

GOOD SHEPHERD NEWS

Church of the Good Shepherd United Methodist

January 2019

HAPPY★NEW★YEAR

The church office will reopen on January 7th. Please contact Pastor Molly by email or cell phone should a need or question arise before then.

Look for a full edition of the newsletter again in February!

Thank you, Thank you!

Your kindness and generosity for the staff Christmas gift was overwhelming. Pastor Molly, Jane, Sandy and Madison are deeply grateful.

2019 Youth Mission Trip

For those who have completed 6th—12th grade, we will take a youth mission trip to the gulf coast **June 16– 22, 2019**. Please spread the word and consider how you might support this opportunity with your prayers, presence, or financial resources. We hope to fundraise so all who want can attend!

2019 Planning Meeting

If you are on ministry council, please plan to attend a meeting on **Saturday, January 12** from **9AM to 12 PM**. Please bring your dates for the 2019 calendar. We will also set our annual goals as we seek to make more disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!

Upcoming Events

- 7th: **Grief Support**
1 PM
- 12th: **UMM Meeting**
9 AM
- 12th: **2019 Planning**
9 AM—1 PM
- 15th: **UMW Meeting**
9 AM
- 14th: **Threadbenders**
7 PM
- 15th: **UMW Meeting**
9:30 AM
Covenant Team
7 PM
- 28th: **Threadbenders**
7 PM

Chair Yoga

Wednesdays at 10 AM

Pastor's Bible Study

Wednesdays at 1 PM

Lunch Bunch

Wednesday at 11:30 AM

- 1/2: Tin Cup
- 1/9: Main Street Cafe
- 1/16: UMW Luncheon
- 1/23: Lazy Dog
- 1/30: Italy



9:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship

We live in a world of anxiety and worry. We not only have real problems that cause us to worry, but we often also create worry by exaggerating some things, and giving energy to things we truly have no control over. Scripture reminds us that perfect love casts out all fear and that living in God's love doesn't take away the realities of our pain, but it certainly changes the way we look and think about our circumstances. As people of faith, life will not be any easier than it is for others, but we are called to be unafraid in the midst of life as we rely on the truth that God is always with us and we are never separated from God's love.

**Average Presence in
Worship for December:**

63

January 6: The Age of Anxiety
Isaiah 41:10; Matthew 6: 25a, 27

**Total Offerings
in December:**

January 13: Friendless and Alone
Genesis 2: 15,18; Psalm 139: 5a, 8-10; John 13:34

\$27,309.25

January 20: The Sky Is Falling
Psalm 27:1, 14; Matthew 5: 43-44; 1 John 4: 18a, 19

**YTD Receipts vs.
Expenses:**

X-\$4,148.87

January 27: Change and Uncertainty
Exodus 3:10, 4:13; Joshua 1:1, 5b, 9b; 2 Timothy 1:7