

On Wednesday, November 23, 2016 3:54 PM, Cindi Stewart <cindi.stewart@columbusfumc.com> wrote:

## **First UMC / Email Blast**

*The Church Office wants to thank you for subscribing to this Email Blast. We are currently in transition in the Church Office – please bear with us as we get our communications out! Welcome Administrative Assistant, Meka Kick, and our Program Coordinator, Erin Landon.*

**SPECIAL NOTE:** If you were receiving the Circuit Rider (newsletter) via email, please re-subscribe by emailing your request to: [programcoordinator@columbusfumc.com](mailto:programcoordinator@columbusfumc.com) Thanks!

**HANGING OF THE GREENS!** Volunteers Needed! Two Locations, One Purpose: Decorate for the Season! **Sunday, November 27** from **3 to 5 PM** – downtown and/or Outreach Center. Childcare available upon request @ OC. Soup Supper following at Outreach Center @ **5:30 PM** followed by Ignite service @ **6 PM**.

**Make Your Own Advent Wreath.** On **Sunday, November 27** from **7 to 7:45 PM**, families are invited to make their own Advent Wreath at our Outreach Center in lower level – Craft Room & Aldersgate Rooms. No RSVP. Cost is \$5 to \$10 donation.

***United Methodist Women's Christmas Brunch.*** South Korean Christmas Traditions and Music with Pastor Seong and Younee Lee. **Saturday, December 3** from **9:30-11 AM**. Tickets are \$3.00 for adults, and \$5.00 for family group, kids are free! Tickets are available at services or in the church office. We will be collecting In Kind donations for Epworth's Christmas Store. Items include: small gift cards (\$5-10) to places like Walmart, Walgreens, Runza, Subway or McDonalds; Non-alcohol mouthwash, Men's shampoo and/or conditioner, Men's body wash and Men's socks, stocking hats, gloves. *All children, women and men are invited & welcome to attend this year's Christmas Brunch!*

## **CALENDAR:**

**Nov. 24 ~ Happy Thanksgiving from your Church Family!**

**Nov. 25 ~ Church Office & Outreach Center CLOSED for holiday**

**Nov. 27 ~ Hanging of the Greens** (see above); **3 to 5 PM**, at the Church and our Outreach Center. Soup Supper @ **5:30 PM**; **Families Make Your Own Advent Wreath**, from **7 to 7:45 PM** in lower level of our Outreach Center.

*Check out this weekend's bulletin insert about our Advent Special studies & activities!*

## **YOUTH & CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:**

**2017 Calendars** are now on sale from the Senior High Mission Team. The calendars can be purchased from team members or in the church office for \$8 each.

**Wednesday night meals are needed.** Every week 40+ people have supper in the Youth Underground at the Outreach Center. You may sign up to provide all of the meal or just a portion of it. Please check out the binder in the chapel parlor to sign up to help or talk to Sarah Borgman. Monetary donations for the meals are also accepted.

***Camp Fontanelle Christmas Camp. December 16 – 18, 2016.*** Do you know of a youth between the ages of 9 and 14, who would benefit from a weekend filled with fun? Some of the activities that the campers will get to participate in include: zip lining, activities at the Petting Barn, hiking, and Jumping Pillow. There will be singing around a fire, roasting marshmallows and maybe even tubing if the weather is right. Sign up fast, because this camp's maximum is only 40 campers!

## **Evangelism Information:**

Thank you to all who helped with and attended the Soup Cook Off/Halloween Party on Oct. 30. A special thank you goes out to Doug Kallesen and Dave Rinehart for their work on the wonderful Church website. Congratulations to Betty Osborn who won *The Golden Spoon* with her minestrone soup! We raised \$191 for Camp Fontanelle. Be watching for the next social event planned by the Evangelism committee.

## **MISSION & MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION:**

**Treasured Recipes: *The Salad Edition Cookbook* - second printing in process!** Please call the church office (402) 564-8463 and reserve yours today for only \$12.00 each. “In-house” costs were estimated around \$5 each – that leaves \$7 per cookbook for Disaster Relief! Be generous & remember that these cookbooks make great gifts for birthdays, anniversaries & Christmas!

**Car Decals** are for sale in the church office by the Evangelism committee; stop and see if you would like to purchase one for \$7.00. This is another great way to get our name out in the public.

**2017 MISSION TRIP TO WILLOW UMC, ALASKA!!!** Willow United Methodist Church, our Faith Partner, recently contacted the Mission Committee to see if it church would send a VIM (Volunteers in Mission) team to cut and distribute firewood and help host Vacation Bible School. The VIM mission would last approximately 7 days. We are asking for a dates during the last two weeks of July, 2017. The approximate cost would be \$800 for airfare and approximately \$400 to cover rental cars and most meals. We need 10 people to form a team. The team is limited to 15 participants. For more information, please contact Denise Kracl at (402) 615-1020 or [huskergirl29@yahoo.com](mailto:huskergirl29@yahoo.com).

## **Community Connection!**

**Community Thanksgiving Dinner.** Sponsored by Columbus Rescue Mission with the help of ADM Cares Program & Hy-Vee. **Thursday, November 24** from 11 AM to 1 PM at Hy-Vee, 3010 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, Columbus. Meals can be delivered. VOLUNTEERS are welcome & needed! Call the Mission @ (402) 563-1096.

**Free Lunch & Learn Book Review.** Sponsored by Columbus Community Hospital “Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End” **Wednesday, November 30** from 11:30 – 12:30, located on the Third Floor Conference Center.

**Free Lunch & Learn Managing Stress During the Holidays.** Sponsored by Columbus Community Hospital. **Monday, December 12** @ Noon light lunch will be provided. Located on the third floor conference center Platte & Pawnee Rooms. Pre-registration requested by Wednesday, December 7. Contact the Hospital at 402-562-3380 or register online at [www.columbushosp.org](http://www.columbushosp.org).