



NOVEMBER 2019 EDITION

MEET THE DUMC TEAM

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*He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has
also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can
fathom what God has done from beginning to end.*

Ecclesiastes 3:11

A LETTER FROM YOUR LEAD PASTOR



Dear Friends,

You know that person, don't you? The one who takes for granted all the nice things you do for them and never says, "Thank you"? That person who leaves you feeling like you are underappreciated no matter what you do to show them love? It might be your spouse. Or a son or daughter. Or your mother or father. Or a person you've always counted as a good friend.

Thanksgiving reminds us all not to be that person!

Thanksgiving day is set aside to give thanks to God for all His blessings in our lives. Of course, if we have a real, grace-filled relationship with God, giving thanks will not be limited to one particular day. We'll express our thanks to Him as casually and as frequently as breathing. Because after all, God has been good to us!

Nevertheless, it's not a bad thing to have a day set aside particularly to give thanks. And especially to give thanks for what God has done in giving us freedom in our nation to seek life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Our Thanksgiving Day meal at Shirley's brother's house begins with a time of expressing what we're thankful for before saying grace for the feast. We don't want to be that person.

I'm thankful to be your pastor. I'm thankful for the encouragement and prayers I receive from all of you. I'm thankful for the expressions of support during Pastor's Appreciation Month in October. I'm thankful for the hunger for God's Word, the passion for lost people and the commitment to our Mission Partners I see here at Dayton UMC. I'm thankful to have the joy of working with the staff and leaders who make it all happen. I'm thankful that some of you actually seem to enjoy my jokes. And that the rest of you groan freely at them!

Most of all, I am thankful for my family, and for Jesus Christ who took my place and paid the price for my sin on the Cross. Without His grace, I am lost.

So how about this: at least one time each day in November, how about doing something to express gratitude to someone who has done something you appreciate? Write a note. Stop for a visit. Take cookies! Make a phone call. Meet a friend at a coffee shop or over lunch. And be sure to say a prayer and thank the One who makes all the rest possible—Jesus. I believe this might go a long way toward keeping us from being that person.

I pray you and your family have a blessed November and a joyful Thanksgiving Day!

In gratitude,
Pastor Mike



A LETTER FROM YOUR YOUTH PASTOR

Hello Amazing Church Family!!!

In the Dutcher home, we are waiting for snow. The Dutchers love snow. We had a great month in October with Overhaul Student Ministries which ended with us all enjoying time together at Exploration Acres. We had a group of forty-six attend the night. (pictures below).



For November, we have many things planned. We will be ending our lesson series "In Pursuit". On Sunday, November 10th, we are having a worship night here at the church. The group "We are Pieces" will be leading worship on Sunday morning in the 9:30 & 11:00 services. They will also be leading a worship night later the same day at 5:30 pm. We are hoping the church family will come and join the students for a night of worship. We are also looking forward to our small group outings on Sunday, November 24th. We have found that sometimes friends of students that are invited will come to a small group outing/event rather than a large event. The night is set up, for example, the high school girls plan their own outing as well as the other groups. I appreciate your prayers as the youth staff and I continue to serve the students of Dayton UMC.

Love in Christ,
Pastor Ray

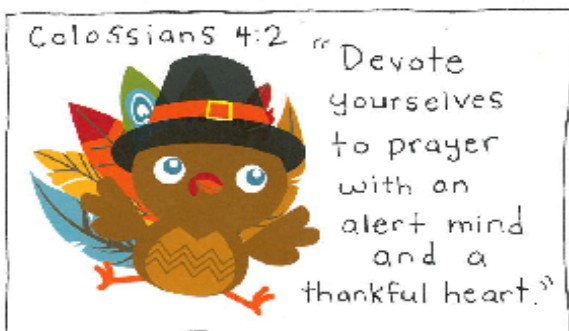
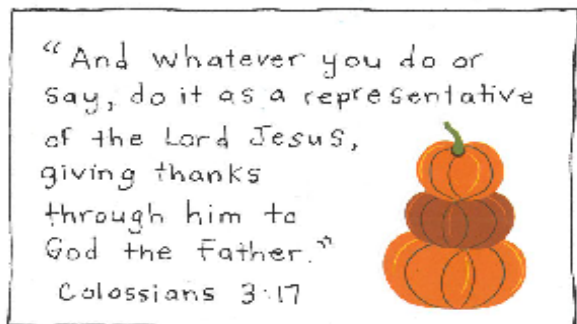
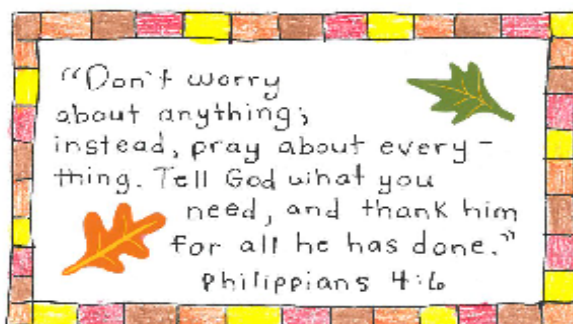
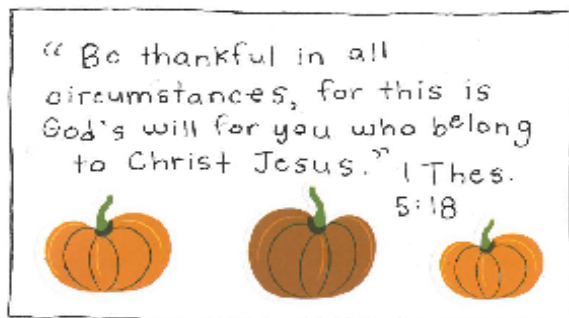
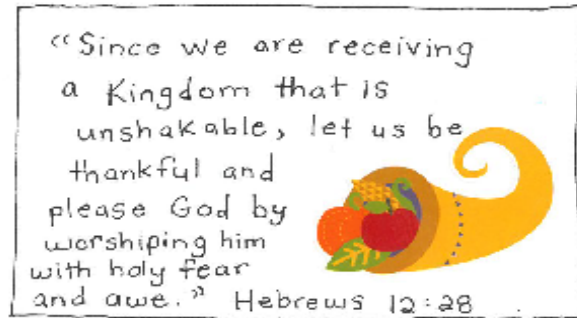
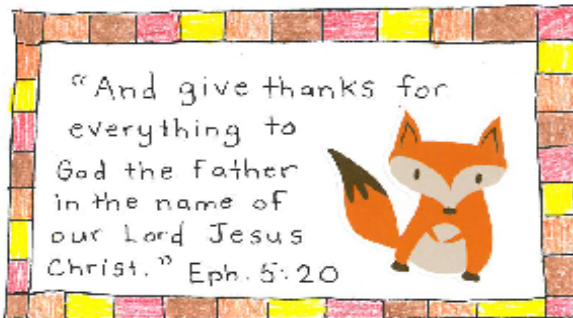
November Schedule

Nov. 3rd Overhaul
Nov. 10th Worship Night "We are Pieces"
Nov. 17th Overhaul
Nov. 24th Small Group Outings

Kid News!

Here are some Bible verses for NOVEMBER and some suggested ways to use them!

1. Use them as place settings for Thanksgiving Dinner
2. Cut them up and put them in a basket on the table. Designate a family member to pick one out of the basket and read a different one each night at dinner.
3. Memorize one or more and recite it to your Children's church leader and earn 3 ticket/verse!
4. All of the above!





A LETTER FROM YOUR BUSINESS MANAGER

Hello Church Family,

I'm excited to serve as the business manager and appreciate everyone's warm welcome to the position! I guess for starters, what would our congregation want to know about the new guy? 1. I love the Lord and have a heart to serve. 2. I love our church family and have great respect for our church organization. 3. I am committed to be an excellent steward of the resources God has blessed us with - our people, our offerings and our facility to worship our Lord and Savior.

Our Bowers family consists of my wife - Kris, sons - Miles, Mason and Alex, future adopted daughter - Shelbie, and family dog - Emma.

Prior experience was with Sam's Club for over 25 years as general manager leading teams in Terre Haute, Champaign, St. Louis, Chicago, Indy and here in Lafayette. I have been with Henriott Group for the last 3 years helping churches, schools, healthcare organizations and manufacturers with risk management, property, casualty and worker's compensation insurance.

Passions of mine include: the Lafayette Great Banquet - highly recommend everyone attend! What an awesome way to experience the love of Jesus in a weekend with others in an amazing community! - Our food truck ministry, - our small groups and bible studies - Financial Peace University by Dave Ramsey is also an excellent course. I enjoy time with family, fishing, tennis and golf.

Peace and blessings,
Matt Bowers

THANK YOU

We want to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, calls and visits while Kenny has been in and out of the hospital and had a long recuperation. We especially want to thank Pastor Earl for all his visits and prayers. We have truly been blessed.

With Love, Kenny & Bonnie Smith

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Tickets are \$20 per person.
Lunch will be available for
purchase.

The event begins at 10:00am.

Go get registered!



Impact Basketball and Cheerleading is excited for another season. Thank you for everyone who contributed to make our last season such a success! The goal of this ministry is to draw people closer to Jesus through faith and athletics. We are a Christ-centered athletic program designed to further children's athletic ability, basketball or cheerleading skills, teamwork, and most importantly their relationship with Jesus. We welcome all skill levels. We offer teams for Kindergarten and First grade, Second and Third grade, and Fourth– Sixth grade boys and girls.

Sign ups are now open and run through mid-December. Skill evaluations will be held on Saturday, November 23 from 9:00-12:00 PM in the church gym. Your participant will be able to try on uniforms for correct sizing and go through a skill evaluation to help us divide the teams as evenly as possible.

If you have any questions about our league, please call or text Eric Bailey (765) 543-9952 or email Dave Crandall at crandall_dave@yahoo.com

League cost is \$65.00 per participant and you can register at daytonumc.breezechms.com/form/c6067d76

NOTEWORTHY ITEMS



Operation Christmas Child is an amazing program that provides shoeboxes full of special items to children in need around the world.

Dayton UM Church is a collection church and many items have already been donated.

We are also accepting monetary donations for the postage required for each box.

You are invited to bring the family and help pack the shoeboxes on Saturday, Nov. 16 at 10:30am in the gym.

FREEDOM CELEBRATION

EXCITING NEWS!!!

The Freedom Celebration is coming back in 2020.

It will be called the Impact Sports Freedom Celebration and will be held on Saturday, June 27. There will be food, games, live music, fellowship, fun, fireworks and much more.

We are looking for people interested in helping make this a successful ministry. There will be many ways someone could help: donations, sponsorships, serving the day of the event, helping plan, and etc.

More information will be available as time approaches.

VIAQUEST HOSPICE

ViaQuest recognizes the physical and emotional stress associated with caring for a loved one.

ViaQuest volunteers are the heart of our hospice services. They are dedicated and caring people from our community who have the ability to listen sensitively. Our volunteers undergo a comprehensive training program with an emphasis on compassion and caring with the goal of providing the best assistance to our patients and their caregivers.

Volunteers share their gifts in many ways: companionship, direct patient care, preparing meals, massage therapy, pet therapy, sewing, caregiver respite, clerical office work, etc.

We would love to have you join our volunteer team! Contact Kylie Deig at 765-446-9100 or visit www.viaquestinc.com



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11:00 AM | Sundays

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