

DISPATCH NOVEMBER 2022

Dear Dunlap family and friends,

During this past week, I spent a few days with fellow Indiana United Methodist clergy learning about Breakthrough Prayer. The idea is that we believe that prayer makes a difference, so we will ask and expect that God is going to breakthrough any troubles to do transformative work in our church. The speaker we heard shared many stories where churches who have chosen to pray together for a period of time have seen God's incredible work in their church and world.

In our church, we are continuing on a path of discernment. What is the future of our church? Will this church remain United Methodist or disaffiliate to join another denomination? Where is God calling Dunlap today and in the future? On a more personal level, every person needs to make choices in the short and long term. In the short term, we are entering a season of stewardship, when we each have the opportunity to pledge what we will give in the coming year. In the long term, each individual needs to discern where and how we are called to serve God.

During the month of November, I want to invite every person to join me in the practice of Breakthrough Prayer, expecting that God will help each of us to discern our future path as individuals and as a church. The way this works is that in addition to your normal prayer time, once a day, every day, pray the words of Psalm 25:4-5. Set a timer on your phone, stick a note on your mirror, whatever works for you, but once a day, every day, let us all pray the same words. Let us ask God to breakthrough our fears, our inhibitions, and our worries to transform Dunlap United Methodist Church.

Show me your ways, Lord,
teach me your paths.
Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my Savior,
and my hope is in you all day long.
Amen

Psalm 25:4-5

Let us pray, and God bless,
Pastor Melissa

Dunlap United Methodist Church

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DUMC Shut In Ministry

Some information concerning our Shut-Ins has been updated. Contact the church office for the updated copy of the Shut-In list, or pick up a paper copy of the newsletter in the church lobby on Sunday Morning.



Dunlap United
Methodist Church
*Growing in Christ-like Love
through intentional Outreach
and Worship*

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(closed 12-1)

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Our Church Staff

Pastor	Rev. Melissa Englehart
Education Director	Alice Morris
Preschool Director	Cindy Covey
Office Manager	Brianna Primm
Custodian	Laura Utley
Choir/Bell Choir Dir.	Kim Dooley
Organist	Lois Coney

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www.elkhartdunlapumc.org

Want to watch a service you missed?

Need a bulletin?

Wonder what time your meeting is?

Want to pay your tithe?

All of this and MORE is available
on our web site!

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

November 2nd	Faye Oesch
November 3rd	Carolyn Anderson
November 6th	Howard Ritzler
November 6th	Carol Robinson
November 9th	Beth Smith
November 15th	Sherry Moore
November 21st	Kim Anderson
November 25th	Beverly Kuhn
November 28th	Shana K. Dines

NOVEMBER ALTAR FLOWERS

November 6th Terri Ganger

NOVEMBER LITURGISTS

November 6th Jane Hunsberger
November 13th Carolyn Anderson
November 20th
November 27th

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

November 25th Jim & Beverly Kuhn

COOKIE WALK 2022

The results of the Cookie Walk survey are in and because of your strong support there WILL be a Cookie Walk 2022! To provide a safe environment some modifications are necessary. All cookies will be prepackaged in both small and large boxes and gloves must be worn.

Cookies should be small, approximately 2 inches. The cookies must be delivered to the church by Noon, Friday, December 9th. Lots of volunteers will be needed to package cookies on the afternoon. And, on Saturday, December 10th, we will also need many hands to work at the Cookie Walk as well.

More details will be coming as the committee finalizes plans. Thank you for completing the survey, and for your upcoming cooking and time donations.

The Cookie Walk Committee

November 2022

Dunlap United Methodist Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Staff/Parish @ 7PM	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 WON @ 6PM Church Council @ 7PM	15 Preschool @ 6PM	16	17	18	19
20 Last Bible Study This Year	21	22 Trustee @ 6:30PM	23	24 	25 	26 9:00 Decorate church for Advent
27 6:00PM Tree Lighting 	28	29	30			

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

Join us on **Sunday, November 21st at 6:00 PM** for our annual Christmas Tree Lighting! We will sing carols, welcome Santa, and switch the lights on. Afterwards, join us inside for treats and fellowship!

BLESSING TREE MINISTRY

This Advent we will be providing Christmas joy to 2 families in the community who were selected by the Elkhart Salvation Army to be adopted by a local family, business, or organization. We do this through our Blessing Tree Program. The Blessing Tree, with the items needed, will be in place at the back of the sanctuary on **November 21st**. More information and the date for the return of those items to the church will be announced at a later date. We hope you can help in this ministry for Christmas. Questions may be directed to Dave & Carolyn Vollmar.



"Church friends,

After 27 years, we are stepping away from directing the annual Nelson's chicken BBQ church fundraiser. We would be glad to help any class or individuals who are interested in assuming that service to the church. You can contact us at 574-295-7033. Thanks to all of you who have helped us these past years. You were great and we hope you continue to help the new directors. Dave and Carolyn Vollmar"