



November 17, 2024  
8:30 am

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**Prelude** – Jan Mix

**Welcome and Greeting** - Pastor Dave York

**Call to Worship** - Kathy McKinley

Leader: We approach the God of grace and glory

**People: who has called us to worship this day.**

Leader: We arrive from the chaos of our world

**People: into the clarity of God's presence.**

Leader: We leave the struggles of our lives

**People: to embrace the power of God's love.**

Leader: May this hour bring us courage

**People: and a time to strengthen our faith.**

**Opening Hymn** – I Love to Tell the Story UMH156

**Prayer of Illumination** – Great and mighty God, open our hearts to the power of your Holy Spirit. Turn our hearts to a spirit of reconciliation with our families and neighbors so that you may be glorified. Show us your favor as we turn back to you in your mercy. Amen.

**Kids Choir** – Creation Song

**Old Testament Reading** – Malachi 4:1-6

**Choral Anthem** – “Battle Hymn of the Republic” written by Howe and Steffe, arr. By Ringwald - featuring Jef Peckham

**Gospel Reading** – Luke 1:5-25

**Sermon** – Family Stories of Faith

**Prayer Time and Lord's Prayer**

**Video** – Stronghold Food Pantry

**Next steps, Offering, and Doxology**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** – Holy and living God, you didn't ask for our last cent or our first born. You asked for our whole hearts that are full of gratitude and gifts lovingly given. Out of thanks for your trustworthy love and generosity, we return to you only what you have given to us. Amen.

**Closing Hymn** – We've a Story to Tell to the Nations UMH 569

**Benediction**



Doug & Alice Hall, Mary Stephenson, Jennifer Bell, Richard Hansen, June Baker, Doug Wakeley, Margary Scheele, Norma McCallister, Esther Polson, Linda Steele

# BLOOD DRIVE

December 3

First United Methodist church  
422 Chestnut

MAKE AN APPOINTMENT AT  
SAVEALIFENOW.ORG

Our annual Blood Drive will be Dec. 3. Blood is especially needed during the holiday season because there are more people traveling and less opportunities for blood drives. To make an appointment, go to [savealifenow.org](http://savealifenow.org). Our group code is BD.

December 1, the Sunday after Thanksgiving, we will have one united worship service at 8:30 am. We hope you enjoy your holidays



Our Community Christmas concert will be Dec. 7 at 2 pm. Our children will be performing their Christmas pageant and there will be lots of Christmas music.

The Seventh Street Feast is a full Thanksgiving meal for anyone. They need volunteers to help cook and serve. They also accept monetary donations. If you have any questions, contact Joey Denney, 913-306-6651. The meal is served at St Paul's Lutheran School gym on Nov. 28.

## Seventh Street Feast

November 28

St. Paul's Lutheran School, 7th & Osage



## Coat Drive



Faith Walkers is holding a coat drive for youth at Woodland Village apartment complex. Please bring new or gently used coats sized 12 to adult large to the church office by Friday. They are also looking for volunteers at the Nov. 23 giveaway at 2 pm. Questions? Call Ed (816) 805-4771.

Itchin' to Stitch will be taking a field trip to Children's Mercy Hospital on November 25 to deliver some of their handiwork. For info, contact Teresa at [hickst@kc.rr.com](mailto:hickst@kc.rr.com).



Trinity House is a food pantry and clothing closet at 2101 10th Ave. They need warm clothing that is gently used and food donations. Drop off times are Tues-Thurs from 10 am to 1 pm. Call (913) 682-7474 for details.

Stronghold is a food pantry for soldiers at Ft. Leavenworth. They're in need of canned tuna, chicken, mac & cheese, pasta sauce, and pasta. We have a plastic tote for donations in the foyer.



If you want to help our neighbors affected by the recent hurricanes, you can donate to the United Methodist Committee on Relief by marking your check "Hurricane" or by going the UMCOR website [umcmmission.org/give/](http://umcmmission.org/give/). All of your gift goes straight to those in need.

# WEEKLY Sneak Peek

## Monday, November 18

5:00 pm Virtual Grief Share

## Tuesday, November 19

10:00 am *An Unlikely Advent* Bible Study

2:00 pm Spouse Grief Share

## Wednesday, November 20

1:30 pm Heart and Soul Bible Study

3:45 pm Wonderful Wednesday

5:00 pm Grief Share

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, November 21

6:30 pm *An Unlikely Advent* Bible Study

## Saturday, November 23

9:00 am Samaritan's Buffet

2:00 pm Faith Walkers Coat Giveaway at Woodland Village Apts.

## DIGITAL OFFERING

Online giving is available at [fumclvks.org/give](http://fumclvks.org/give) or use the QR code above to go directly to the website. You can use a check or credit card. For help, contact Steven at [sshade@fumclvks.org](mailto:sshade@fumclvks.org).



Each Thanksgiving our church family takes a offering to help food pantries. This year we are giving to Trinity House, Stronghold, and the Leavenworth Mission. Please mark your check or use the special envelope.

If you're willing to buy Christmas gifts for a child in our community, take an ornament from the Angel Tree. It will have a child's name and wish list. Please return wrapped gifts by December 8. For info, call 682-5374.

