



BEVERLY HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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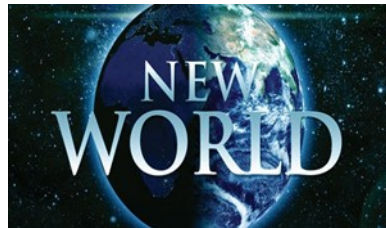
Come to Worship, Leave to Serve

December 2016



Pastor's Pen

A WHOLE NEW WORLD



The title of this article brings to mind a song from the 1992 Disney animated film. The song speaks about a new world Aladdin and Jasmine would discover together while riding on Aladdin's magic carpet; a world of dazzling splendor.

While the song "A Whole New World" may seem to describe an imaginary place, God's intent has always been for us to live in a world of ever flowing tranquil and green pastures. He wants us to act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with Him.

As we celebrate Advent, I urge you to remain steadfast and resolute knowing that the God of all grace has given us the Christ child, who brings joy, hope, peace, and love in a Whole New World. I invite you to ride on God's "magic carpet," Jesus Christ.

By: Rev. Anthony Ballah



Christmas Eve Prayer

Loving God, Help us remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds, and worship of the wise men.

Robert Louis Stevenson

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Mission Corner

Sunday, December 11th is the Alternative Christmas Mission. Alternative Giving opportunities will include:

- Water for Life
- Haiti Hot Lunch
- Children's Village in Liberia
- Methodist Children's Home
- UMCOR Relief

Brightmoor Initiative sends their heartfelt thank you for the much needed produce that Beverly Hills United Methodist Church provided for their food sharing pantry.

Ann Carlson



UMW Christmas Project with Vista Marie

This Christmas season our UMW unit has decided not to collect hats and mittens but to support Vista Maria, the social services organization that provides innovative care, support, treatment and education to vulnerable youth in Michigan. At our October tea we had a spokeswoman from Vista Maria and were able to send her back with over \$1000 for the cause.

Vista Maria has a Christmas wish list of items of varying prices and we have set up a table to collect whatever you feel like contributing. There are shopping lists on that table also. Both Alma and Corinne have volunteered to be shoppers if you'd prefer making a donation. **Attached is the list**

The items are due December 11, so our collecting will have to be done quickly. That gives us three Sundays to bring items in if you care to participate. Thank you in advance for your support.

-- The Women of UMW.

News From Bryn

Holiday Luncheon

Please join us after Sunday service, December 4th at 11:15 p.m. The menu includes Sloppy Joe's, Tater Tots, Cole Slaw and dessert. The cost is a \$6 donation. Take a break from all the holiday craziness and enjoy lunch with your church friends.

Ladies Night Out

Ladies Night Out is scheduled for Friday, December 16th at Little Daddy's on Northwestern Highway.

Meet at the church at 6:15 p.m. to carpool or the restaurant at 6:30 p.m..

Trustee News

For the winter, we will again be closing a portion of the parking lot to save costs on plowing and salting when it snows. Each time it snows, it costs us over \$450 to get the parking lot plowed and salted, and have all the sidewalks along 13 Mile and Evergreen cleared. By closing this section, we will save \$50 per session. Well worth it.



Section of parking lot that will be closed for the winter

New news - we finally got the parking lot drains cleared. Now that they are clear, and we should not have an issue with water from the roof getting into the lower restrooms, we can finally start scraping and painting both lower bathrooms. Hoping to have them completed by February, when we again host the Pack 1049 Pinewood Derby.

Young At Heart Luncheon and Game Day



The Young at Heart is a group of seniors who meet monthly at Beverly Hills United Methodist Church for lunch, devotions and fellowship. Our luncheons are held on the 3rd Monday of every month. We meet in Fellowship Hall at 11:30 a.m. to visit. We bless the food at 12:00 PM. Devotions generally last from 1:00-2:00 p.m. Soup, beverages and dessert are provided and those who attend also bring a sandwich if they wish. Three dollars is collected to cover the cost of food and paper goods. Reservations can be made by calling Alma Winkworth at 248-647-6240 or by letting

her know after Sunday service on the day before the luncheon.

A small group of seniors also get together on the 2nd Wednesday of each month for Game Day. On that day we meet at 12:00 p.m. Each person brings their own lunch. We usually play simple card games together but other games and puzzles are available if you so desire.

Game Day will be **December 14th** at 12:00 and we will be held in Fellowship Hall.
The Young at Heart luncheon will be on **December 19th** at 11:30 a.m.



Please pray for those that are in need of prayer

Stuart Burleigh has been transferred to memory impaired unit at Lourdes Community Center
Vera Brinkman remains in home care
Mary Simons is doing well at her new location in Ann Arbor
Bob King

Liturgist Schedule For December

December 4th
December 11th
December 18th
December 25th

Eleanor Roleston
Marlies Richardson
Jerry Stoll
Ann DeBoer

December 2016

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | <u>1</u> | <u>2</u> | <u>3</u> |
| | | | | 3:30 pm SPRC Meeting 7:00-9:00 pm Church Council | | |
| <u>4</u> | <u>5</u> | <u>6</u> | <u>7</u> | <u>8</u> | <u>9</u> | <u>10</u> |
| 10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Lunch After Church | 7:00 pm Pack 1049 Comm Mtg | | 12:00 pm Friendly Circle | 3:30 pm Finance | | |
| <u>11</u> | <u>12</u> | <u>13</u> | <u>14</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>16</u> | <u>17</u> |
| 10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Alternative Christmas Fair | 6:00 pm UMW Executive Team Meeting | | 12:00 pm YAH Game Day 6:30 pm Pack 1049 Den Mtg | | 6:15 pm Ladies Night Out | |
| <u>18</u> | <u>19</u> | <u>20</u> | <u>21</u> | <u>22</u> | <u>23</u> | <u>24</u> |
| 10:00 am Worship | 11:30 am Young At Heart Luncheon | | | | | Christmas Eve and Communion Service |
| <u>25</u> | <u>26</u> | <u>27</u> | <u>28</u> | <u>29</u> | <u>30</u> | <u>31</u> |
| 10:00 am Worship | | | 9:00 am Articles Due For Next Month Bugle Newsletter | | | |

The Bugle is printed each month for the benefit of members that do not have computer access to our website. Articles are to be submitted by the 26th (9:00 am) of each month for publication. If you have something of interest that you would like added to the Bugle, please contact me at 248-646-3043/joanstill@att.net.