



**The Old Ship
Market Street
United Methodist Church
December 2010**



December is knocking on the doors of time for 2010! We give God thanks for the reality of living through the last eleven months. Now December is dawning near within the next few days.

December signals the end of the year is nigh; the beginning of Winter on December 21; the end of a college semester; school system's winter and Christmas break; wintry season; increase heating bills; Christmas; the last day of the 2010 year; etc.....

During December will you be reflecting on 2010 as the year goes into its twilight days and year's ending? Will you be able to reflect on January through November and remember fond family times and relationships, worship experiences, dinners, recession, meals, children and parent's love or memories, etc? Will you be the one who fulfilled their New Years Resolution that was made for 2010? Did you feel the financial squeeze that 2010 presented? Did you sense Market Street United Methodist Church experiencing the 2010 pecuniary monetary squeeze, fiduciary and budget crunch? I think that all of us are able to count our blessings and all the diverse and manifold means that God's most cherished grace loved us during this year!

During "Christ the King Sunday," the attending quality of the shepherd was lifted up. I believe during 2010, the Shepherd called God attended to you as a cherished child of God, by bringing you new days; giving you health, life and strength; homes; family; friendships; Market Street United Methodist Church; prayers; faith; grace; hope; love; opportunities to tithe and give; saving your soul; Jesus ChristThe gifts we received from our Shepherding God were laced with grace!

During December will you be present at Market United Methodist Church and bring your gifts of presence, witness, prayers, tithes, service, and attend to the Church of Jesus Christ? When you attend to God's church, you will be joining the wise men that brought gifts to the "Child." You will also unite with the shepherds who left work to follow the Holy Spirit to bring their gifts to visit the "Child!" Your presence will correlate with the heavens to make the angels, and the company of heaven boldly proclaim in this Holy Worship Space, "Glory to God in the Highest! Peace on Earth, Good Will to all People!"

I look forward to you attending in a shepherding manner to the Church of Jesus Christ, the Believers/Disciples of Jesus Christ....Market Street United Methodist Church!

I pray that December 2010 will be filled with turning to Jesus Christ, preparing for Jesus Christ, attending God, blessings and grace....

Preachments for December 2010

December 5, 2010 [Purple or Blue]

Second Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

Romans 15:4-13

*Matthew 3:1-12

****Matthew 3:1-12... "Preparing for the Kingdom of God drawing near..."***

December 12, 2010 [Blue or Purple or Pink]

Third Sunday of Advent

*Isaiah 35:1-10

Luke 1:47-55

James 5:7-10

*Matthew 11:2-11

Romans 1:1-7

****Isaiah 35:1-10***

****Matthew 11:2-11... "Imagine..."***

December 19, 2010 [Blue or Purple]

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 7:10-16

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

*Romans 1:1-7

Matthew 1:18-25

****Romans 1:1-7... "Introducing Minister and Ministry....."***

December 24, 2010 (White or Gold)

Christmas Eve

Isaiah 9:2-7

Psalm 96

Titus 2:11-14

Luke 2:1-20

December 25, 2010 [White or Gold]

Christmas Day

Isaiah 52:7-10

Psalm 98

Hebrews 1:1-4 (5-12)

John 1:1-14

December 26, 2010 [White or Gold]

First Sunday After Christmas Day

Isaiah 63:7-9

Psalm 148

*Hebrews 2:10-18

*Matthew 2:13-23

****Hebrews 2:10-18***

****Matthew 2:13-23... "TELL THE STORY OF JESUS' BIRTH..."***

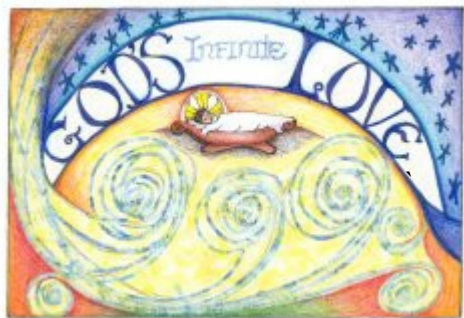
December 31, 2010 (Watch Night/New Year's Eve)

Ecclesiastes 3:1-13

Psalm 8

Revelation 21:1-6a

Matthew 25:31-46



Society of St. Andrew
Alternative Christmas
Gift Card

Society of St. Andrew (SoSA), a national hunger relief ministry, offers an Alternative Christmas Card program that helps feed Americans who are in need while honoring special friends and family.

For a minimum donation of \$12 in honor of someone special, you can provide about 600 servings of fresh food to those in need. Your gift donation will be announced with SoSA's exclusive Alternative Christmas Card, and you will also receive this beautiful card as a thank you and confirmation of the gifts you make.

This year's card is the 16th in a series designed exclusively for SoSA by Virginia liturgical artist Annis McCabe. The full-color, 7-inch by 5-inch card features original art on the front and an inspirational verse inside.

For more information, go to www.endhunger.org/card.

UNITED METHODIST



"Men of Market Street"

Come out for breakfast and let's have a time of fellowship, making connections and networking for the "Men of Market Street" United Methodist Church. Hebrews 10:25 NIV tells us *"Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching"*. Have you ever watched a fire burning? Several logs together burn brightly, but if you pull one log away from the fire, its flame soon goes out. The same thing can happen to a Christian if we do not spend time with other Christians. So let's get together and keep those fires burning!

The first breakfast is scheduled for Tuesday, December 7th at 7:00 a.m. at Papermill Place Restaurant, 2214 Papermill Rd.



CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS:

Myrna Snider, Marge Brown, Margaret Herrell, Betty Peacemaker, Joseph Yingling, Adrian O'Connor, Mary Murphy, Debbie Bower, Trevor Weir, Alvin Moser, Amanda Linton, Erven Miller, Jr., Jim Shields, Amanda Smith, Kevin Freeland, Margie Powers, The Carpenter Family, Arlene Knighten, Betty Newbraugh, Richie Shade, Susan Peer, Mike Cordero, Josh West, David Ritter, Mary Beth Wilson, Norma Babb, Margaret Cook, Ben Mathis, Jessica Parrish-Fine, Martha Lauck, Sharon Henshaw



Kitchen of Hope Christmas Dinner

The Kitchen of Hope will be serving their Christmas Dinner on Thursday, December 23rd and will be serving a Roast Beef Dinner. If you can make a donation for this dinner please see Linda Bynog. Dinner rolls, salad ingredients, butter and donations to purchase Roast Beef are needed.

Pink Streeters 2010-2011 Events

Pink Streeters Members

Faye Armel
Margie Aronhalt
Joey Bynog
Linda Bynog
Gayle Childers
Cathy Coontz
Pearl Ebert
Kevin Freeland
Joan Funkhouser
Linda Hart
Sharon Henshaw
Betty Lausier
Jamie Marion
Joyce McKay
Janet Moore
Donna Patterson
Jessie Patterson
Betty Shackelford
Donna Sweeney

On December 18th, please come to the Fellowship Hall between 8 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to do your Christmas baking at our annual Cookie Walk (and hope it doesn't snow this year). You can purchase cookies, cakes, candies, greenery, wreaths, table arrangements and crafts. Everything you need to complete your holiday.

In January 2011, we will be selling **Krispy Kreme Donuts**. This is a new project for us so help us make it successful. The donuts will be available for pickup on **Thursday, February 3rd**. If you would like to help the Pink Streeters by selling donuts at your work or place of business, please contact **Jamie Marion or Janet Moore**. A Sub sale is planned in February, Wolfgang candy in March, a Spring Fun Festival in April and a Fish Fry in May.

We continue to sell Martin's gift cards. If you shop or buy your gas at Martin's please purchase and use our gifts cards to help the Relay Team. Contact Donna Sweeney for more information.

Join our
**Relay
for Life
Group**



Pink Streeters Luminaries

Friday, December 24th, 2010

Luminaries will be lit at the 8:00 service and will continue to burn until after the service. The cost is \$5 per luminary and they are in honor or memory of loved ones. Please fill out this form and return to Donna Sweeney.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

I would like to purchase the following luminaries in Honor of

I would like to purchase the following luminaries in Memory of

Total Luminaries _____ Total Money _____

WATTS UPDATE

As you have probably heard, Market Street is hosting WATTS (Winchester Area Temporary Thermal Shelter) from February 21 to 28. I will have a poster in the sanctuary to sign up to help. Our main focus is to provide two meals and a warm place to sleep.

We need to provide breakfast each morning. It can be prepared ahead of time and heated that morning if necessary. It could be cereal, muffins, fruit, eggs, etc. Someone needs to be there each morning from 5 to 6 to get it ready and clean up Tuesday through Friday and on Monday. They will eat at 5:30 a.m. so that they can leave by 6 a.m. to be out of the church an hour before the day care arrives. On Saturday and Sunday someone needs to be there from 6 to 7. They will eat at 6:30 and be out by 7 a.m.

Someone could provide bag lunches each day if they want them (probably no more than 15).

On Monday, February 21, we need 2 to 4 strong volunteers to lift cots off the Habitat vehicle and carry them into the Fellowship Hall from 9:30 to 10 a.m.

On Monday, February 28, we need 2 to 4 strong volunteers to put cots back onto the vehicle to go to the next church from 8:30 to 9:45 a.m.

On Monday, February 21, we need a couple of people to help arrange the room and distribute linens. From 10:30 to 12 noon.

On Monday, February 28, we need a couple of people to take fleece blankets, wash cloths, and towels to a commercial laundromat to wash and dry them and deliver them to Bethel Lutheran church before 7 p.m.

We need about 4 people to help with registration and greeting from 6:30 to 8 p.m. each night.

We need groups from 6 to 8 p.m. to prep, serve, and clean-up after dinner each night. Dinner is served at 7:30 p.m. Brucetown UMC is doing Friday night. Shenandoah University students may do Sunday night.

We need 3 or 4 people from 8 to 10 p.m. to play cards (They like hearts and spades.), movies, puzzles, entertainment, or just socialize each night.

A snack could be served from 8 to 10 p.m.

We need two people to spend the night each night from 9 p.m. until 6 or 7 a.m. There will be a cot for you, and you can sleep. Sleep in your clothes. Bring your own pillow and blanket. You will be in a separate area. We need to have people there in case of emergencies. There will be a paid night manager there. It can be two men or a man and a woman. Lights are out at 11 p.m.

If you can't do any of these, we can use monetary donations and prayers. We could also use men's socks and underwear, gloves, warm hats, hand and feet warmers, etc. to have on hand in case they want or need them. We could use disinfectant wipes. We also need to have bags of toiletries to give them for the week.

Only those over 18 are allowed to be in the building while our guests are present. However, youth or children could provide things or food to be used.

Thank you for your help.

Joyce McKay
Mission Chair

Advent, Christmas & New Year Opportunities at Market Street

Advent Opportunities

November 28th—Advent Celebration -Begins with breakfast at 8:30 then decorating the church until 10:45. Celebration ends with a short church service

December 2, 9, & 16-Advent Study @ 7 p.m. "Songs We Sing During Advent"

December 12th - Children, Youth and Adult Christmas Play @ 11:00 Worship

December 18th - Relay for Life Cookie Walk 8:00 -1:00 p.m. Christmas Caroling @ 6:30 p.m.

December 19th - Choir Christmas Cantata @ 11:00 Worship Sherando Concert Choir @ 7 p.m.



Christmas Eve Service

Family Candlelight Service

@ 8:00 p.m.

New Year's Eve

First Bite Pancake Breakfast served by Boy Scout Troop 9 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

First Night Winchester performances in the Sanctuary



New Year's Eve Family Celebration

Cookie Walk

Saturday, December 18th in the Fellowship Hall

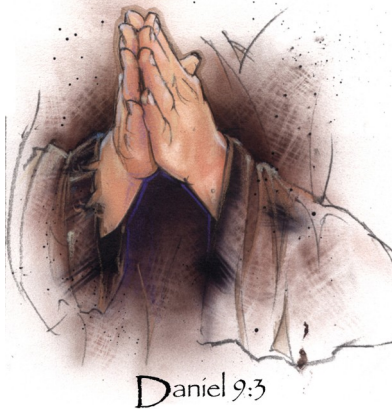
8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Cookies, Candies, Crafts, Cheese Balls, & lots more.

Let us do your holiday baking for you, just come to the Cookie Walk!

Sponsored by Pink Streeters Relay for Life Team

I turned to the Lord God and pleaded with him in prayer and petition, in fasting, and in sackcloth and ashes.



THE POWER OF PRAYER!

We are going to have a Prayer Luncheon on January 30th after the combined service to celebrate the Prayer Ministries at Market Street.

- If you pray for anyone at Market Street or want to find out how to pray for someone
- If you would like to find out about the different prayer groups at Market Street, what they do and how to get involved.
- If you are in need of prayer

YOU ARE invited!

Mark your calendars now and please plan to join us for this event. Prayer Partners - The Prayer Chain-P.U.S.H. Prayer Group-Sunday School Classes-United Methodist Women Circles-United Methodist Youth

Celebrate the Reason for the Season!

Advent began November 28th!



Advent Calendars

It's not too late! Pick up your calendar today!

These calendars are for all ages. They're filled with wonderful, simple ideas to bring the true spirit of Christmas into your home and into your heart. You can pick one up in your Sunday School Class, in the Sanctuary, or in the church office.

There is a limited number available so get yours early! (One per household please)



Mark your Calendar for December 18th

Join us for **Caroling and Hot Chocolate!**

Dig out your mittens and ear muffs! We'll meet in the Boy Scout Room at 6:30 and go caroling to our members that may not be able to join for Sunday Worship and then return to the Boy Scout Room for hot chocolate and snacks.

Candles or Poinsettias for Loved Ones

This holiday season, the Worship Committee has two opportunities for you to honor or memorialize a person or persons of importance in your life.

This year, we will be doing both Candles and Poinsettias. If you choose to have a candle lit honoring your God, your church, and your cherished loved one with a monetary gift (amount of your choosing) that money will go directly to the general budget of MSUMC. If you choose to buy a Poinsettia, you may purchase the Poinsettia and have it in the Sanctuary by December 17th so it can be placed for the service.

On December 19th, Christmas Eve & Dec. 26th, the church will be aglow with the candles lit and adorned with Poinsettias specifically in honor and memory of each person. As in previous years, we will publish a listing of all persons being remembered in such a loving and lasting way and by whom in our bulletins. Below you will find a form to complete if you are interested in participating. All remembrances should be returned to the church office by December 15. Poinsettias can be removed December 19th, 24th, or 26th. Please pick up your Poinsettia or they will be disposed of after Christmas

NAME _____ (Circle one) Candle Poinsettia

DONATION AMOUNT _____ (for candles only)

IN HONOR OF _____

IN MEMORY OF _____

Please complete and return to the offering plate or the church office by DECEMBER 15th.



T I M E
Talents
T R E A S U R E

The Stewardship Envelopes are in the Sanctuary waiting to be picked up and filled out. Have you made your pledge to Market Street's budget.

Let's make 2011 a plentiful year with no financial worries for Market Street. Remember ...God loves a cheerful giver!

One Worship Service on December 26th

On December 25th we will be joining the 8:30 and 11:00 services into one service at 10:00. Following the Worship Service, we will gather in the Fellowship Hall for a time of refreshments and fellowship.

There will be no Sunday School that day.

