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## "Becoming passionately outward-focused for Jesus Christ."

## OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday-Friday 9:00AM—12:00PM (but please call first!) Office closed on Monday

First of all, I want to thank everyone for the many gifts I received during the holidays. I appreciate you all more than you can know. Thank you for your kindness.

As we head into the New Year, my first order of business is to report on how we did on our special offering for Mobility Worldwide. I'm writing this just before Christmas, and as of the 3rd Sunday of Advent, we had collected $\$ 5185$, slightly exceeding our goal of 12 mobility carts! There are still two Sundays to go, December 24 \& 31, and I anticipate even more will still be collected. If you look at page 4 of this newsletter, the number there includes the amount collected with Christmas Eve included. Thank you for your contributions to this worthy cause!
We begin the new calendar year in the season of Epiphany, a time when we focus on the revelation that Jesus is fully God and fully human, God Incarnate among us. This year, we are using the season between Epiphany and Ash Wednesday to explore becoming the people of God. Notice that we do not say "become" or "became" or "will become."
Rather, we are on a constant journey of becoming as we travel a path that we share with faithful followers in the Old and New Testaments, guided by the divine Light who forms us individually and communally into the people of God. I hope you can join us, either in-person or online, for our series, "Becoming the People of God."
January is the time of year when I have the responsibility of filing yearend reports with the conference. I may be asking some of you to provide numbers that I will include in these reports. It is also the time when new committee chairs move into their positions and begin planning for the things their committees will accomplish in the coming year. We welcome those new to committees and, of course, those who are returning. Your ministry has great value as we strive to represent Jesus to a community that is often aimlessly struggling without hope and joy. How can we as a church share what we know?

Toward the end of the month, I will be taking a few days off to attend continuing education in Colorado Springs, followed by a short vacation. Steve and I will be leaving after church on Sunday, January 28, and I will not be back in the office until February 6. If you have a pastoral care need during my absence, please contact Rev. Gary Roellchen at 913-602-0660.

May this New Year fill you with hope and the promise of God's kingdom as we continue "becoming passionately outward-focused for Jesus Christ."

May you be blessed!

## Pastar Kim

Help us un-decorate the sanctuary at
10:00 a.m. on Saturday January 6

| January Sermon Schedule |  |
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| Becoming the People of God |  |
| January 7 | And There Was Morning |
| January 14 | Your Servant Is Listening |
| January 21 | A Second Time |
| January 28 | Among Your Own People |



Women's Bible Study Women's Bible Study is seeking a new leader. Let Pastor Kim know if you are interested.

Ladies Quilting Group
Meets on Mondays, 9:30 AM-Noon
New ladies are always welcome!
Friendship Circle
Thursday, January 18, 2024 at 10:00AM
All women of the church \& friends are welcome

## SUNDAY SCHOOL Two Adult Sunday School Classes are available

Pastor Kim leads a weekly Sunday School class that meets in the Library each Sunday at 9:00 AM. We will begin a new study on January 7, but at the time of publication the topic had not been determined. The Wired Word continues to be sent out, and we will probably resume using it in January.

The Crusaders Class is an adult Sunday school class that meets in the room just off Fellowship Hall. They participate in a number of different studies. This class also meets at 9:00 am.

Children's Sunday school is available when children are present.

The Outreach Committee has chosen The HUB, a ministry of the UMC in Argentine, to be a recipient of our congregational generosity. They have given us a list of hygiene supplies to be made available in their free community market. There will be a different focus each month. For the month of January, the focus is toilet paper, cans of protein beans, dried beans, and snacks. Donations can be placed in the Fellowship Hall.


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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 7 <br> Sunday School 9:00 AM <br> Worship Service Communion 10:00 AM | 8 <br> Ladies Quilting 9:30 AM-Noon | 9 | 10 <br> S.H.A.R.E <br> 3:00 PM-7:00 PM | $\begin{aligned} & 11 \\ & \text { Men of Integrity } \\ & \text { Noon } \end{aligned}$ | 12 | 13 |
| 14 <br> Sunday School 9:00 AM <br> Worship Service 10:00 AM | 15 <br> Ladies Quilting <br> 9:30 AM-Noon | 16 | 17 <br> S.H.A.R.E. <br> 3:00 PM-6:00 PM <br> Wyandotte <br> Dinner Out <br> Pizza Stop 6:00 PM | 18 $\begin{aligned} & \text { Friendship } \\ & \text { Circle } \\ & \text { 10:00 AM } \\ & \text { Men of Integrity } \\ & \text { Noon } \end{aligned}$ | 19 | 20 |
| 21 <br> Sunday School 9:00 AM <br> Worship Service Loud Offering 10:00 AM | 22 <br> Ladies Quilting 9:30 AM-Noon Food Kitchen 9:30 AM | 23 | $24$ <br> S.H.A.R.E. 3:00 PM-7:00 PM | $\begin{aligned} & 25 \\ & \text { Men of Integrity } \\ & \text { Noon } \\ & \text { Trinity Group } \\ & \text { 4:30-7:00 PM } \end{aligned}$ | 26 | 27 <br> Family Game Night <br> 6:00PM-9:00PM |
| 28 <br> Sunday School 9:00 AM $\qquad$ | $29$ <br> Ladies Quilting 9:30 AM-Noon | 30 | $31$ <br> S.H.A.R.E. <br> 3:00 PM-6:00 PM |  |  |  |
| Worship Service 10:00 AM | Pastor Kim Out of Town January 28 - February 6 Pastoral Care needs: Rev. Gary Roellchen - 913-602-0660 |  |  |  |  |  |



Thanks to your generous donations, Wyandotte United Methodist Church has raised $\$ 5660$ for Mobility World Wide This will provide 13 mobility carts to those in need.


GREAT JOB Wyandotte United Methodist Church! We serve an awesome God, and your giving reflects that.


Come unwind in the middle of a hectic week. Come enjoy a time of coloring and fellowship in a relaxed atmosphere. Join us every Wednesday from 3:00-6:00 p.m. At the church
All are welcome and need not be a member of the church to join.

## Preaching Schedule

| January 7 | Rev. Kim Dominic |
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| January 14 | Rev. Kim Dominic |
| January 21 | Rev. Kim Dominic |
| January 28 | Rev. Kim Dominic |


| Scripture Reader |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| January 7 | Fay Sturm-White |
| January 14 | Ruth Miller |
| January 21 | Pat Gates |
| January 28 | Ramona Stowe |

If you'd like to read scripture on Sunday, get with Pastor Kim or contact the office at 788-5503.

| Nursery at 10:00 am |  |
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| January 7 | Kathy M \& Pat Gates |
| January 14 | TBD |
| January 21 | Jennifer \& Ramona |
| January 28 | TBD |

To volunteer in the nursery:
You can sign up in the sanctuary or contact Jennifer Beard at: jebeard28@gmail.com

| Chin Service Hosts |  |
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| January 7 | Don \& Nancy Bradbury, <br> Donna Lesher, Bob Babbitt |
| January 14 | Kathy Manherz, Fay Sturm-White |
| January 21 | Tim \& Ramona Stowe |
| January 28 | Carla \& Robert Chadwick |



Sundays 10:00 AM Worship with us ONLINE at www.wyandotteumc.com or
www.Facebook.com/WyandotteUMC/videos

END OF LIFE
GUIDELINE SERIES
by Barbara Karnes, RN


The church has a series of booklets written by Barbara Karnes, RN that deal with end of life issues for people going through challenging times for themselves and loved ones. Please feel free to check them out through the office.

If you're not attending in-person worship, please continue to mail in your offerings. If you need offering envelopes, please call the office.

## NEWSLETTER

Newsletters are sent by e-mail.
If you prefer a printed copy, please call or email the office and one will be sent to you.

Deadline for articles for the February Newsletter will be Friday, January 19, 2024. (please send by email to admin@wyandotteumc.com.)

NOTE
Mailing of the January Newsletter will be Friday January 26, 2024.

If you have an address update or correction,
please let the office know by calling:
913-788-5503 or emailing admin@wyandotteumc.com .

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## RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

TIME SENSITIVE

Please save your Best Choice labels for United Women in Faith. UWF funds currently support our involvement with the Cross-Lines Food Kitchen
Labels go in the box on the shelf above the coat rack in Fellowship Hall. All labels are due by the end of December.

Would you like to see your name on the front of The Wyandotte Visitor? Sponsor the newsletter for $\$ 50$ and you will be recognized as the sponsor of the month!
Call the church for details.
Our charity quilting group is running low on supplies. If you have unused fabric, batting, fiberfill, or thread you can spare, please consider donating it to this ministry. They will use these materials to make neck pillows, fidget blankets, lap robes, and other items to improve the comfort of many people.

Thank you for your help!

## Help Raise Funds for Church Maintenance Projects

Maintaining the church building can be costly and you can help by purchasing gift cards from the Trustees.

Orders must be turned in to Donna Lesher Order forms are available in the sanctuary, next to the offering box.

## January Birthdays and Anniversaries

1/3- David Goldblatt<br>1/23-Carol Polo<br>1/6-Steve Dominic 1/24-Joy Manherz-Peterson<br>1/6-Aaron Dominic<br>1/25-Jim Eaton<br>1/7-Becky Lasley 1/27-Don Bradbury<br>1/8-Nellie Lucas<br>1/27 - Fonda Telthorst<br>1/9- Lori Sturm<br>1/29- Lois Higgins<br>1/12-JP Holland $1 / 30$ - Cletis Swender

If your birthday or anniversary is not shown on the listing that is printed each month, please call the church office so it can be added to our list.

Address Update: Rich \& Marlene Ayers
14523 Amanda Lane, Basehor KS, 66007

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