

We apologize.

We do not have heat in the sanctuary, as of Friday 1:30 p.m., and do not know if we will by Sunday. So, please dress extra warm. The thermostat in the sanctuary is reading 55 degrees right now.

Need by Sunday November 20th

First Congregational Church provides We Care Holiday baskets for both Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Needed items are: stuffing mix, gravy, canned green beans, muffin mix, canned sweet potatoes or yams, jello, canned fruit, jam or jelly, cake mixes and frosting, canned milk and cranberry sauce. Turkeys or hams will be purchased for each basket.

We invite you to participate in this effort by donating food items or money to facilitate the purchase of these items.

Thanks from your food pantry staff!

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Wednesday:

Women's Brkfast, 9 a.m. Men's Breakfast, 9 a.m. (FH) CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED THIS THURSDAY AND FRIDAY FOR THE HOLIDAY - HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

NEXT SUNDAY:

Worship-10:30 a.m.

PANTRY HOURS THIS WEEK

M/W-10-Noon

Church Office hours

Monday-Wednesday: 9:30-1:30



Eleanor's Very Merry Christmas Wish The Musical...

...is being presented at the Ghostlight Theatre in Benton Harbor.

Our own Diane Otey is the musical director!

Some members are going to be attending the SATURDAY, NOV 26 AT 1:00 PM. performance.



HELP BRING A HANDBELL CHOIR TO WORSHIP AGAIN!

Let's try a low-commitment handbell choir for December.

One rehearsal! (Saturday morning, Dec. 17) and One chance to play in church on Sunday, Dec. 18.

There will be a simple lesson and a modest part for any brand-new ringer who wants to try this, and support from the more experienced musicians.

I will need a rock-solid commitment from participants who are willing to attend the Saturday rehearsal as well as the Sunday morning worship service. Then I will choose the appropriate music, and confer with you about the level of complexity of your part (anything from 1 bell, rung a few times, to as much as you are comfortable with). You'll get to see the music ahead of time (No Surprises!) and hear what it's supposed to sound like.

Deadline to speak with Ann is November 21st!

Decide now! Notify Ann at

ahabicht@rocketmail.com!

YOU could be the needed note that makes the song complete!



The Annual Smoked Turkey Dinner is returning and will be held on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>December 11th</u>, immediately after worship.

Sign up sheets will be available in the narthex after the Thanksgiving holiday.



On Thursday, December 1 at 1 pm, Women's Fellowship will have its annual cookies and caroling event. All women and friends are invited.

There will be a short meeting and then caroling with Mary Pietenpol and Karen Ruesink. We will meet in fellowship hall and will be sampling treats as well!

Please bring 2-3 dozen cookies/small candy to sort and deliver to special members and friends of our church.



Diane and Lisa Van Deurzen-Otey will once again be having a

Holiday Concert
Friday, December 16, at 7 p.m.,
in the church's sanctuary.

Public is invited. Share with your friends.



Scan to make a donation to the church.

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