



# The Messenger

January 2022

*We live to proclaim the love of Jesus Christ!*

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*“I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.” —1<sup>st</sup> Timothy 1:6-7*

Beginning a new year is a time for taking stock, reflecting on who we’ve been and who we hope to become. For some of us this means becoming a few pounds lighter or a few dollars richer by setting new fitness or savings goals. For those of you who are members of Memorial United Methodist Church, I pray this will be a time of reflecting on who you are in Jesus Christ and whose you are as baptized children of God, ministering together as the Body of Christ through this particular congregation. If you’re not a member, I pray this will be a time of considering what next faithful step God may be calling you to take in your spiritual journey, perhaps connecting more intentionally to Memorial UMC. I pray we are all setting goals to grow in faith and share in ministry.

On Sunday, Jan. 9, we’re going to be renewing our baptismal and membership covenant and sharing in the sacrament of holy communion. We’ll also be recognizing those who have been called and elected to lead us in our ministry and missions. To help prepare for that, I’m inviting us all to read and reflect on paragraphs 217 and 219 from the 2016 *Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church*.

¶ 217. When persons unite as professing members with a local United Methodist church, they profess their faith in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; in Jesus Christ his only Son; and in the Holy Spirit. Thus, they make known their desire to live their daily lives as disciples of Jesus Christ. They covenant together with God and with the members of the local church to keep the vows which are part of the order of confirmation and reception into the Church:

1. To renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of the world, and repent of their sin;
2. To accept the freedom and power God gives them to resist evil, injustice, and oppression;
3. To confess Jesus Christ as Savior, put their whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as their Lord;
4. To remain faithful members of Christ’s holy church and serve as Christ’s representatives in the world;
5. To be loyal to Christ through The United Methodist Church and do all in their power to strengthen its ministries;
6. To faithfully participate in its ministries by their prayers, their presence, their gifts, their service, and their witness;
7. To receive and profess the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

¶ 219. *Mutual Responsibility*—Faithful discipleship includes the obligation to participate in the corporate life of the congregation with fellow members of the body of Christ. A member is bound in sacred covenant to shoulder the burdens, share the risks, and celebrate the joys of fellow members. A Christian is called to speak the truth in love, always ready to confront conflict in the spirit of forgiveness and reconciliation.

What does membership in Memorial UMC and the Body of Christ mean to you? What are you planning to do about it in 2022? I’d be glad to hear from any of you or to explore together what membership may mean for you. And may God be with us all in this new year of proclaiming the love of Jesus Christ at Memorial UMC.

*Pastor Cathy*

## Sunday Worship for January

### Jan. 9 – A Covenant of Grace

*Luke 3:15-16, 21-22*

Hear the story of Jesus' baptism as we renew our own baptismal vows, recognize our congregational leaders for 2022, and share holy communion. Plan to stay after worship to share your questions and suggestions with committee leaders and, maybe, discover where God is calling you to plug into our ministries this year.

### Jan. 16 – A Community of Gifts

*Psalm 36; I Corinthians 12:1-11*

Christmas has come and gone, so what are we doing with the gifts we've been given? Might there be some gifts we haven't even opened yet? Our Church Band will be back to share their musical gifts with us, it's a "noisy offering" Sunday for Heifer Project, and it's a special offering Sunday for Human Relations Day.

### Jan. 23 – A Chorus of Glory (with Stories)

*Psalm 100; Colossians 3:12-17*

We're singing the hymns and praise songs you pick and sharing your stories of what they mean to you (see details on how to have your song and story included in the "Sharing Our Faith through Songs and Stories" article). The Glory Ringers Handbell Choir will be ringing too.

### Jan. 30 – A Culture of Growth

*I Corinthians 3:1-9; 13:1-13*

Wisdom from the Apostle Paul on what may divide us and hold us together as we grow in God's love.

## Sharing Our Faith through Songs and Stories – Jan. 23

It's like a hymn sing, but with stories too! You're invited to pick a hymn or song you'd like us to sing in worship Sunday, Jan. 23, but you have to tell us why. To submit your song and story, contact the church office by email, phone, or drop by before Jan. 13. This gives our worship team time to locate music, learn new songs, and organize the order. Please provide the song title and where to find it (we may be able to help if you don't know). *And*, share a paragraph or two about why the song has meaning for you—how it inspires, comforts or challenges you, or what memory, person or experience it connects you to. On Jan. 23, you can share your story or, if you prefer, jot it down and we'll read it for you. It's a great opportunity to learn more about the songs we sing, the people we sing with from week to week, and how our songs and stories witness to our shared faith in Jesus Christ.

## Links to Worship

Find an up-to-date schedule for activities, links to on-line worship, and our current prayer list on the church website: [www.gladstonechurch.org](http://www.gladstonechurch.org). You're welcome to call the office with questions: 428-9311, or email: [mumc@gladstonechurch.org](mailto:mumc@gladstonechurch.org). Worship information, links, livestreaming, and videos are also on YouTube and Facebook:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBY-ZTh99gQBtHG3n2kbyuQ>

<https://www.facebook.com/Memorial-United-Methodist-Church-of-Gladstone-MI-117593394926699/>

## Leadership Sunday – Jan. 9

On Sunday, Jan. 9, we'll be recognizing our congregational leaders and committees. Please plan to worship, in-person or livestreaming, at 10:30 a.m. if you are serving on a committee or in a leadership position. We'll express our appreciation for the leaders who have completed their terms and install our new leaders. At our coffee and conversation time after worship, we'll have some extra goodies to munch and time to visit with representatives from each committee. This is everyone's opportunity to learn more about the organization and ministry of Memorial, to offer your suggestions, and to figure out how best you can support and participate in our work together this year. As we move forward in ministry Memorial UMC's leadership has committed to these five goals for 2022:

- † Offering congregational care and connection by personally being in touch.
- † Developing our next generation of leaders
- † Engaging in mission outreach through hands-on opportunities to serve
- † Learning and practicing the skills we need to share our faith with others
- † Building community partnerships to make full use of our facilities

Please come and see who those leaders are and, then together, let's go and do the work of ministry!

## Human Relations Day – Jan. 16

The United Methodist denomination has six Special Sunday offerings each year to highlight our shared commitment to ministry. The first Special Sunday offering of the year is for Human Relations Day. Your gift helps to overcome injustice and empowers those struggling to survive through these ministries:

- U.M. Community Development Program 57%
- U.M. Voluntary Services Program 33%
- Young Offender Rehabilitation Program 10%

## **“The Gift Box”**

We have a new way to celebrate those you love and care about! The Gift Box is wrapped in blue with a gold bow on top. It’s located under the bulletin boards in the narthex. You can give a gift to celebrate a milestone, like a birthday, anniversary, baptism, graduation; an accomplishment, like good grades, getting a driver’s license, winning a big game, retiring; or just to say, “I’m thinking about,” “miss you,” “appreciate what you did,” or whatever other encouraging message may be on your mind.

### ***And it’s simple:***

1. Put your gift of cash or check in The Gift Box.
2. Take a pre-printed “a gift has been given to celebrate you” card.
3. Give the pre-printed card to the person you’re celebrating.

That’s it! There’s also a “Gift Box” icon on the Square Reader and on our church website’s ([www.gladstonechurch.org](http://www.gladstonechurch.org)) contribution page for electronic giving.

All contributions received through The Gift Box go to our general fund for the operating expenses that make our ministries and missions happen. To keep it simple for us and personal for you, it’s up to you to let the person you’re celebrating know (the church won’t be communicating with that person).

The Gift Box is for all ages. Maybe your grandmother doesn’t need another pair of fuzzy socks, but she’d be thrilled to know you’re celebrating her by supporting the church. Any amount, any time, for anyone! Let’s make this a fun way to celebrate each other’s special days and moments, while helping to make ministry happen.

## **Dedicate A Sunday**

Wanting to do something a bit bigger to celebrate a loved one? For \$300, you can “Dedicate A Sunday” in honor or memory of someone. Contact the office to schedule a Sunday. We’ll include your dedication in the announcements, with a projected photo of the person you’re celebrating (if you supply one).

## ***From the Finance Committee—***

With another year behind us a HUGE “Thank You” to everyone who supported Memorial UMC financially. We have many faithful people, regardless if they are attending worship in-person or not, giving on a regular basis. All 2021 operating expenses were paid including 100% of our denominational Ministry Shares, which connect us to United Methodists in Michigan and around the world. Our giving to

Missions also grew this year, making a difference locally and meeting all the goals of being an “EngageMI” congregation.

Pastor Cathy found in the library a budget from 1972, 50 years ago, and the total budget for the 1972 year was \$26,984. Missions had a total budget of \$150, Pastor’s salary and all other paid positions was \$10,525, and Ministry Shares was \$3,127. Our current budget is around **\$200,000**, Ministry Shares are \$20,157, and Missions are distributing over \$20,000. Total payroll is a little over \$80,000.

We are anticipating a more “normal year” in 2022, hoping for our fundraisers to continue, larger groups gathering, and use of the church building to be busier. There are no major projects planned by the trustees. Continued maintenance will be done. Carpeting is going to be replaced in the spring both in Pastor’s and Lisa’s offices.

The stewardship campaign for 2022 finished up with 36 pledges and a total of \$102,902. We are appreciative of those whose pledge cards were returned and hopeful those of you who did not pledge continue to give on a regular basis. Our goal is to continue our ministry and missions at Memorial at least at the level it is now if not more.

The finance committee is always available if one has any questions or concerns. Again thank you, each and every one of you, who support the work of Memorial church.

Virginia Petersen, Finance Chair

## **Evangelism for Non-Evangelists**

One of our 2022 goals is learning and practicing the skills we need to share our faith with others. Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary is offering a six-week webinar for churches Feb. 8 – March 15, live Wednesdays 7-8:30 p.m. (available as recordings after). Church Council recommends this, especially for our church leadership, as well as anyone else who may be interested. Details and a short video are at this link: <https://www.garrett.edu/connectional-learning/evangelism-non-evangelists-0>

If at least two others from the congregation are committed to participating, Pastor Cathy will register for the continuing education credit and invites others to join her at church for the webinars and to work through the materials. The course is designed for groups from churches to participate together and to engage with seminary students.

If you have questions or would like to commit to this, please contact Pastor Cathy or Lisa in the office by Monday, Jan. 24.

## Clothes Closet News

**Expanded Hours:** The Clothes Closet is open the first and third Saturdays 9–noon, and MTWR 9-2.

### **In December:**

Dec. 3, donated 31 coats to Bay College's Professional Women's coat drive to be distributed to the Salvation Army and Safe Harbor.

Dec. 10, donated a large tote of clothes to the Delta County Foster Closet to help with a current need.

After Christmas Peggy plans to follow up on making connection with the Senior Center and the nursing/care homes for use of the closet.

If you know of anyone who may be in need of clothing, please contact the Office or Peggy Richter.

*At this time, we are not in need of any donations.*

## Knit Together with Love

On Dec. 10, the Wednesday Morning Knitting and Crocheting group delivered 23 afghans, shawls, and lap robes to Northwood Nursing Home. Peggy Richter also took afghans, a goodie bag, and handmade cards to Bill Gilbert at Jacobetti Home for Veterans, Eileen Collins at Murray's Country View, Marcy Makosky at Bishop Noa, and Marlene Maulding at Christian Park on behalf of the group and Memorial Church.

### **Sale: 33% off**

**Scarf & Hat sets** handmade by the Knitters are for sale: \$10/set. All proceeds go to Memorial's general fund.

Memorial United Methodist Knitters Group,

Thank you for the generous and beautiful gift of hats for our oncology patients.

~ Gail Deno,

Oncology Nurse Navigator

**2022 Offering Envelopes** are now available by the ushers' table. If you like to use offering envelopes, take a box and *write the number of the box next to your name*. You do not need to take a box in order to receive a giving statement at the end of the year. The Financial Secretary keeps track of all donations that are identifiable, i.e. a check, an electronic donation through Vanco or the Square Reader, or cash in any envelope marked with your name.

## Poinsettias given to the Glory of God in Memory of:

Parents: Irvin & Lydia MacKenzie and Walter & Mary Houghton

- - - - from Walt & Lettie Houghton

Roy and Lola Ness

- - - - from Denny, Connie, and family

Mark and Jean Snyder

- - - - from Denny, Connie, and family

Karl E. Warm- - from Denny, Connie, and family

Nancy Fase - - - - from Andy Fase

## Poinsettias given to the Glory of God in Honor of:

Grandchildren: Tyler (21), Emma (17) and Andrew Hampton (13) Anna (20), Nicholas (18) and Lauren Johnson (14) and Caleb (15), Morgan (14) and Clara Fisher (9)

- - - - from Dave and Berta Johnson

**New Arrival:** Dan and Val Johnson's daughter Ashlee gave birth to **Brantlee Thomas Marklin** on Dec. 27. He weighed 6 lbs., 14 oz. and was 18 inches. Welcome to our church family, Brantlee!



1/4 Marilee Demarse	1/15 Connie Breitzman
Willy Mannisto	Samuel Taylor
Clayton Numillien	1/16 Mark Demarse
1/8 Susan Lagina	1/19 Preston Adydan
Dave Landenberger	Leslie Coleman
Marvin Sodermark	Joyce Rabitoy
1/9 Kamryn LaVigne	1/20 Al Waeghe
1/10 Uriah Kuhlman	1/21 JoAnn Gudwer
1/11 Dominic Joslin	1/22 Pat Sodermark
1/13 Lexi Johnson	1/23 Kevin Warm
1/14 Bonnie Buchmiller	1/25 Becky Landenberger
Cole Possi	Devyn Waeghe
Sandy St. Aubin	1/27 Dennis Ness
	1/31 Aeden Creten

## Prayer List

Terry Alexander	Robert Anderson
Laurie Anderson	Betsy Anderson
Sarah Benson	Bud Baltic
Mark Bishop	Lorna Benson
Gerald Branstrom	Lois Boydston
Lois Cady	Tom Butch
Ginger Clairmont	Nancy Campbell
Bud & Pat Clark	Shirley Clark
Sharon Davis	Eileen Collins
Irving & Bette DeRoek	Kay Davison
Chris and Kim Diamond	Debbie Dew
Mike Esler	Bernie Erickson
Mary Hagen and family	John Fisher
Family of Janis Harrison	Nancy Harger
Barb Ingram	Caroline Hart
Alice Jensen	Al Jensen
Jordan	Ashlee Johnson
Jeff Lancour	Baby Kennedy
Angie Mader	Susan Lingren
Rebecca Marchak	Marcy Makosky
John and Nikki Mathias	Toni Marchese
Tim Menau and family	Tammy Martin
Zach Nardi	Chad Mileski
Sarah, Josiah and David Pryor	Lincoln Noel
Debbie Renkin	Bev Regts
Becky Sodermark	Margaret Richard
Bill Springer	Marvin Sodermark
Janet Stiles	Julie Springer
Ann VanSickle and family	Todd
Marianne Watson Milkowski	Al Waeghe
Jerry Wery	Charlene Waeghe
Family of Pam Harris	Donna Wilken
Family of Tom Hampton (Terry Hampton's brother)	
Family of Maryann Brayak	
Family of Laurie Talbert	
Family of Lori Anderson	
Family of Justin Gernaat	

**Prayer Ministry** – we maintain an up-to-date prayer list on our website: [www.gladstonechurch.org](http://www.gladstonechurch.org) and include the current list in Sunday's worship bulletin. If you would like to receive email updates each time a prayer request is added, please contact Lisa in the office: [mumc@gladstonechurch.org](mailto:mumc@gladstonechurch.org). And thank you for your ongoing prayer support.

Something you'd like to be reading more about in our newsletter? Please let us know. Something you'd like to share related to the ministries and mission of Memorial Church? Please let us know.

## Committee Kick-Off Jan. 18

On Tuesday, Jan. 18, at 6 p.m. the Church Council will be hosting a "Committee Kick-Off" for 2022. All leaders and committee members are expected to attend. We'll be reviewing our 2022 goals, financing, and schedules. After a couple of years of pandemic-related crisis management, we're starting this year with clear guidelines and expectations for the committee work and commitment we need to make ministry and mission happen.

## MUMC Quilters

### "Warmth for the Body and Soul"

Our quilting group started making quilts in 2016. We have had much help! The church memorial fund gave money that bought us shelving and the immediate necessities. Donations of sheets, blankets and fabric were given from St. Vincent de Paul as well as donations within our church and the community. Monies are also now secured through THRIVENT action plans (community outreach)!!! We must keep the machines going!

We have now made, blessed, and given between 700/800 quilts. We have given to Salvation Army, Tri-County Safe Harbor, MUMC graduates, Delta County Children's Advocacy Center, and local families that had house fires. This year we have given to five different Adult Foster care / assisted living facilities.

I was deeply moved by my stop at the Children's Advocacy Center. We can only imagine what some children see, experience, and live with/through. When the Family Advocate shared how these blankets give children (big and small) security, I was deeply moved! A BLANKET!!! They wrap up in them and curl into a ball! We certainly don't have to look far to see the needs of others ... Thank you, Lord, for the gifts and talents that you freely give to US, that we are able to help OTHERS! No 'ONE' can do everything, but EVERYONE can do something!

Feel free to join us on Wednesdays 9am – noon

We continue to accept and appreciate the dropped off fabric, sheets, and bed blankets. We use it all!! Thank you! You are appreciated!

~ Leroux Strom

**newsletter deadline:  
Thursday, Jan. 27**

## Moment in Missions

### Celebrations!

- From our November food drive, over 800 pounds of food and \$125 were split between the Salvation Army, Seventh Day Adventist, and both St. Vincent de Paul food pantries.
- A bountiful harvest was realized with venison being donated to four local food pantries. Look for an update for how many pounds were donated in the February newsletter. We thank Kole Desotelle and Teresa Myers for coordinating this project.
- Gift cards funded by undesignated mission giving were given to the staff at Northwoods Rehabilitation and US Department of Veterans Affairs as an outreach to our next-door neighbors and to honor their service and dedication to others in need.
- Christ Tree collection totaled \$600 and helped to make Christmas a bit brighter for three families connected to our congregation.
- Heifer International received \$500 that was doubled by generous donors to purchase cows.

### Opportunities to serve and give:

- The mission committee is looking for someone to coordinate the Bay College Campus Meal. This would involve picking a Monday during the winter semester to serve a meal, planning a menu, shopping for groceries, and coordinating the preparation of a meal to serve approximately 40 students. The meal is prepared in our church kitchen, packed in to-go containers, and picked up by the Campus minister. There are many who are ready and willing to help with this mission. If interested, please contact the church office or Jeanne Wescott at 906.399.2727.
- Jan. 9-16: Hope at the Inn- Please volunteer by signing up to help.
- Jan. 16: Noisy Offering for Heifer Project
- Jan. 16: Human Relations Day offering-supports ministries of social justice and outreach like the Community Developers, Volunteer Service and Youth Offender Rehabilitation Programs.

- Ongoing collection for school supplies and supplies for the Great Start Readiness Program at Mid Peninsula School. With the start of the new semester in January, many school supplies are needed to replace the ones worn down over the first semester. Items that are needed can be found at [https://p11cdn4static.sharpschool.com/UserFiles/Servers/Server\\_8273746/File/supply%20list%2021-22%20\(1\).pdf](https://p11cdn4static.sharpschool.com/UserFiles/Servers/Server_8273746/File/supply%20list%2021-22%20(1).pdf)
- Elmer's Community Cares Program: Donate points to MUMC and we can use it towards getting a \$100 gift card. This can be used to help offset grocery costs for projects like Bay Area Campus Ministry meals and Hope at the Inn meals. We currently have 73,824 points.

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### Hands-On Mission Trips

One of our five goals for 2022 in proclaiming the love of Jesus Christ is to engage in mission outreach through hands-on opportunities to serve. The Mission committee is looking at two trips in 2022 in the UP. One is 3-7 days to work at God's Country Cooperative Parish. The other is to visit the 2021 Northern District Skies Mission of the Year—Mohawk-Ahmeek United Methodist Church. We supported this church by raising \$1,428 and they were very thankful for this assistance to help with repairs on their church. We may look for an opportunity to visit other ministries or do some hands-on work in the Keweenaw area for a 1-3 day trip. If you are interested in participating on a mission trip, please sign up on the sheet located on the bulletin board. What we do will depend on how many are interested and the talents you bring to serve others in need. We need to have an idea of how many people would be interested in going on a mission trip in 2022 in order to commit to a time to sign up for God's Country Cooperative Parish.

### Keep Up the Gospel Work!

Check out the Mission bulletin board located at the entrance to the education wing. Follow our outreach monthly as we live to serve through our gifts, acts, and prayers.

Our church is alive and active in our community, our state, our nation, and our world. If God is speaking to you about learning more about missions at MUMC and you would like to be an active member of the mission committee, please contact the church office.

## Kentucky Tornadoes

The United Methodist Committee on Relief is responding to last month's devastating tornadoes in Kentucky. You can contribute to UMCOR by noting that on the memo section of your check or selecting UMCOR on the Square Reader or on our [www.gladstonechurch.org](http://www.gladstonechurch.org) Contribution tab. You can read more about UMCOR's response: <https://michiganumc.org/ums-respond-after-devastating-tornadoes/>

Sign-up for a weekly e-newsletter from the Michigan Conference to stay up to date on United Methodist news in Michigan and ministry around the world.

## Thank You!

Thanks again to each of you who helped to make our 2021 Advent and Christmas season a meaningful preparation for and celebration of the birth of Jesus! And thanks for your many gifts, cards and prayers. I am so very blessed to serve among you and grateful for your gracious appreciation and affirmation.

*Pastor Cathy*

## Three Winter Resources

**Read!** We've recently cleaned up and reorganized our Church Library. In it, you'll find everything from scholarly resources for Bible study (including Greek and Hebrew lexicons) to inspirational fiction, a few classics, and recent bestsellers. We have personal devotionals for all ages and a couple of shelves of children's books. Try J. Edgar Hoover's book on Communism (how'd that get in there!?), or maybe a DVD and study book from Adam Hamilton. Please, to help us stay organized, if you are returning or donating books, put them in the plastic tote marked for "Returns" and we'll get them reshelved.

**Puzzle!** We've set up a jigsaw puzzle exchange table in the Narthex. You're welcome to take a puzzle home to work on or drop off any that you're done with. We've also got a puzzle in progress on one of the round tables. Drop in during office hours, schedule a time to meet up with friends, or add a few pieces during Sunday coffee time.

**Walk!** If you'd like to get a bit of exercise but would rather not risk the icy sidewalks, you're welcome to drop in during office hours and walk around the church. We've got lots of heated hallways for you to get those steps in.

Dear Youthquakes & Tremors,

Thank you very much for signing up to do the laundry after our Hope at the Inn week. That is such a big help having all the bedding washed and folded neatly. It was nice not having that extra work to do. I am grateful for your help. ~ Susan Lagina

## Sign up for 2022

We need Ushers, Readers, Muffins Bakers, Coffee Hosts, and Communion Servers. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Also, if you would be interested in learning how to run the projection and livestream, please speak with Joy Jorgensen. Devin and Dylan Messina have been doing an awesome job up there every week, but we would like to develop a pool of substitutes for the rare weeks they are gone.

## Notes on the Bulletin Board

A Christmas card from **Caroline Hart** is on the bulletin board. She is doing significantly better, as her leukemia is now under control and, with continued treatment, her numbers are finally approaching normal levels. Thank you for your continued prayers!

The United Methodist Retirement Foundation sent us a thank you note for our support. On the typed note was the following handwritten note:

*Cathy,*

*Thanks so much to you and your congregation for generously participating in **Golden Cross Sunday!** We miss you and hope you are well!*

We also received notes from St. Vincent de Paul thanking us for the Venison and a monetary donation to their food pantries. Many local people are helped by this, and the venison is always a much-sought-after commodity.

# Memorial U.M. Church Leadership 2022 (As of 1/1/2022)

## Church Council (minimum 11)

<b>Chair</b>	Laurie Kaufman de la Garza
<b>Lay Leader</b>	Laurie Kaufman de la Garza
<b>Recording Secretary</b>	Lisa Myers (staff)
<b>Finance</b>	Virginia Petersen
<b>Staff Parish</b>	<b>Dennis Stanek</b>
<b>Trustees</b>	Jan Johnson
<b>Membership Care</b>	<i>new?</i>
<b>Missions</b>	Jeanne Wescott
<b>Worship</b>	Joy Jorgenson
<b>Lay Member to AC</b>	Laurie Kaufman de la Garza
<b>Lay Member to AC</b>	Susan Lagina
<b>Youth Rep</b>	<b>Sarah Myers</b>

### Members at Large:

<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Kathy Young (staff) Lorna Benson		<b>Sarah Myers</b>

## Nominations and Leadership Cmt. (max. 9)

<b>Chair</b>	Pastor
<b>Vice Chair/Lay Ldr</b>	Laurie Kaufman de la Garza
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Teresa Myers</b>

<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Leroux Strom Lorna Benson	<b>Teresa Myers</b>	Lorna Benson <b>Bonnie Buchmiller</b>

## Staff-Parish Relations Committee (5-9)

<b>Chair</b>	<b>Dennis Stanek</b>
<b>Lay Leader/AC Lay</b>	Laurie Kaufman de la Garza
<b>Secretary</b>	Gary Johnson

<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Gary Johnson Ted Brainard Mary Bastian	<b>Dylan Messina</b>	<b>Allison Desotelle</b> <b>Leslie Nault</b> <b>Jim Stammer</b>

## Board of Trustees (3-9)

<b>Chair</b>	Jan Johnson
<b>Lay Leader</b>	Laurie Kaufman de la Garza
<b>Kitchen Supervisor</b>	Terri Branstrom

<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Al Jensen	Kathy Young <b>Jim Stammer</b>	<b>Bill Buchmiller</b> <b>Dennis Ness</b>

## Finance Committee

<b>Chair</b>	Virginia Petersen
<b>Council Chair</b>	Laurie Kaufman de la Garza
<b>Lay Leader/AC Lay</b>	Laurie Kaufman de la Garza
<b>Staff-Parish Rep.</b>	<i>(selected by committee)</i>
<b>Trustees Rep.</b>	<i>(selected by committee)</i>
<b>Financial Secretary</b>	Lisa Myers (staff)
<b>Treasurer</b>	Lorraine Gregg (staff)
<b>Memorial Fund</b>	Virginia Petersen
<b>Missions Rep.</b>	<i>(selected by committee)</i>

### 2022

Leroux Strom  
Sally Brainard

### 2023

### 2024

**Tom Butch**  
**Holly Stammer**

## Memorials Committee

<b>Chair</b>	Virginia Petersen
<b>At Large:</b>	Sally Brainard
<b>Trustees Rep:</b>	<i>(selected by committee)</i>

## Other Elected Leaders

<b>Lay Leader</b>	Laurie Kaufman de la Garza
<b>Lay Member to AC</b>	Laurie Kaufman de la Garza
<b>Lay Member to AC</b>	Susan Lagina
<b>Membership Secretary</b>	JoAnn Gudwer

## Health Task Force

*(Formed by action of Council in 2019 to make health and safety decisions related to COVID)*

<b>Pastor:</b>	Cathy Rafferty
<b>Lay Leader:</b>	Laurie Kaufman de la Garza
<b>SPRC Rep:</b>	Dennis Stanek
<b>Trustee Rep.</b>	Jan Johnson
<b>Finance Rep.</b>	Virginia Petersen
<b>Member Care Rep.</b>	Susan Lagina
<b>Worship Rep.</b>	Joy Jorgensen
<b>Medical Professional:</b>	Kathy Young



# Memorial U.M. Church Leadership 2022 (As of 1/1/2022)

## Worship Committee

**Chair** Joy Jorgensen  
**Organist/Bell Choir** Kathy Young  
**Altar Design Coord.** Pat Waeghe & Jan Johnson  
**Sound/Tech Coord.**  
**Volunteer Coord.**  
*(Representatives to be chosen by groups they represent)*  
**Altar Guild Rep.**  
**Praise Team Rep.**  
**Choir Rep.**  
**Bell Choir Rep.**  
**Band Rep.**  
**Youth Sunday Rep.**  
**Members at Large:** Pam Thorbahn

### Design Team:

**Pastor** Cathy Rafferty  
**Worship Chair** Joy Jorgensen  
**Organist/Bell Choir** Kathy Young (staff)

## Altar Guild

**Chairperson** *(selected by Guild)*  
**Altar Design:** Pat Waeghe, Jan Johnson, Lorna Benson  
**Members** *(selected by Guild)*  
Allison Desotelle Sue Hampton  
Gloria Herod Barb Hess  
Tracy Jensen Gail Johnivan  
Val Johnson Liz Kempfer  
Virginia Petersen **Berta Johnson**  
Cheryl Stanek Pam Thorbahn

## Missions Committee

**Chair** Jeanne Wescott  
**Secretary** **Peggy Richter**  
**Lay Leader** Laurie Kaufman de la Garza  
**Members at Large:** Alice Butch  
Al Jensen  
Chris Jensen  
Liz Kempfer  
JoAnn Gudwer  
Kay Shapy  
**Venison Coord.** Teresa Myers & Kole Desotelle  
**HATI Coord.** Susan Lagina  
**Mid-Pen Sch Coord.** Willy Mannisto

## Education Committee

**Chair**  
**Adult Ministries Rep.** Laurie Kaufman de la Garza  
**Children's Ministries**  
**Youth Ministries** **Sandy St. Aubin**  
**Youth Rep.**  
**Members at Large:** Tracy Jensen  
Lorna Benson

## Membership Connection Committee

**Chair** *New*  
**Membership Sec.** JoAnn Gudwer  
**Visiting Euch. Coord.** Sue Lagina & Gail Johnivan  
**Sunshine Coordinator** Nancy Campbell  
**Fellowship Coord.** **Dennis and Connie Ness**  
**Members at Large:** Bette DeRoeck  
Alice Butch  
Jan Watson  
Lorna Benson

## Fellowship Task Force

Mary Clark Dennis Ness  
Jon Anderson Connie Ness  
Betsy Anderson Helen Palo  
Val Johnson Dave Palo

## Other positions

**Historian** Nancy Campbell

**Librarian**

**Camp Coordinator**

# January 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>2</b> <b>10:30 Worship</b> <b>11:30 Men's Breakfast</b> <b>2:00 Daisy Scouts</b>	<b>3</b> 10:00 Pickleball 1:00 Pickleball 4:00 Girl Scouts <b>5:30 Peter study</b>	<b>4</b> 9:00 Pickleball 6:00 TKD <b>8:00 NA</b>	<b>5</b> <b>9:00 Knit &amp; Quilt</b> 10:00 Pickleball 1:00 Pickleball <b>6:00 Bells</b>	<b>6</b> 9:00 Pickleball 6:00 TKD <b>7:00 Band</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> <i>Leadership Sunday</i> <b>9:30 Peter study</b> <b>10:30 Worship</b> <b>11:30 Coffee Hour</b> <b>11:45 Praise Team</b> <b>2:00 Daisy Scouts</b> <b>Hope at the Inn</b>	<b>10</b> 10:00 Pickleball 1:00 Pickleball 4:00 Girl Scouts <b>5:30 Peter study</b> <b>Hope at the Inn</b>	<b>11</b> 9:00 Pickleball 6:00 TKD <b>6:30 Finance</b> 8:00 N.A. <b>Hope at the Inn</b>	<b>12</b> <b>9:00 Knit &amp; Quilt</b> 10:00 Pickleball 1:00 Pickleball <b>6:00 Bells</b> <b>Hope at the Inn</b>	<b>13</b> 9:00 Pickleball 6:00 TKD <b>7:00 Band</b> <b>Hope at the Inn</b>	<b>14</b> <b>Hope at the Inn</b>	<b>15</b> <b>Hope at the Inn</b>
<b>16</b> <i>Human Relations Day</i> <i>Noisy Offering</i> <i>Youth Sunday</i> <b>9:30 Peter study</b> <b>10:30 Worship</b> <b>11:30 Praise Team</b> <b>2:00 Daisy Scouts</b>	<b>17</b> 10:00 Pickleball 1:00 Pickleball 4:00 Girl Scouts <b>5:30 Peter study</b>	<b>18</b> 9:00 Pickleball <b>4:00 Memb. Care</b> <b>4:00 Missions</b> <b>6:00 Ch. Council with all committees</b> 6:00 TKD 8:00 N.A.	<b>19</b> <b>9:00 Knit &amp; Quilt</b> 10:00 Pickleball 1:00 Pickleball <b>6:00 Bells</b>	<b>20</b> 9:00 Pickleball 6:00 TKD <b>7:00 Band</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> <i>Songs and Stories</i> <b>9:30 Peter study</b> <b>10:30 Worship</b> <b>11:30 Praise Team</b> <b>2:00 Daisy Scouts</b>	<b>24</b> 10:00 Pickleball 1:00 Pickleball 4:00 Girl Scouts <b>5:30 Peter study</b> <b>6:30 SPRC</b>	<b>25</b> 9:00 Pickleball 6:00 TKD 8:00 NA	<b>26</b> <b>9:00 Knit &amp; Quilt</b> 10:00 Pickleball 1:00 Pickleball <b>6:00 Bells</b>	<b>27</b> <i>Newsletter deadline</i> 9:00 Pickleball 6:00 TKD <b>7:00 Band</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b> <b>9:30 Peter study</b> <b>10:30 Worship</b> <b>11:30 Praise Team</b> <b>2:00 Daisy Scouts</b>	<b>31</b> 10:00 Pickleball 1:00 Pickleball 4:00 Girl Scouts <b>5:30 Peter study</b>					