December 11, 2022 Bulletin Announcements

Special Music – December 11 – TubaChristmas Ensemble Andi Mansfield, Pauline Emilson – Euphonium Aidan Carney (1st Recipient of the Rudy Emilson Memorial Scholarship at SUNY Fredonia), Denny Roach – Tuba and Saxophone

The altar flowers today (December 11) are given in celebration of Louise Quick's 90th Birthday (December 15), in loving friendship from John and Laurel Walczyk.

Our Sows & Sews Group has been busy working on this year's fundraiser. We have handcrafted items (from microwave bowls to cookie baskets to scrub caps to book pillows to pet beds to fabric baskets to more of our fleece hats) You may notice them out on display in Fellowship Hall. Feel free to browse through the items. If you would like to purchase anything, please remove the yellow price tag and place in the pink envelope along with cash or check and deposit it in the box. All proceeds will benefit ongoing ministries of the church.

The church will be hosting a "pop up" market place on Saturday, December 17th from 10 – 2 in Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$20. Please let Gail or the office know if you know anyone that would like a spot (space is limited). The Sows & Sews will be selling their items and we will have food available. We will also be looking for donations of soup and baked goods to sell. There will be a sign-up sheet outside the office. (any items left over food from the Pop-up will be available for sale after church on the 18th)

Did you know? You can drop off your used postage stamps to the church office or to Betty Syper? There is a box in the outer office for them. Please leave a sizable border around the stamp.

RCL for December 11, 2022		
	Isaiah 35:1-1	D Luke 1:46b-55
	James 5:7-10	Matthew 11:2-11
November Income:	\$15,402.00	
November Expenses:	11,945.85	*Total Payroll included in Expenses: \$6,962.84
Difference	\$ 3,456.15	
Shared Ministries (\$1,398 per month)		

amount due thru 11/30: \$15,378 Amount paid (11/30): \$7,407.64 If you have any questions, please contact Pauline Emilson – Treasurer We appreciate your faithful giving

Sign up for AmazonSmile and select First United Methodist Church of Westfield as your preferred charity at <u>smile.amazon.com/ch/16-0816631</u>. Remember to shop for deals at **smile.amazon.com**, or with AmazonSmile in the Amazon app, and AmazonSmile will donate to us at no cost to you.

Did you know? If you miss the sermon or want to listen to it again, they are available on the church website: <u>https://www.westfieldumc.org/2022-sermons/</u>

Children's Bulletins and other activities are available on the church website: <u>https://www.westfieldumc.org/just-for-kids/</u>

Do you enjoy doing crafts, playing games, spending time with older adults? The Alzheimer Respite group is looking for volunteers to help us out on the 2^{nd} Wednesday of each month from 9:30 – 2:30. We will provide you with training. Contact Gail Boardway for more information (716)867-2319

2023 Giving Envelopes are now available on the table outside of Gibbs Parlor. If you don't see yours, please contact the office.