouting, "Come, blessings, come!"

The woman stopped in her tracks, taking in the scene. Her pensive mood deepening, she thought about the pure, direct spiritual appeal she was witnessing. Here was a man, she thought, who had made his way to the quiet, enduring presence of nature to call blessings into his life, to literally shout into the wind for the blessings he yearned for.

She started walking again, hoping to speak to the man and thank him for the much-needed inspiration she had gleaned from his spiritual practice. As she walked, the wind continued to carry his voice. "Come, blessings! Come, blessings, come!" She started to speak the simple, powerful words along with him, feeling buoyed and increasingly freed each time. Then, just as suddenly as when she first heard him, the man stopped shouting. And just as suddenly as when she first noticed him, the woman stopped walking.

A big, floppy-eared dog bounded joyfully toward the man, seeming to have emerged mystically from the mist. The woman was close enough to the man to hear him, as he tousled the dog's fur, exclaim, "Blessings! There you are! I thought I had lost you!" At first the woman felt silly, having confused a dog named Blessings for a profound moment of communion with the divine. But as she continued on her walk, she smiled contentedly. The message she had received, the inspiration to ask clearly and plainly for the goodness, hope, peace and other blessings she yearned for, was real, even if the bearer of the message had four legs and a tail.

Perhaps, she thought, it was not a coincidence that the man had named his dog Blessings. And perhaps the dog had not been lost at all.

Holly Lebowitz Rossi
Guide Posts, Posted in Inspiring Stories, Sep 22, 2020