



# First Family

*We welcome all people... are guided by the teachings  
and unconditional love of Jesus... are inspired to  
participate as faithful disciples of Christ.*

**November 2022**

**First United  
Methodist Church**

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Duluth, MN 55811  
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## Our First Family

### 2022 Fall Drive-Through Roast Beef Dinner

Thank you for your special part of the fall roast beef dinner ministry. We appreciate the 111 volunteers (108 last fall) who helped serve 724 dinners (planned for 700) for hungry guests. Our profit was \$3,289.22!

The food was delicious, the hospitality was joyful, and the logistics were appreciated. The leftover meals were delivered to Life House and to Loaves & Fishes. The weather was chilly with sprinkles of rain, and then a welcoming rainbow appeared, reminding us of God's promise and the beacon of hope of heaven in our hearts. Thank you, God, for the abundance of blessings during this event.

~ Cindy and Scott Hedlund

### Thank you from 2x2s

2x2s would like to thank Pastor Jeanine Alexander, Doug Buell, Linda Wiig, Bill Alexander, Shelley Gruskin, Jean Walsh, and many others for helping to make our 60th celebration such a success.

Thanks also to our out-of-towners, Corinne and Paul VanBuren, who came from Tennessee; Verna Porter; and Sue and Paul Bosshardt for messages.

We are so grateful. Thank you, everyone.

## On the Journey With You

This is an election month, and I hope you will get out and vote. It is our duty and privilege. And always, I hope your voting will be an expression of your faith values.

We all recognize that we are living in a contentious, polarizing political climate. Many politicians aren't working together for the greater good but are instead spreading falsehood and demonizing each other. We hear voices of extremists, which keep us from working together. As a result, we are stalled in coming up with ways to solve the gun violence problem... in working on abortion concerns... there has been great polarization around COVID protocols... it seems leadership is at opposing ends on so many issues where if there were compromise, truth-telling, and working together, we just might be able to make our nation and world better.

What's even more alarming and wearying is it is feeling like the divisive political climate is making its way everywhere. People don't just get upset and disappointed when there are differences or grievances, instead it is all too easy to demonize the one we disagree with or have an issue with. Where there used to be space for respecting each other amidst disagreements and compromising, that space seems smaller.

I was talking with a colleague the other day. That person was needing to make a decision which they knew a group of people would not like, but they felt the decision was best for the church overall. They expressed concern that the group would, "turn on them." It broke my heart that they genuinely thought people would treat them poorly because they disagree. Friends, it ought not be this way. Let us choose a better way.

Romans 12 guides us in this better way with these words (The Message paraphrase):

*"So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and*

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walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for God. Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You'll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what God wants from you and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you and develops well-formed maturity in you."

May God develop well-formed maturity in us as we interact with each other and all the situations and issues surrounding us. May our inner values guide us. May our words and actions, especially in the midst of disagreement and grievances, be offerings to God.

Have you heard of a "Kindness Boomerang?" It is an expression of how an act of kindness goes from one individual to another until you reach the first one who made the good deed, in the same way that the boomerang returns to its point of origin. It is an attempt to remind us that change is possible, that kindness is possible and within our reach, starting with us.

May each of us individually start a "Kindness Boomerang." It will change us... and maybe even the world.

On the journey with you!  
~Pastor Jeanine



## Worship in November

We worship in person in our Sanctuary every Sunday at 10am AND online on YouTube every Sunday morning at 10am. The service can also be watched any time after 10am Sunday morning. The service on YouTube is a livestream of the service happening in the Sanctuary.

**Sunday, November 6: All Saints Sunday**, where we will name, light a candle, and have bells rung for those from our congregation who have died this past year. We will also celebrate Holy Communion. Remember that it is daylight savings time, so set your clock back an hour.

**Sunday, November 13: Consecration Sunday**, where you will be asked to make estimates of your financial giving to the ministry and mission of our church for 2023. You will receive a bowl of soup following worship to enjoy at church or at home (see article for more information). We will recognize **Veterans Day**.

**Sunday, November 20: Thanksgiving Sunday.**

**Sunday, November 27: 1st Sunday In Advent**, where we will unveil and kickoff our Advent/Christmas mission project.

## Youth News

### Youth Group

Youth Group for 6th-12th grade – Wednesday, November 9, 16, and 30, from 6:30-7:30pm – Join a fast-moving hour of building friendships, playing games, talking about important topics and relating them to faith, and eating junk food. Friends are always welcome.

### Ways to Serve in November

Service Opportunity - Making Neck Gaiters

Hey 6th-12th grade, it's time to get out your winter gear. But stop and think about those teens, kids, and adults that don't have gear. We can help! Plan to stay after church for an hour or two on Sunday, November 13 for lunch and then make neck gaiters to donate to CHUM, where they will hand them out to people that need them. All ages and skills welcome. We need cutting, sewing, and measuring help. Let's make a difference!

### Terri Lynn Nut Sale

The Terri Lynn Fundraiser is back!

Enjoy the gourmet candies and nuts that you love, and love to give away! The online store is now open. If you would like to order, but don't have a computer, please talk to Pastor Cynthia and she will help you.

[CoppertopDuluth.terri Lynn.com](http://CoppertopDuluth.terri Lynn.com).



## From Our Faith Community Nurse

Greetings everyone! Well, it's here: autumn—usually my favorite time of year, except this year... so far too cold, too fast with snow! Goodness, but the trees were exquisite.

### Did You Know?

Asthma is the third most commonly diagnosed chronic disease in MN, following only hypertension and high cholesterol. Asthma is common in children as well as in middle-aged and senior adults. While asthma prevalence in MN has been and continues to be lower than the national average, the health disparities that exist in MN are among the worst in the nation. Low-income groups and communities of color experience higher levels of environmental exposures that widen the asthma disparity gap.

- In 2019, one in 20 children and one in 12 adults in MN reported that they currently had asthma.
- From 2012 data: the burden of uncontrolled asthma is \$6.7 billion, the average annual per-person health care spending on asthma was \$11,700. Indirect costs associated with asthma are less obvious: \$54.3 million in estimated cost of workdays lost.
- Asthma is the leading cause of school absenteeism. In Duluth it is the #1 reason kids miss school.

On the Minnesota Dept. of Health website under "asthma," there is a toolbox with helpful information and a checklist for plans.

It is important to get your flu vaccinations now. The medical community expects a surge in flu, so get protected. You know that it's ok to wear a mask, sanitize your hands, and keep distances from others—where have you heard this before?

### Are You Up to Date?

Yes, I'm reminding you to get your bivalent boosters, which protect against both the original COVID virus and the Omicron variants BA.4 and BA.5.

Children's COVID-19 vaccine is based on age at the time of the dose. It is not based on weight. Children 6 mo. to 4 yrs, if getting Pfizer-BioNTech, receive 3 doses; the 2nd dose is 3 to 8 weeks after the first and the 3rd dose at least 8 weeks after the 2nd. No booster for this age group. 5 yr. olds can get a Pfizer-BioNtech booster at least 2 months after their 2nd dose.

Children 6 mo. to 4 yrs old getting Moderna receive a 2nd dose 4 to 8 weeks after the first. No third dose for Moderna.

For more information about children's vaccines, please check the CDC website and consult your health care provider.



Advance Care Planning class:  
Wednesday November 9, 2022  
(10am–11am). Go to [essentialhealth.org](https://www.essentialhealth.org) to register—  
Select “Advance Care Planning,” then  
CLICK “Advance Care Planning  
Online classes.” Any questions call:  
Wanda Paulsen at 218-786-1310

During this season we pray: Lord  
give us the gift of grateful hearts.  
Hearts that will not forget what you  
have done.

Joyce Rupp writes that everyday life  
is the prayer. How we conduct it,  
celebrate it, consecrate it. Prayer is  
conversation, communion,  
connection, and intimacy.

Peace and Blessings,  
~Linda Wiig

## Volunteers Needed



Volunteers are needed for our  
upcoming FUMC Book Sale to set up  
on Thursday and Friday, (November  
17 and 18) and for the day of sale  
(November 19).

The Book Sale is Saturday,  
November 19 from 10am–3pm in  
the East Lounge, and coincides with  
the Duluth Fiber Guild's Fall Sale at  
FUMC. You can drop off books any  
time up until November 17. PLEASE,  
NO VHS or cassette tapes,  
encyclopedias, or textbooks.

To volunteer, contact Jean  
Walsh, [jmbwalsh@gmail.com](mailto:jmbwalsh@gmail.com).

# Faith Forum Fall Sessions

- **November 6: Alexis Elder** (UMD) on the implications and use of robotics, especially in nursing homes.
- **November 13: Aaron Bransky**, estate planning attorney in Duluth, "Who Gets Grandma's Yellow Pie Plate?"
- **November 20: Annika Frazer:** How sustainability community action can help people in need.
- **December 4: Rhonda Montavon:** Ending the stigma of mental illness. Check out [makeitok.org](http://makeitok.org).
- **December 11:** "What Kind of Music Does God Like?" **Shelley Gruskin** will shed light on this intriguing question.

## All-Church Sew-In

Mark your calendars for an all-church sew-in making neck gaiters for CHUM on **Sunday, November 13**, after the church service and soup luncheon. We will meet around noon in Lakeview Social Hall. All ages and skill levels are welcome.

We need donations of quality polar fleece (remnants at least one foot by two feet)

and people to bring sewing machines, cutting boards, and rotary



# Consecration Sunday, November 13

The week of November 6, you will receive a letter with your estimate-of-giving card and a participation survey, letting us know how you want to share your time and gifts through our congregation. We will ask you to prayerfully fill them out and return them to church. Those worshipping in person will bring them to church on Sunday, November 13 and place them in the offering plate. On that Sunday, as a way to celebrate our giving and our life together, Paul Sapyta will make soup, and every person can eat their soup (and bread) in the social hall or leave with a bowl of soup (in a compostable container) to eat at home. For those worshipping online, you are invited to drive by Church on Sunday, November 13 from 11:15am–noon to drop off your estimate-of-giving card and participation survey, and get your soup. Pastor Jeanine will personally greet each car and will be so happy to see you! You are also welcome to mail your estimate-of-giving card and participation survey, or bring them to the office during the week.

Please be prayerfully thinking of what this congregation means to you and others... and what God is leading you to give financially in the coming year. Be blessed... and be a blessing!

Each weekend in the weekly email, Pastor Jeanine sends you the link to the online worship service. If you don't get that email, there are other ways you can get to our worship video:

- Go to our church webpage. You will find the link on the homepage Online Worship box: [fumcduluth.com](http://fumcduluth.com).
- Go to YouTube.com and search for "[First United Methodist Church Duluth Minnesota](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC47ISATrUsyV7xJ8b4cWww)" and it will come up (you can also find past services there). If you subscribe to the channel, you can receive notices and reminders, and it's easy to find us from your own YouTube account.
- Click on our YouTube channel to see all of our available online worship services. Here is the link: [youtube.com/channel/UC47ISATrUsyV7xJ8b4cWww](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC47ISATrUsyV7xJ8b4cWww)
- Go to the FUMC Facebook Page. There will always be a link there as well: [facebook.com/FUMCDuluth](https://www.facebook.com/FUMCDuluth)

A Charge Conference, for the sole purpose of approving pastoral compensation for 2023, will be held at the start of the church council meeting on Tuesday, November 15 at 7pm. All church members and friends are welcome to attend. The meeting will be in person at church and also on Zoom.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5446347519>  
Meeting ID: 544 634 7519

## Music Notes

### Get Into the Holiday Spirit by Singing With the Choir!

Our Sanctuary Choir Director, Derek Bromme, invites you to join the choir for the Advent/Christmas season. You don't have to be a trained singer—in fact, if you sing in the shower, you're our kind of person! We've got great people who are able and more than willing to help you "learn the ropes," and we always have a lot of fun! You are invited to come to most or all of the rehearsals starting Wednesday, November 16, as we begin preparing music for Advent and Christmas. Our annual Lessons and Carols service is scheduled for Sunday, December 18, during our morning worship service. The choir's participation in that beautiful service is always inspirational. The 10pm Christmas Eve service will include both the choir and the Extollers, our alumni bell choir. After Christmas, you can continue singing with us if you want to—and we bet you will!— but there are "no strings attached" to this offer!

Our choir rehearses on Wednesday from 5:15-6:15pm and prior to Sunday worship from 9-9:30am. If you're interested, contact Derek ([dbromme@css.edu](mailto:dbromme@css.edu) or 218-590-0087) or just show up for a rehearsal. We're excited about having you join us!

### Recital in Memory of Dr. LeAnn House

Canadian pianist Angela Hewitt will perform J.S. Bach's *Goldberg Variations* at the College of St. Scholastica's Mitchell Auditorium on **Tuesday, November 1 at 7:30pm**. This recital is in memory of LeAnn House and is part of Matinee Musicale's 2022-23 concert season. Known as one of the world's leading pianists, Angela Hewitt appears in recital and as soloist with major orchestras throughout Europe, the Americas, Australia, and Asia. Tickets for the recital are available through the Matinee Musicale website at [matineemusical.org/live-performances](http://matineemusical.org/live-performances)

### Concert of Remembrance Featuring Fauré's Requiem

The Friends of the Felgemaker

presents "A Concert of Remembrance" on **Sunday, November 6 at 3:00 pm** at Sacred

**Heart Music Center**, 201 West 4th Street, Duluth. Held on All Saints

Sunday, this concert will honor the memory of those who have gone before us and reflect on the loss of life from recent events. The concert will feature Gabriel Fauré's *Requiem* sung by chorus and orchestra under the direction of Dr. Charles Sundquist. Several musicians from First UMC are involved, including organist Velda Bell, soprano Tasha Kapp, and basses Derek Bromme and Stacy Carolan. A \$20 donation is suggested.



**Sacred Heart**  
music center

### Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

You are invited to the annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service, which involves several religious communities in Duluth, including our congregation. This year the service will be held at Spirit of God Lutheran Church on Sunday, November 20, at 7pm. Spirit of God Lutheran in the Lincoln Park neighborhood at 25th Avenue W. and 3rd St. Choirs from the various religious communities will not be providing individual anthems as they often have in the past, but a mass choir will be singing, conducted by Spirit of God's choir director, Paula Leland-Garnett. The mass choir will rehearse at 6pm prior to the service.

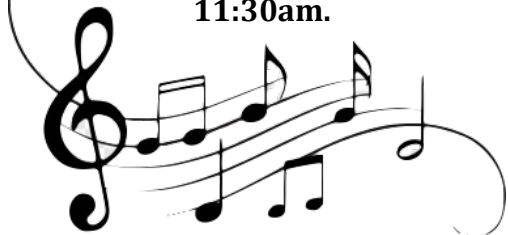
### Strikepoint to Play With Arrowhead Chorale

Strikepoint will once again partner with the Arrowhead Chorale on Saturday, December 10 at 7:30pm and Sunday, December 11 at 3pm in the Depot Great Hall. Tickets: \$30 advance, \$35 at the door, \$10 students 17 and under with ID.



# Benefit Concert

Strings, Piano, and Voice Benefit  
Concert, First United Methodist  
Church, Sunday, November 20,  
11:30am.



Come and hear the benefit concert, following worship, supporting youth who are receiving the Carol M. Donahue Music Student Scholarship Fund of FUMC. This year we are supporting six string instrumentalists and one pianist. Students aged 12 to 18 are eligible for the scholarship, which can be renewed up to three years. Scholarship applications are available in the church office by request.

The benefit concert program will feature the *String Quintet No. 4 in G minor* by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

Steve Highland, Violin 1  
Theresa Aho, Violin 2  
Ronald Kari, Viola 1  
Lizbeth Getman, Viola 2  
Byron Klimek, Cello

Besides the string quintet, Elias Mokole (baritone) and Linda Turpening (pianist) will present selections by Ludwig van Beethoven, Gabriel Fauré, and Margaret Bonds, based on poetry by Langston Hughes.

Following the concert, you can purchase "Scones to Go" by Chef Paul Sapyta.

All proceeds from the free-will offering and scone sales are given to the scholarship fund.



# Music Is Happening at FUMC!



*The Friends of the Felgemaker presents*

**Gabriel Fauré's**

*Requiem*

*A concert of remembrance*

**Sunday, November 6, 2022**

**3:00 pm**

Chorus and Orchestra

Dr. Charles Sundquist, conductor

Tasha Kapp, soprano Mark Hakes, baritone

Velda Graham Bell, Rachael Kresha,

Karen Hanson Sande and Charles Sundquist, organists

Sacred Heart Music Center  
201 W. 4th St., Duluth



\$20 suggested donation

Concert parking available in the Damiano Center parking lot  
Accessible entrance on 2nd Avenue

# From the Welcome Desk

Hello Friends. Please welcome this wonderful group to First United Methodist Church. When you see these folks in church, please be sure to introduce yourself and get acquainted with them.

When new members join, they are asked to share three things they want the congregation to know about themselves:



**Tess Enroth and Micah Kantonen (and three boys).**

They watch a lot of youth sporting events, they enjoy spending time in the woods or by the lake, and they look forward to

growing their family in faith. The boys shared the following:

**Maks'** favorite food is rice. He loves swimming and enjoys making people laugh and feel loved.



**Charlie** plays soccer year-round and is on his school's Knowledge Bowl team. He is a Rubik's Cube master.

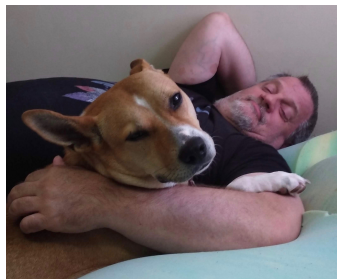


**Ashton** plays football for Duluth East. He is a great cook and loves to camp and be outdoors.



**Jacob Ginocchio**

is currently a student at UMD. He enjoys hands-on mission work. And he wears shorts year-round (even if it's crazy).



**Scott Hollenbeck**

loves watching football. He is very caring and loving, and he is a fantastic friend.



**Carol Jaster**

is a faithful online worshipper with great memories of FUMC. Carol has known Linda Ball Peterson since 2nd grade, when Linda was her Sunday School teacher at First Methodist Church when it was downtown. She was the FUMC church office secretary for a

number of years and also worked in the Chester Park church office. Carol remembers the Berinis, Lennons, Haycocks, and Marlys Wolden (and her daughter Cindy Hedlund as a little girl). She has three children, three grandkids, and two greatgrands. She is especially close to Matthew, who lives in Helena, MT.



**David and Laurie**

**Johnson** have been married 30 years. They enjoy camping, hiking, kayaking, biking, and home projects; and are the proud parents of Ben (27),

Sam (26), and Tim (22).

Our next New Member Information Class will be Sunday, November 20 following worship in the Fireside Lounge on the east side of the Narthex from 11:15 to 12:30pm. Pastor Jeanine leads the class, and this is a terrific way to get to know a lot more about the church, spend time with other people, and see if this is the right church home for you. Remember, we are the church with a welcome for everybody, always.

*~Mary Giese,*

Director of Welcoming and Hospitality



# Children and Family Ministry

by Jojo Coffin-Langdon

Can you believe that in November, we start planning for the Christmas Pageant? Our Holiday Pageant will be December 11 this year, always fun! Most of our practices will be on Wednesdays and Sundays. Who wants speaking parts? Ask your kiddos and let Jojo know.

**Blessing Bags** – Please bring a variety of items to donate to the creation of our blessing bags. It will be great to have something that we can give to our homeless brothers and sisters besides money. Look for the black bin nicely decorated by our children. See more information on page 10.

Please reach out if you need anything (Jojo, 218-251-4388). Here are some important dates to keep in mind for the next two months:

- **November 13, 11:30am–1pm** – Intergenerational event. Help us create neck gaiters to add to our blessing bags to give to people who are homeless and to give away at CHUM. This will help keep people warm during the cold winter months, and kids will be proud that they created them! Help from all ages is needed to make this event successful. Also, we need your sewing machine. If you have one and would let us use it, please let Jojo know!
- **November 20 – Pajama Day!** Wear your pajamas to church!
- **November 23 – No Wednesday programming for children and youth** due to Thanksgiving.
- **November 27 – No Sunday School** (As always, we will have fun fidget bags and kid-oriented sermon reflection notes available during worship.)
- **December 10, 10am-12pm** – Birthday party for Jesus and pageant practice for our Christmas pageant.
- **December 11 – Christmas Pageant!** Invite your friends and family.
- **December 21–January 2 – No Wednesday programming and no Sunday School** (As always, we will have fun fidget bags and kid oriented sermon reflection notes available during worship.) Enjoy the extra time with family and friends.

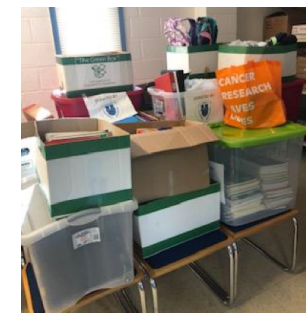
## School Supply Drive

Thanks for a successful school supply drive!

During September congregation members brought many boxes and bags of school supplies and financial donations to FUMC. Our local Union Gospel Mission also contributed a wonderful variety of much-needed materials.

The donations far exceeded our wildest expectations! These school supplies are now being

shelved at the Companies to Classrooms nonprofit free store for teachers, known as the “C2C store.” C2C serves licensed PreK–12th grade teachers and specialists in 15



school districts (Barnum, Carlton, Cloquet, Culver, Duluth, Esko, Floodwood, Hermantown, Northwestern, Proctor, Solon Springs, Superior, Two Harbors, Willow River, and Wrenshall).

Teachers are able to shop once a month for free materials for their students. This is such a win-win-win for countless students, their families, and the teachers. The COVID pandemic has especially affected school budgets as well as many families who are struggling to make ends meet.

Thank you so much for your generosity and support of local students and teachers.

*Karen Alseth - FUMC member and board chair of Union Gospel Mission*

*Jojo Coffin-Langdon - FUMC member and*

*director of Children's and Family Ministries*

*Carolyn Schroeder - FUMC member and*

*volunteer manager of Companies to Classrooms*



# EarthKeeper

by Naomi Yaeger

## What makes a litterbug?

As a child, whenever I saw litter by the road, I wondered who was throwing litter out the windows of their cars. A popular lyric rang through my head, "Litterbug, litterbug shame on you!" This was at the height of the "Keep America Beautiful" campaign and Lady Bird Johnson's beautification program.

Our church picks up litter along a specific two miles on Maple Grove Road. But the night before our scheduled pick-up event, it snowed, and it was postponed. I chatted with our leader, Bill Alexander. He said that he rarely sees anyone throw trash out their vehicle window, yet every year there is lots of litter to pick up. How can that be? Who is dumping this litter, and why do they do it?

About 50% of litter comes from people driving vehicles. Most of it is cigarette butts purposely thrown out by people in those vehicles. Another group of litter is objects that fall out of the back of a truck or car. But according to O. Berk, a packaging manufacturer, most of the litter on the road is purposely thrown out. I've seen litter on the roads all my life. I thought my generation would be the generation to Keep America Beautiful and pass on that value. But, according to O. Berk, "Experts have also found that people under the age of 30 are more likely to litter than older people."

## Fast facts

- Fast food packages, drink containers, plastic bags, and shredded tires are the most common litter along the roadways.
- The number of fast food restaurants has grown immensely since 1970.
- People used to eat fast food inside.
- "Litterbug" was coined by an advertising agency to make individuals feel guilty and to alleviate the packaging companies' responsibilities.
- According to AAA, road debris causes thousands of accidents each year.

*Philippians 2:3-4 "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others."*

## Blessing Bags

Hey Church, we need YOU to donate to our blessing bags! We have a huge black bin, decorated nicely by our children, set out in the Narthex to collect all the items you would like to donate. The items will be placed into bags and then given back to the congregation to have something to pass out to people who are homeless in our community. We would take all kinds of donations—anything that would fit inside a brown lunch bag that you think people would like. Some examples are socks, shampoo, gift cards, a variety of snacks, neck gaiters, hats, mittens, or toothbrushes. The sky's the limit. Please give generously. Text Jojo Coffin-Langdon with questions, 218-251-4388.

## RJAC Meeting

The Racial Justice Action Committee (RJAC) will be meeting November 20 after church for an hour. Bring a snack to share. RJAC is open to anyone committed to continuing the work of racial justice in our church and in the greater community. We will be looking into what the greater Methodist Church has to offer on race and religion. Did you know:

"In 1968, the General Commission on Religion and Race (GCORR) was established to hold the newly formed United Methodist Church accountable in its commitment to reject the sin of racism in every aspect of the life of the church. GCORR will not rest in its work of challenging and equipping the church to complete its unfinished agenda of dismantling racial discrimination. We continue to do this by championing diversity, equity, and inclusion; developing interculturally competent leaders; and catalyzing authentic community.

"While racism remains our primary focus, our perspective and partnerships reflect a broader context, which includes poverty, nationalism, tribal conflicts, gender discrimination, homophobia, disability and generational bias—because we know all forms of oppression are connected, and they cannot be dismantled in isolation."  
(taken from GCORR website)

Contact Jojo for info and to get involved!  
218-251-4388



## “Our Common Call to Humanity - Welcoming Afghan Newcomers”

Thursday, November 10, 2022, 7 pm

Peace United Church of Christ (use back car park and door)

Hear Rev. Charlotte Frantz talk about the Peace Welcome Circle.

Meet the three remarkable Afghan women it sponsored who made the journey to Duluth.

\$10 suggested donation to benefit these newcomers. Sponsored by The American Association of University Women (AAUW) Duluth Branch.

[newyorker.com/news/us-journal/the-ordinary-americans-resettling-migrants-fleeing-war](https://www.nytimes.com/news/us-journal/the-ordinary-americans-resettling-migrants-fleeing-war)

## Want to Know More About How We Are Responding to Homelessness In Duluth?

- **Join the FUMC Steps Up Team or sign up to receive email updates**

Contact Sarah Maddy, 218-260-9851, [shmaddy@outlook.com](mailto:shmaddy@outlook.com)

- **Check out the Stepping On Up Duluth website**

[steppingonupduluth.org/](http://steppingonupduluth.org/)

Learn more about the five-year plan

Learn about upcoming events

Find ways to get involved

- **Get on the Stepping On Up Duluth mailing list**

[steppingonupduluth.org/sign-up](http://steppingonupduluth.org/sign-up)

Subscribe to the Stepping On Up newsletter for regular updates.

- **Watch YouTube videos on Duluth homelessness**

[youtube.com/watch?v=9uCJAtGgTbw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9uCJAtGgTbw)

[youtu.be/\\_D56sngPwdl](https://youtu.be/_D56sngPwdl)



## CHUM News: The Warming Center Needs You!



The Warming Center is an emergency overnight drop-in center for people experiencing homelessness. It operates for the six coldest months of the year and provided a lifesaving refuge for 554 people last winter.

We have an urgent need for overnight staff. Staff work as a team to keep the site clean and ensure a safe space for all guests. \$16.26/hr plus up to \$500 performance-based bonus. Part-time or full-time

opportunities available. Are you looking for a job that makes a difference? Apply today!

**Warming Center Volunteer Registration** [tfaforms.com/5018891](https://tfaforms.com/5018891)

*The Warming Center is also in need of the following items:*

Socks (all adult sizes, cotton and thermal)

Razors

Travel-size shaving cream

Travel-size deodorant

Hand warmers

Gently-used winter boots (all adult sizes)

Rain ponchos

Coffee

**Donations can be brought to CHUM (102 W 2nd St) during normal business hours.**



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