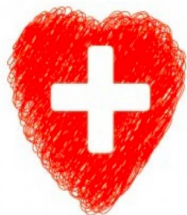




# The LINK

## January 2020



Give blood.  
Give life. ♥



**It takes !  
all types !**  
GIVING = LIVING

### **WE NEED YOU!!!!**

*Approximately 36,000 units of red blood cells are needed each day in the U.S. The next blood drive is:*

**Date: January 23rd, 2020 Time: 1:30-7:30 pm**

**Where: Lake Orion United Methodist Church**

**Sign up on line at: [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) (sponsor code: LOUMC1)**

*You can also do Rapid Pass online and bring it with you. This will make the process quicker for each of you. Any questions please email Kathy Castillo at [taxkat@comcast.net](mailto:taxkat@comcast.net).*

***Blood is the most precious gift we can give to another person...it is the gift of life!***

## RED CROSS



## BLOOD DRIVE



# MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

**BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS** will be held in Fellowship Hall on the 4th Sunday of the month at 11 AM.

**NAMI Metro SUPPORT GROUP** Adult discussion group for family member(s) or friend(s) of someone diagnosed with a mental illness. Share challenges and support each other. Learn about resources to get additional help. You're not alone. **Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7pm in the Shalom Room.**



Contact Debbie or Bryan Thom if you have any questions.

248.762.1141 or [bryandebthom@gmail.com](mailto:bryandebthom@gmail.com)

**NAMI – National Alliance on Mental Illness**

<http://namimetro.org/>

***For Widowed Men and Women*** - If you or someone you know are widowed, our schedule has started. We meet every Tuesday at 12 noon at Collier Lanes in Oxford. We bowl three games and then go out for lunch. If you do not bowl, you are welcome to join us for lunch. For more information call Joe Rowden at 248-693-2454 or Nadine Jaecques at 248-475-9036. Widowed Friends offer widowed men and women of all ages, caring companionship and the opportunity for healing. We offer a lot of help for those hurting.

***January 14th - United Methodist Women will meet in the Shalom Room on Tuesday, January 14th at 1:00 p.m. All women are invited to attend.***



**SAVE THE DATE**  
More information to come

# Taste of the Town

**Saturday, February 29th, 2020**

**Boulder Pointe Golf Club**

One Champions Circle, Oxford, MI 48371



Lake Orion  
United Methodist Church



Lake Orion  
Lions Club

**Come sample delicious food from 20 + local restaurants,  
Silent & Live Auction & MORE!**

*It's not too early to start your group thinking about what to build  
or package for the auction!*

## MATTHEW 25 MINISTRIES UPDATE...

In 2018 our UMW & church started collecting and recycling our used prescription bottles. Matthew 25 Ministries, among other things, takes our cleaned and sorted bottles and sends them to third world countries where they can not afford bottles for their medications. We have had 3 work bees. The following are our results.



Aug 2018	Cleaned	1,781 bottles	Shipped	1,781 bottles
Sept 2019	New	851 bottles		
	Cleaned	1,487 bottles		
Nov 2019	Cleaned	1,373 bottles	Shipped	3,711 bottles

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**Total Bottles to Ohio= 5,492**

**Thank you** to everyone who collected, cleaned and participated  
in the work bees! We can make a difference!

**Keep Collecting And Cleaning!!!**



***Meals are served every Monday. If you wish to contribute, these are some items that can be used year round:***

Kidney Beans  
Cut Green Beans (canned)  
Tomato Juice  
Spaghetti Sauce  
Diced Tomatoes  
Beef and/or Chicken Gravy  
Grated Parmesan Cheese

Baked Beans  
Refried Beans  
Beets, sliced  
Spaghetti Noodles  
Elbow Macaroni  
Pineapple Tidbits  
6" Dessert Plates

9 oz. Paper Cups (NOT Styrofoam)  
Zip lock Quart, Gallon and Sandwich Bags  
Apple Sauce (NOT individual size)  
Tropical Fruit (NOT individual size)  
Mandarin Oranges (NOT individual size)

***Commercial size cans are helpful but not necessary!!! Please place on the wire rack in Fellowship Hall.***

***Community Meals are provided three weeks a month to an average of 120 people. Monetary contributions are in great need as well as canned goods. If making a donation mark envelopes "Community Meals".***

***Thank you!***





# January

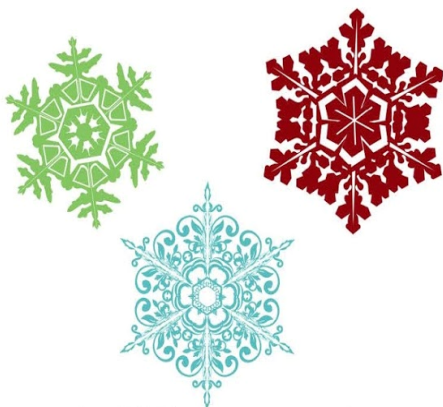
## 31 Day Scripture Writing Plan

Each of the scriptures below takes ten minutes or less to write out.  
Commit to spending ten minutes each day listening to God's voice  
as you simply copy these texts out of your Bible.

Day 1- Isaiah 43:16-19  
Day 2- Lamentations 3:22-26  
Day 3- Ecclesiastes 3:11-15  
Day 4- Psalm 98:1-9  
Day 5- Psalm 90:12-17  
Day 6- Jeremiah 29:11-14  
Day 7- Philippians 3:7-14  
Day 8- 2 Corinthians 5:17-21  
Day 9- 1 Peter 1:3-9  
Day 10- Mark 12:28-33

Day 11- Ezekiel 36:24-28  
Day 12- 1 Chronicles 16:8-14  
Day 13- Colossians 3:12-17  
Day 14- Hebrews 12:7-13  
Day 15- Isaiah 40:28-31  
Day 16- Philippians 4:4-9  
Day 17- Luke 14:28-35  
Day 18- Romans 12:1-8  
Day 19- Romans 12:9-16  
Day 20- Romans 12:17-21

Day 21- Psalm 37:1-6  
Day 22- Psalm 37:7-11  
Day 23- Psalm 37:18-19, 23-24, 27-28  
Day 24- 2 Peter 1:1-4  
Day 25- 2 Peter 1:5-11  
Day 26- Romans 8:18-25  
Day 27- 2 Corinthians 12:9-10  
Day 28- Psalm 27:1-4  
Day 29- Psalm 27:5-8  
Day 30- Psalm 27:9-14  
Day 31- Choose your own verse

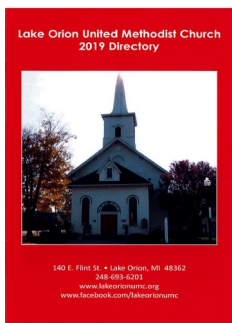


Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law.  
Psalm 119:18

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## Is Your Contact Information Correct?



We are beginning to gather the information for the next Church Directory. **This Directory is NOT listed online for your privacy, only a paper version is printed.** Please let us know if there have been changes since the 2019 (red cover) version that was printed. Do you have a new email? New cell number?

Cancelled your house phone? Take a few minutes and check out the copies of the

Directory that are available on the Welcome Tables around the church entrances. If everything is the same, we don't need to know any further info. If there are changes, please send an email to Pat at [LOUMC1@LakeOrionUMC.org](mailto:LOUMC1@LakeOrionUMC.org) for any corrections or changes. **Changes need to be completed by the middle of January.**

Also, it has been a number of years since we did a picture directory, and we will do one for 2020. It will be a simple procedure, you'll sign up online, stop by the church on May 19, 20, or 21, 2020, from 2 to 9pm; and have your family picture done. Look for further info soon.



**Working in the Kitchen** - Thanks to those who worked at the Baldwin Avenue Kitchen on December 18th: Jack and Charlotte Brown, Kathy Castillo, Cindy Katz, Michele Kellogg, Ginny and Phil Lavender, Bill Porritt and Jay Verran. We are **not** scheduled for January or February. Please contact Charlotte Brown at 248-391-0753 if you can help or know someone what would like to help.



*A huge thank you to all who came on December 6th to help create the Christmas beauty in our church both inside and out! Every detail is splendid. We know that it takes our community working together with energy, laughter and so many good ideas to create this Advent miracle each year. Also, a special thank you to Don and Martha Northcote for providing and serving our pizza supper. Without all of you, it could not happen!*

*P.S. A short side note...we will be taking down and storing everything on January 5th immediately after Sunday service. Hope we will see everyone once again - you know that adage from your grandmother, "many hands make light work."*

*Worship & the Arts*

# Weekly Scheduled Events:

## Sunday

08:30, 10:00 Worship  
 10:00 Kids on the Rock  
 10:00 Youth Cafe  
 11:00 Fellowship Time  
 11:30 Adult Bible Study (205)

## Monday

10:30 Bible Study (Sh)  
 11:45 Tai Chi Sword & TaiChi (122)  
 05:30 Community Meals (FH)  
 06:00 Narcotics Anon Class (123)  
 07:00 Disciple 3 class (120)

## Tuesday

09:00 Mothers Morning Out (Nur)  
 10:00 Disciple 3 class (120)  
 07:00 Chancel Choir

## Wednesday

06:45 BNI (FH)  
 10:00 Sermon Review (120)

## Thursday

09:00 YOGA (122)  
 09:00 Mothers Morning Out (Nur)  
 09:30 Hallelujah Handbells

## Friday

06:00 Women's NA (123/124)

## Saturday

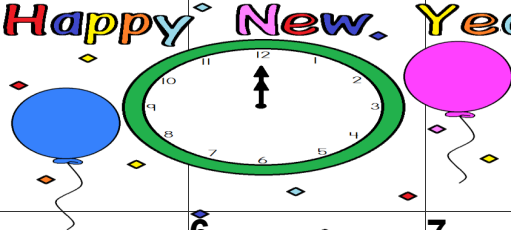

## Daily

08:00 Narcotics Anon. (123/124)

FH=Fellowship Hall  
 Nur=Nursery  
 OS=Offsite  
 Sh=Shalom Room



# JANUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue
		
<b>5</b> <b>11:00 AM—Taking down Christmas Decorations, followed by pizza!</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>12</b> <b>11:30 Missions Meeting (120)</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 01:00 PM UM
<b>19</b>	<b>20 MLK Day</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>21</b> 07:00 PM 4-H
<b>26</b> 	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>



# JANUARY 2020



	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> <i>New Year's Day</i> <i>Office Closed</i>	<b>2</b> 07:00 PM SPRC (Sh)	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 07:30 AM UMM Breakfast (CJ's)
	<b>8</b> 07:00 PM NAMI (Sh)	<b>9</b> 07:00 PM Trustees (Sh)	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
W (Sh)	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 07:00 PM Finance (Sh)	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>  7:00 PM-Church Council (120)	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	



*Dear Church Family,  
My family and I wish to thank you all for your many cards  
and prayers concerning Ray's death, and earlier this year,  
our daughter Terrie's.  
Pastor Larry and Kathy McMinn were so caring and helpful  
planning the celebration of life service. I am sure Ray was  
celebrating with us.  
The luncheon after the service was well attended and so  
well prepared.  
All those who participated in the service itself made our  
family feel blessed and grateful for the care and love we  
felt. Our church is indeed.....family!  
Bless you all,  
Sincerely,  
Jan Heyse and family*

**HOSPICE OF MICHIGAN** A year ago I put out a request  
for lap robes, shawls, and chemo caps for Michigan  
Hospice. I have had a great response from our church and  
community. To date we have collected almost 200 items for  
them. They are of all shapes and sizes and colors and  
patterns. It has been a wonderful experience. The Hospice  
people are so excited when I make a delivery and they are  
very thankful and appreciative.  
Keep up the good work. Let me know when you have  
finished items. I make a delivery about every other month. If  
you haven't taken part, feel free to join us. Call me for  
information. Ardis Pearce 248-628-3430

**AMAZONSMILE** - Did you know that LOUMC has an amazonsmile account ?

**With your donations we have**

**received \$478.23 in 2019.** Shop and

benefit the church at the same time.

Visit [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and select

**United Methodist Church of Lake Orion** as your charitable organization. Make future purchases through

[smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and the church will receive .5% of the price of your eligible purchases. Same products, same prices and same service with no cost to you for the benefit to LOUMC.

Prime members use in the same manner. Questions? Contact Trudy Carney [trudycarney@aol.com](mailto:trudycarney@aol.com) (248-693-2558).



**SCRIP** - Please think about using the Scrip Program at LOUMC to purchase gift cards. We are able to purchase hundreds of gift cards at a discount for you to purchase at face value. Major retailers, restaurants, gas stations, hotels and movie theatres are available in different denominations. Also, the Kohl's gift card can be used to pay your credit card bill, we now can get Menards gift cards. This program benefits many

ministries of the church, the General Fund and outreach such as Community Assistance and Missions. Stop by the Scrip table during Fellowship Time, contact [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com) for a complete list of participating retailers, or contact Trudy Carney at 248-693-2558 [trudycarney@aol.com](mailto:trudycarney@aol.com) or Sharon Keener at 248-977-0794.



## **Year Round Stewardship picture**

Electronic Giving is a convenient, consistent way to help our church year round – consider scheduling a recurring electronic contribution today. It's easy! You will no longer need to write out checks and prepare envelopes each week. Even when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, your electronic contributions will continue to be received on an uninterrupted basis. The church has a unique webpage that will allow you to sign up electronic giving and manage your secure account. This webpage will enable you to make one-time or recurring gifts from your bank account or credit card. You can make changes to your account at any time and view a summary of your giving whenever you want. Your giving will be credited to your church giving number and included in the financial statements you receive from the church. Visit the LOUMC website at [www.lakeorionumc.org](http://www.lakeorionumc.org) for the link that will take you to the LOUMC giving webpage to set up your online contribution.



We All Win When We're  
ALL IN!

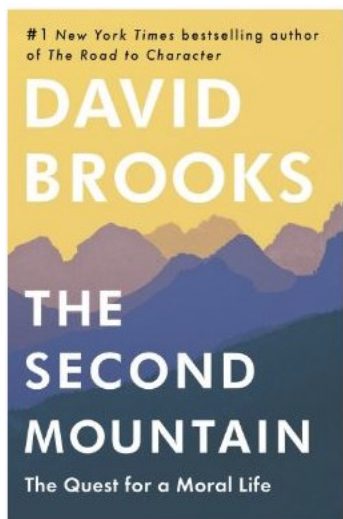


## **COMMITMENT SUNDAY**

Sunday, January 26th, we will observe Commitment Sunday, receiving your pledge commitments for the year 2020. Once you've received your pledge card, you'll have the opportunity to prayerfully consider your giving to the ministries of LOUMC through

your financial commitment as well as your commitments of prayer, presence, and service. The witness of LOUMC in this community truly makes a difference, and it takes all of us together to make it happen. Thank you for your generosity in the past, and for your prayerful consideration of our future.

## SERMON SERIES



In January and February, the sermon themes will come from the last part of David Brooks' most recent book, *The Second Mountain*, which focuses on life in community.

We will not be selling the book, nor is it necessary to have it to understand the sermons.

The scriptures and themes are as follows:

- |      |                                  |                   |
|------|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1/5  | <b>We Are Enough</b>             | Matthew 2:1-15    |
|      | <b>EPIPHANY</b>                  |                   |
| 1/12 | <b>Village over Self</b>         | Matthew 3:1-17    |
|      | <b>BAPTISM OF THE LORD</b>       |                   |
| 1/19 | <b>Initiating the Connection</b> | Luke 10:25-37     |
|      | <b>HUMAN RELATIONS DAY</b>       |                   |
| 1/26 | <b>Thirty Year Eyes</b>          | Hebrews 11:1,8-16 |
| 2/2  | <b>Radical Hospitality</b>       | Luke 15:11-24     |
| 2/9  | <b>Community is the Expert</b>   | Acts 2:38-45      |
| 2/16 | <b>Coming in Under</b>           | Mark 10:35-45     |
| 2/23 | <b>The Least Are the Most</b>    | Matthew 25:31-40  |
|      | <b>TRANSFIGURATION</b>           |                   |
| 2/26 | <b>The Sin is Partly My Own</b>  | Matthew 7:1-5     |
|      | <b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>             |                   |

As always, the Wednesday Sermon Review class at 10:00 am is open to anyone who would like to discuss the sermon from the previous week.



# JANUARY

## VIRTUE OF THE MONTH:

# PRAYER

“Prayer is very important. Never forget to pray! Nobody can tell when we are praying on the bus or on the road. We pray in silence, with the heart, so let's take advantage of these opportunities to pray.”

**- POPE FRANCIS**

***Our prayers and sympathy go out to all of our families and friends who have suffered losses.***

### **About People**

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Our mission is to connect people to God, one another, and the world, through engaging worship, ongoing spiritual development, intergenerational family ministries, relational mission, and joyful stewardship.

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP** 8:30 AM & 10:00 AM

**NURSERY CARE** is available during the 10:00 service.

**KIDS ON THE ROCK (Age 3 - Gr. 5)** is during the 10:00 service.

**ELEVATOR** available at the Slater Street entrance

**HEARING IMPAIRED AIDS** are available for worship services

**NEW OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM**  
**with lunch from 12 - 1**

**FRIDAYS: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Office Closed afternoons**

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Wednesdays at 3:00 PM.

**LINK DEADLINE: January 15th for February 2020 LINK**

Call the church office if you would like to be taken off the mailing list.

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**Martin Luther King Day**

