

Weekly Newsletter

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A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

James 1: 22 ceb

22 You must be doers of the word and not only hearers who mislead themselves.

Greetings, Siblings in Christ,

I hope that you have taken my challenges in this series to heart, and are trying some new practices to give yourself some much needed intentional and sacred rest this year. Also, I hope you are finding ways to help others in your life with their own sacred rest time. We have one more week in this series when we will look at God's purpose for rest in our lives.

Then, in February, we will move into a series that I wanted to give you a heads up on. It is a series concept that I envisioned myself back at Bellefontaine UMC. It is called "Faith in My Feed," and it centers around the idea of looking at current events and news stories, as delivered by my social media feed each week, and exploring how we might respond to them as people of faith. It is meant to challenge us to see how some things we read in the First and New Testament still hold true in our lives today, and need to be lived out through our everyday experiences. Given our current culture, and our shifting political landscape, this series could very well serve for some intriguing discussions along current matters.

If you know someone that might be interested or challenged by such a series, the first week in February will be the perfect time to invite them to join you.

Yours In Christ

PASTOR GLEN

PRAYER CONCERNS

Julie Puckett; Stuart/Reesor family; Ty & Huang (Kris Maly); Jennifer & Karen & Helen (Tracey Richmond & Donna LaVoie); Bev Mesey; Dianne Wallace; Skip Reynolds (Jo Ann Claywell); Jack Armitage (Lettie Morse); Floyd Emery (Jo Ann Claywell); Katie Renkins' great-granddaughter; Ann Shadowens, Pat Delf, & Alta Kopetzky (Marcia Kennon); Tom Delanty (Beth Gewinner); Peter Schüren & Janice Pauken (Debbie Lund); for everyone to have a warm place including in the city this cold winter; and for peace in Gaza and Ukraine.



“Life’s most persistent and urgent question is, ‘What are you doing for others?’ ”

- REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.



HUMAN RELATIONS DAY

SPECIAL
SUNDAY

United Methodist Church Human Relations Sunday

This past Sunday, January 19th, was United Methodist Church Human Relations Day. The Human Relations Day offering supports social justice and outreach ministries that empower all God’s children to realize their full potential as human beings in relationship with one another. This fund helps encourage that potential through ministries like the Community Developers Program, multiethnic ministries and countless other projects across the United Methodist connection. These funds are administered by Global Ministries in collaboration with The General Board of Church and Society.

For a brief explanation of Human Relations Day, click on this link to view a short video: https://youtu.be/risGxXqW2IE?si=AiIN3esVev_mnyrA

Special donation envelopes will be available again for the next two Sundays, January 26th & February 2, during worship. Please designate Human Relations Sunday on the memo line of your check to the church.

You can also donate via our website under the GIVE tab.
<https://websterunitedmethodist.org/give-2-2/>



Girl Scout Cookies

FOR SALE!

The Girl Scouts will be selling cookies in Fellowship Hall on **Sunday, January 26** before worship.

Please visit their table if you would like to support them.

You can also purchase online. You fill out the online order form, pay online, and choose to have the cookies delivered in person by the Girl Scouts or delivered by mail. It is very easy!

Three girls, **Nora Leister-McCurley, Sarah Vader, and Vivienne Vader**, are selling cookies this year. We split the congregation in thirds by last name, please place your order online as follows:

A-I last names purchase from Nora at: Click [HERE](#)

H-Q last names purchase from Sarah at: Click [HERE](#)

R-Z last names purchase from Vivienne at: Click [HERE](#)

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN THE NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS.

We will tackle the 2nd chapter of Paul's letter to the church at Ephesus (Ephesians) at 9 am on Sunday, 1/26/25. Bring your favorite version(s) of the Bible to the church library (west of sanctuary, not the Bompert Ave side) and join us. If you don't have a fave, come anyway. Questions? Contact Beth Anderson, 314-781-9923 (land line with answer machine is best) or TrebleCross1980@gmail.com.



CALL FOR COATS



FROM WEBSTER ROCK HILL MINISTRIES

WRHM is still seeking winter coat donations for those in need during this chilly season.

WINTER COATS THAT ARE NEEDED:

- 3 Women's small**
- 16 Men's medium**
- 14 Men's Large**
- 1 Men's XLarge**

Note from WUM

Please bring your donation of coats to church on Sunday or you may deliver them to WRHM at 111 East Waymire Avenue.

Please call 314-961-5082 before delivering to WRHM to make sure they are open.



2025 ANNUAL MEETING

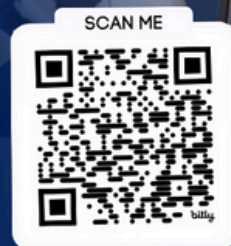
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SATURDAY
1.25.2025
1:00 - 4:00 PM

EDEN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
475 E LOCKWOOD AVE
SAINT LOUIS, MO 63119

REGISTER:
bit.ly/MCUAnnMtg25



The MOUNTAIN SERVICE

Come Join Us!

SMALL GROUP
JAN. 23 & 30, 2025
@ 7:30 PM - SPACEROOM





Epworth



TRIVIA NIGHT

RAISE MONEY TO EMPOWER OUR YOUTH

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2025

5PM - 9PM

\$25 PER PERSON
\$200 - TABLE OF 8

FREE DRINKS
CASH PRIZES
50/50 RAFFLE
SILENT AUCTION

To join a table, please contact Linda Guth Stangl
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MERCY CONFERENCE AND RETREAT CENTER

LITURGICAL COMPOSERS CONCERT

Thursday, January 30, 7–8:30 pm at Mercy Center Chapel,
2039 N. Geyer Rd, Frontenac (in person or live stream).

General admission \$25, Preferred Seating/Reception with
Composers \$50, Individual Live Stream \$15. Register and pay
at www.mercycenterstl.org/liturgical-composers-concert.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

At the Brentwood Rec Center, Friday, January
31st, 2 pm to 7 pm. Please sign up online at
[www.redcrossblood.gov/give.html/drive-
results](http://www.redcrossblood.gov/give.html/drive-results) zip Sponsor = BWParksRec

Any questions, call Andy Leahy, 314-356-5329.
“Donate to Help those in need”



NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE

All articles and submissions must be sent to
secretary@websterum.org by Monday
at 5pm to be in that week’s newsletter.