


Bethany

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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November is a time to be intentional with our attitude and the positive energy we put out in order reciprocate our gratefulness for all of the good gifts life gives us. It is a time of giving thanks, to slow down and appreciate all of the good we have in our lives. With Thanksgiving at the end of the month, and with Christmas coming up soon as well, it the beginning of the season of giving. We give our thanks to those in our life with both physical and non-physical gifts. A gift doesn't have to be something bought from the store, it can be an act of kindness, a helpful service, or a hug for someone who has had a bad day. It is the time of year we give back to our communities, and specifically, our church. Gifts of time, talent, witness, service, and funding. Giving is a way to connect with one another. Those faithful few who do see giving as an opportunity to connect find they are more joyful and more satisfied with their spiritual journey. So, during this month of giving thanks, try it out- express your gratefulness to your church by giving a little more time, pray more, and love more.

I am incredibly grateful for Bethany UMC and the strong community we have created. This church is strong in spirit and in love. Through our connections and our friendships, I believe we can make a difference for good in this world. I am grateful to be along this ride with all of you.

Love, Pastor Denise



Daylight Savings

Nov. 7



All-Church Conference

December 5, 2021

2:00 p.m.

Reports are due by November 29.

Forms are available on-line or from Pastor Denise or Curtis.



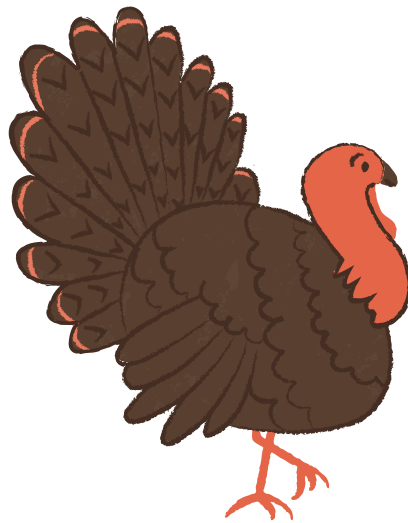
ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2021

The Mountain Sky Annual Conference this year was held on Zoom on October 22nd and 23rd. Bishop Karen moved through the business in a manner of a real leader. We were able to do a Bible Study on Saturday morning with the keynote speaker Rev. Grace Imathiu, the lead pastor of Community United Methodist Church in Naperville, Illinois. Born and raised in Kenya, she was educated in Kenya, the USA (Methodist Theological School in Ohio and Vanderbilt University in Tennessee), and the University of Cambridge. She also spent a year at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. She was ordained in the Methodist Church in Kenya in 1988 and served six years there; she has since served in Washington, Ohio, Tennessee, and Wisconsin. It was informative and thought provoking. For more information on what occurred at Annual Conference you can go to the website at MtnSkyUMC.org.



A Few Thanksgiving Facts:

- A ripe cranberry will bounce.
- All turkeys and chickens have wishbones.
- Canadians celebrate their own Thanksgiving every October.
- Abraham Lincoln declared a national day of Thanksgiving in 1863.
- The first Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade was held in 1924.



Pardoning the Turkey

In 1947, the Truman Administration established a tradition known as the National Thanksgiving Turkey Presentation -- and it lives on. Each year at Thanksgiving, the leader of the free world is required to bring a helpless turkey into a public space and offer the poor creature a presidential pardon. It's a formal declaration to the turkey that basically says, "we will not be eating you for dinner this year, my friend." George H.W. Bush made this a national tradition in 1988.



November 2021

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

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Michael Seiffert
BIRTHDAY
Election Day

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TIAM Worship
Communion
Daylight Savings Tim Ends

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Lily Bender-Stone
BIRTHDAY

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Veterans Day

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Tracy Kaiser
BIRTHDAY

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TIAM Worship
Admin Meeting

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Mike Bender
BIRTHDAY

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Katie Seiffert
BIRTHDAY

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TIAM Worship

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Naomi Seiffert
BIRTHDAY
Thanksgiving

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TIAM Worship
Hanukkah Begins

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November Scriptures and Theme "A Life That Matters"

November 7 - Hebrews 9:24-26; Mark 12:38-44

November 14 - Hebrews 10:11-25

November 21 - John 18:33-37

November 28 - Isaiah 64 First Sunday of Advent - "Come Home For Christmas"

