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Happy Thanksgiving!

Wishing you abundant blessings,
peace, and happiness.
Now and always.



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Sulphur Grove United Methodist Church

“Growing Disciples, Living and Sharing God’s love”



Coffee Chat



We have so much to celebrate and offer thanks for this year. Despite the difficulties of conducting worship, doing ministry and life in general with COVID-19 we have been able to work through these difficulties and continued to move forward in our Missional Church Consultation Initiative (MCCI).

Thanks to your faithful support of the mission and ministry of the church Sulphur Grove is financially “weathering” this COVID-19 “storm” very well. I praise God for your faithfulness and God’s faithfulness to Sulphur Grove.

We were one of the first United Methodist Churches in the Dayton area to resume live worship. We have also been blessed to be able to video stream our worship services for those unable to attend live worship due to the risk of COVID-19.

We were able to resume Grub at the Grove by adapting it to be Grub on the Run as a drive through meal. Small groups have started to return to meeting at the church. The HHELP program has resumed, and at this writing, the Boy Scouts have resumed meeting at the church. Our MCCI teams are resuming their work in fulfilling our MCCI prescriptions within the limitations of COVID-19.

While COVID-19 may have diminished our ability to fully function as we have in the past it has not stopped Sulphur Grove from being the Church. As I shared during our annual stewardship campaign, I can see how God has been at work positioning Sulphur Grove with financial resources so we can significantly, if not completely, fulfill our MCCI prescriptions. Can you see it? Have you seen it? God is faithful and while COVID-19 may change how we do ministry and worship it will not stop us from being the church because of your faithful support and God’s intercession.

One final thing for which I am extremely grateful. To the best of my knowledge no one in the Sulphur Grove family has contracted COVID-19. Many of us personally know people who have contracted COVID-19. I am thankful that, thus far, the church family has been spared this dreaded disease. (Let us continue to pray that we will remain COVID free.)

God has richly blessed Sulphur Grove over the years and continues to bless us – the church – to this very day for God’s Glory and the salvation of souls. Yes, we have much to give thanks to God for in this season of Thanksgiving.

Blessings & Peace,

P.S.: I am also grateful for your prayers and God’s healing. My kidneys are functioning normally and my heart has returned to pumping within normal limits. I have no doubt this is a result of your prayers and God’s healing power. Thank you and praise be to God!



LISTEN LIVE!

Traveling this winter? Visiting parents, grandparents or grandkids? You can still worship with your friends and neighbors at Sulphur Grove. The Taylorsville campus broadcasts both the 8:45 and 10:30 am worship services live through the internet. Simply click into the Sulphur Grove website (www.sulphurgrove.org) and click on the “Click to Listen” button toward the bottom of the screen. You can hear all the music, all the prayers, and even the jokes!



MISSIONS AND OUTREACH

"We are a 'mission church.'

We believe in reaching out to those in need locally, nationally and globally."

THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION

Fall is in the air and Thanksgiving is just around the corner. This is a time for a lot of us to look forward to sharing fellowship with friends and family around a wonderful meal. But for some it is a time of anxiety because they cannot provide meals for their families day to day.

While Sulphur Grove generously gives to our local food pantries each month, we have a special collection for Thanksgiving. We will be collecting non-perishable food items from both the Taylorsville and Y campuses on Monday, November 16th and 23rd at the Taylorsville Circle. We will have helpers at the circle on each Monday to transfer the food between vehicles between 9:00 and 11:00 A.M. The Thanksgiving collection will help support Wesley Center, St. Peter, and Huber Heights FISH food pantries. Let's show our community that we are a church that provides Hope and Love in Jesus's name!

The Missions Committee

HOMEFULL REPORT

On Saturday, October 3, 2020, chicken & noodles, green beans, 90 cupcakes, 80 fresh fruits, 4 cases of fruit drinks, plates, napkins and forks were delivered for St Vincent to serve to the ladies for lunch.

UMW NEWS ...

ALL LADIES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND UMW MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

- ◇ **CARITAS MEETING:** Wednesday, November 4, 9:30 am In Taylorsville Activity Center. Claudia Frantz and Gayle Louderback will be hostesses. Program leaders will be Sheri Baker and Sue Breisch. FISH item is a bar of soap.
- ◇ **NEW DIMENSION MEETING:** Tuesday, November 10, 7:00pm, location to be determined. Jacqueline Bunke will lead the Thank Offering program. The FISH item is a bar of soap.
- ◇ **BOARD MEETING:** November 30

Watch your e-mail for additional developments.

ONE MORE THING! ...



Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, November 1st at 2:00am. Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour before you go to bed on Saturday, October 31st.



POINSETTIA ORDERS

The Altar Committee needs poinsettia plants to decorate for the Christmas season. Would you like to purchase a poinsettia in honor or memory of someone? To place an order, place your completed order form and check in an envelope marked "Poinsettias." Please place your envelope in the offering plate, or drop it off or mail it to the church office. **The deadline for ordering Poinsettias is Tuesday, November 24th.** Please take your poinsettia home with you after the last Christmas Eve Service at either Taylorsville or the YMCA. Questions? Please call the church office at 236-5970. Thank you!

(Please cut or tear out this form and place with check in envelope.)

Please check one: for **Taylorsville** Location for **YMCA** Location

<p>4-inch Pot Price: \$6.00 (plant is 8-10 inches high)</p> 	<p>6-inch Pot Price: \$10.00 (plant is 12-18 inches high)</p> 	<p>7-inch Pot Price: \$17.00 (plant is 18-22 inches high)</p> 																																				
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I am enclosing \$ _____

Your Name: _____ Phone: _____

In *honor* OR *memory* OR *celebration* of: _____

Please circle one



November

Worship SCHEDULE

TAYLORSVILLE
Worship 8:45 & 10:30 am

YMCA
Worship 10:30 am

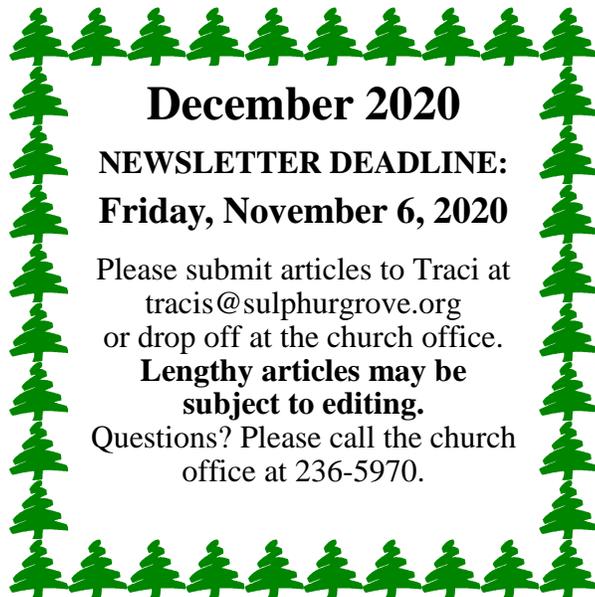
<p>November 1 <i>“Conversations with Peter: Pride vs. Humility”</i> 1 Peter 5: 1-14</p>	<p>November 1</p>
<p>November 8 <i>“Conversations with Peter: Escaping the Corruption of the World”</i> 2 Peter 1: 1-15</p>	<p>November 8</p>
<p>November 15 <i>“Conversations with Peter: Beware False Prophets”</i> 2 Peter 2: 1-22</p>	<p>November 15</p>
<p>November 22 Combined service at the Y</p>	<p>November 22 <i>“Conversations with Peter: A Sign of the Times”</i> 2 Peter 3: 1-18</p>
<p>November 29 1st Sunday of Advent Be a Neighbor</p>	<p>November 29 1st Sunday of Advent</p>

Please keep in mind, in-person services will have new guidelines that will have to be followed. If you do not feel comfortable returning to church just yet, online streaming will continue to be available.

SULPHUR GROVE GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS—YEAR TO DATE AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2020
On-line giving available on our website at www.sulphurgrove.org.

Total General Fund Giving	\$470,838.95
Transfers to Budget	\$29,495.00
Total General Fund Income	\$500,333.95
Total General Fund Expenses	\$460,872.36
Loan Balance	\$548,320.68
Payment to Loan Principal	\$1,112,252.39

Monthly detailed finance reports are available through the church office. Please contact Ray Fosnot at treasurer@sulphurgrove.org or 236-5970 if you would like to receive a report or have questions.



December 2020

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:
Friday, November 6, 2020

Please submit articles to Traci at tracis@sulphurgrove.org or drop off at the church office.

Lengthy articles may be subject to editing.

Questions? Please call the church office at 236-5970.

Sulphur Grove United Methodist Church Ministers

The People of Sulphur Grove United Methodist Church including:

Barry Baughman.....Lead Pastor
Marty McMichael.....Pastor Y Location

Eric MunsonDirector of Youth Ministries
Candy Buffenbarger ... Director of Children’s Ministries
Samantha Seeberg.....Taylorsville Choir Director
Norman Moxley Y Worship Leader
Jessica Voline Y Production Worship Specialist
Gary Carmack..... Brandt Worship Leader

Ray Fosnot Treasurer
Jenny Vossler Financial Secretary
Jacque McAdams..... Administrative Assistant
Traci Schaaf Administrative Assistant

TAYLORSVILLE

7505 Taylorsville Road
 Huber Heights OH 45424
 (937) 236-5970
 Worship ~ 10:30 am
 Kiawanda Language Worship
 3:00pm -5:00pm in Holden Chapel

YMCA

7251 Shull Road
 Huber Heights OH 45424
 (937) 236-9622
 Worship ~ 10:30 am

BRANDT

6805 East US 40
 Tipp City, OH 45371
 (937) 845-8025
 Worship ~ 11:00 am

Taylorsville Office Hours:

Mon - Fri: 9:00am - 1:30pm www.sulphurgrove.org
office@sulphurgrove.org
