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## New Market United Methodist METHODIST MESSENGER

DECEMBER  
2021

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Dear Friends,

This month, poinsettias will be sold in stores across the United States and will decorate many of our homes and churches. Their festive red and green colors – let alone the fact that their leaves turn red around Christmas time – make these flowers an almost obvious choice for a Christmas decoration. Beyond that, the shape of their leaf clusters is seen as symbolizing the Star of Bethlehem, and the plant's colors – red, green, and white – symbolize the blood of Christ, rebirth, and purity.

The plant we call poinsettia is in fact native to Mexico, where the Aztecs called it cuetlaxochitl. It was highly prized for its beauty and for medicinal purposes. Franciscan monks began using it in Christmas processions in the 1600s, its first appearance in Christian tradition. Eventually a folklore story circulated about a girl named Pepita who, unable to give the Christ child any other gift, picked a bouquet of weeds from the roadside for him. Upon reaching the manger, they turned into the beautiful red leaves of the cuetlaxochitl plant.



In 1828, a botanist and diplomat named Joel Roberts Poinsett (who helped found the Smithsonian) was sent to Mexico by President John Quincy Adams on a diplomatic mission. While there, he encountered the cuetlaxochitl plant. Enchanted, he sent many samples back to his home in South Carolina, where he kept a greenhouse. He shared these plants with friends around Christmastime, when the leaves were turning red, and they naturally took on the name of their new American benefactor, poinsettia. A nurseryman in Pennsylvania later began mass-producing the poinsettia and a new Christmas tradition was born.

If you buy a poinsettia this year, as you admire its beauty, remember to think of little Pepita, whose humble gift for the baby Jesus was transformed into a beautiful bouquet, because of her pure faith and love.

Blessings,  
Pastor Bill

### Pastor's Office Hours:

Thursday, December 2nd & 16th from 6:30-8:30PM or by appointment

## MOBILE BLOOD DRIVE AT NMUMC IN FELLOWSHIP HALL:

Saturday, December 4th from 8:00AM-1:00PM

To make your appointment to donate please call Judy Welliever at 866-0419 or go to

[https://donate.indiana.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/142225](https://donate.indiana.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/142225)



### NM Methodist Church Rummage Sale

The profit from this summer's rummage sale is \$2,155.97 with money still trickling in. Some people took left-over items and are selling them at thrift stores, online, etc. The rest of the left-over items were taken to Women's Resource Center, FISH linen closet, and Trinity Mission. Mountie Mission took items for their pantries also. Thank you to everyone who donated, worked, and gave blood. The rummage sale profit goes into the maintenance fund to help with church repairs.

### Community Thanksgiving Dinner

It takes 17 turkeys, 120 pounds of potatoes, amazing dressing, oodles of home made noodles and an army of volunteers bringing our community together to serve 400 meals. We thank everybody for your support through your volunteering, donations of food and time. The free will offering received during the dinner will be used for the Reindeer Program and to serve our community.

### Community Thanksgiving Service

25 people attended the Thanksgiving Service from our community. Tony Thomas from the New Market Christian Church brought us the sermon from Psalm 100, "Give Thanks". Our special guest was Diane Cross from Mountie Mission in Ladoga. All the amazing programs and services that Mountie Mission provides for our community is a blessing. If you would like to support or volunteer to help Mountie Mission, please contact Diane Cross at 942-2676.

### December Greeter

Dixie Ruggles

### December Liturgist

5th Dan Welliever

12th Sheila Chadd

19th Kelly Clifton

26th Marcia Shaw

### November Usher

Jamie & Marci Welliever

### DECEMBER CHURCH MEETINGS & EVENTS

Wednesday, Dec 1, 6:00PM UM Women's

Sunday, Dec 5, 10:45AM Holy Communion

Wednesday, Dec 11, 6:00PM UM Men's

Wednesday, Dec 15, 7:00PM Ad Council

### BY THE NUMBERS ATTENDANCE & GIVING UPDATE

#### October 31

Sunday School Attendance: 20

Sunday School Offering: \$ 32.00

Worship Attendance: 26

Sunday Offering: \$ 473.90

#### November 7

Sunday School Attendance: 17

Sunday School Offering: \$ 26.00

Worship Attendance: 29

Sunday Offering: \$ 1,040.00

#### November 14

Sunday School Attendance: 18

Sunday School Offering: \$ 10.00

Worship Attendance: 24

Sunday Offering: \$ 1,075.00

#### November 21

Sunday School Attendance: 20

Sunday School Offering: \$ 14.00

Worship Attendance: 31

Sunday Offering: \$ 598.00

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Four UMW members traveled to Ladoga to tour the Mountie Mission November 3, 2021, at 7 P.M. Director Diane Cross said the mission has been serving the Montgomery County community for 15 years. The Christian Church served as the first location in 2005 and then in 2007, the buildings that now house the mission were purchased and the mission became a tax free charity organization that is governed by a board of seven. The Montgomery County Community Foundation, Valero, and North Central Health Services paid for the original buildings and Hoosier Heartland Bank donated the last two that the bank used to occupy. One room houses tables for sorting items and preparing yearly backpack for students in the area. Last year, the backpacks went to Ladoga area students only since North Montgomery and Crawfordsville schools were provided backpacks by other agencies. One year when the mission was serving the entire county, 538 backpacks were distributed. School supplies for the packs were furnished this year by Walmart. The same room houses a library, new clothing/shoes donated by Walmart, backpacks, and school supplies. A sign in one room reads "Heart Mart, Always No Prices. The next room contained furniture, cleaning supplies and household items. Another room contained used clothing; one had baby supplies only; another, elderly supplies (canes, walkers, diapers, etc.) and scrubs; another had rooms for a family counselor and a drug counselor (Rent is collected for the use of these rooms.); another comfortably furnished room was used by a case worker for supervised family visits. There is also a food pantry. The board room is furnished with a long table that Diane found in one of the rooms when she purchased the first building. It had no legs, but later Diane found the legs and repaired the table to its original beauty. Diane makes several talks to organizations and churches, delivers and picks up donations when necessary, sorts items, cleans the building, and keeps writing grants to acquire what is needed. A van was recently received from the Foundation through grant money. Volunteers help when possible, but Diane could also use and welcomes more volunteers. She stressed that the most important things a person can do for a non profit is ask what is needed. It takes times to sort through clothing, etc. that is not needed at that time. Money is always welcomed to pay for heat, maintenance, etc. There is an apartment above one part of the facility that provides money from rent collected.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sheila Chadd reported that obligations to the district have been met and after the donation to Mountie Mission, the balance in the treasury is \$165.09.

**New Business:** The December 3 meeting will be a meal in fellowship hall and a \$10 gift exchange for anyone who wants to participate. Menu: chicken casserole, Sheila Chadd: green beans, Dixie Ruggles; salad, Ann France; dessert, Brooke Pike.

## PRAYER REQUEST

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| •Susie Austin           | •Steve Lidester      |
| •Lois Ator              | •Glenn Livesay       |
| •Heather Billard        | •Joan Livesay        |
| •Heidi Bonwell          | •Brad Long           |
| •James Bosworth         | •Payton Long         |
| •Marjorie Bowman        | •Eladio Lopez        |
| •Gloria Brand           | •Mary Ann Lowe       |
| •Teresa Brook           | •Jenny Lynn          |
| •Mary Evelyn Bruin      | •Mike Marcel         |
| •Art Buck               | •Mary Jane Meadows   |
| •Judy & Byron Butler    | •Jan Minnick         |
| •Judy Byers             | •David Myers         |
| •Shawn Byler            | •Linda Horn Myers    |
| •James Caldwell         | •Kim Oliphant        |
| •Nancy Hampton Campbell | •Judy & Kevin Payne  |
| •Dick Chadd             | •Marjorie Pike       |
| •Rodney Coffman         | •Dean Richmond       |
| •Marci Conkright        | •Nancy Sandlin       |
| •Dan Cramer             | •Norma Sillery       |
| •Patty Curry            | •Angie Staggs        |
| •Kay DeBusk             | •Mallory Stripling   |
| •Debbie Ebaugh          | •Melvin Sturgeon     |
| •Kennedy Ellis          | •Talia               |
| •Doug Fry               | •Billie Ann Thomas   |
| •Sue Howell             | •Dion Thomas         |
| •Denise Hull            | •Jean Thomas         |
| •Larry & Louise Hulse   | •Denisa Timberman    |
| •Seth Hutchison         | •Bill VanBebber      |
| •Christopher Johnson    | •Larry Wiatt         |
| •Linda Johnson          | •John & Karen Wilbur |
| •Mitzi Keller           | •Edna Williams       |
| •Glenellen King         | •Covid Patients      |
| •Pete Largent           | •Afghanistan         |
| •Donna Lideski          | •Haiti               |
| •Barb Lidester          |                      |

*Our deepest sympathy  
to the families and friends of*

**Gary Austin  
Richard Pruitt**



## United Methodist Men

The United Methodist Men met on November 10th with four members present. Larry Hulse provided snacks and read a devotion. Dan Welliever reported that \$2,471.15 remained in the UMM account after having paid \$54.92 to buy the candy for this year's Halloween Pit Stop. After a lively discussion a motion was passed that the group would cover the cost of "at least six" new folding tables, and more if it was deemed necessary. In other business, the annual Christmas party was scheduled for December 11th at 6:00 p.m. We concluded with further discussion of "The God I Never Knew."



## Nativity Word Search

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ADVENT	ANGEL	BABY	BETHLEHEM	CAMEL
CANDLE	DONKEY	GIFTS	HOLY	JESUS
JOSEPH	KINGS	LOVE	MANGER	NATIVITY
PEACE	SHEPHERDS	STABLE	STAR	MARY

# December 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<i>1 UMW Christmas Party 6PM</i>	<i>2 Pastor's Office Hours 6:30-8:30PM</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4 Blood Drive 8AM-1PM</i>  <i>Angie Staggs Birthday</i>
<i>5 Holy Communion</i>  <i>Greg Hunt Birthday</i>	<i>6 Megan Schwartz Birthday</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>  <i>Luke Hurt Birthday</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11 UMM Christmas Party 6PM</i>
<i>12 Distinguished Young Women</i>  <i>Sue Foy Birthday</i>	<i>13 Brenda Hunt Birthday</i>	<i>14 Ryan Staggs Birthday</i>	<i>15 Ad Council Meeting 7PM</i>	<i>16 Pastor's Office Hours 6:30-8:30PM</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>19</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>24 Christmas Eve Service 9:PM</i>	<i>25 Christmas Day</i>
<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30 New Year's Eve</i>		

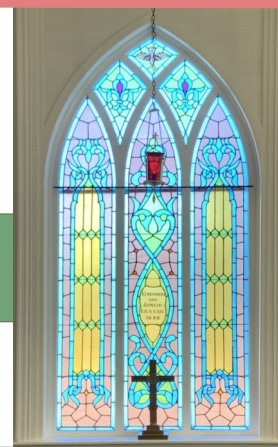
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## DECEMBER 2021 Methodist Messenger

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Sunday School: 9:30 AM  
Worship Gathering: 10:45 AM



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### **Find Us On Our Website!**

Just go to [www.newmarketumc.org](http://www.newmarketumc.org) or google New Market United Methodist Church Indiana  
If you have any thing you would like to put on the church website, pleas contact Rachel Welliever