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Mission Statement

To share the Good News of Jesus Christ, through our worship, our education, and our role in our community and the world.

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Mission Statement

To spread the good news of Jesus Christ and the message of God's grace.

Pastor's Reflection: Thankful, Grateful, Blessed!

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Those three words hang on a sign in our living room, and I love the reminder every time I walk past. I love Thanksgiving and November, because this season brings "giving thanks" to the forefront of our thoughts and actions. But shouldn't gratitude be the main thing every month?

I love opening our Sunday services with what we are thankful for. What if we did that every single day? No matter what is going on in our lives, there is always, always something to be thankful for. Maybe it's something big, like a new grandchild. Maybe you are going through a hard season, and all you can be thankful for is that your feet hit the floor this morning. Whatever it is for you, know that God is good, and God will be with you in whatever you face, the highs and the lows.



"Gratitude is more than a season. It is the posture of a worshiping heart."

Praise God in it and through it all!

Thank you for the wonderful recognition and gifts during Clergy Appreciation Month. You made me feel loved and deeply appreciated. I give thanks for these three faithful, Spirit-filled churches that I am blessed to walk alongside in ministry. Together, we can do great things for our churches, our community, and our Lord!

Happy Thanksgiving on November 26th, and every day.

In Christ,
Pastor Mary

Charge Celebrations

New Auburn Birthdays

03 Kaleb Butterfield
04 Alex Kouba
08 Brett Stuckert
11 Wesley Stuckert
14 Ilene Moos
16 Mark North
19 Chris Butterfield
20 Caryl Schoen
22 Dan Stanford
27 Dawn Trowbridge
30 Charlotte Stanford

New Auburn Anniversaries

08 Dan and Peggy Stanford

Bloomer Birthdays

18 Carl Gumness
24 Karin Olson
24 Phillip Rayburn
30 Angie Woodman

Bloomre Anniversaries

05 Dennis and Linda Snyder

Ongoing Prayer Ministry

Please lift up our homebound friends in prayer.
Bloomer and New Auburn friends: Verona Donahue, Louise Hacker, Gordy Chapman...



Thank you!

Dear Bloomer church family and PoW,
Thank you so much for making me feel extra special and appreciated on Pastor Appreciation Day. I love the huge card with huge love inside, the corsage and the gift certificate. How very generous! I appreciate you all, too!
God bless-with love,
Pastor Mary

The Community Table

A small team of members from Bloomer and New Auburn UMC volunteered at the Community Table on October 22, 2026. The prep team worked on preparing Chicken Cheesy Grits with a tossed salad, sweet rice and a new recipe for our team…..fresh banana pudding. The meal was very tasty, especially the banana pudding. An easy recipe….shammed bananas, cinnamon and yogurt, all smooshed together. Thanks to Barb, George, Jaunita and Chris for preparing a wonderful meal. Every 86 guests served that day thank you also.
The serve and clean-up team was just two of us from the Bloomer/New Auburn churches, Kim and Chris, however we were thankful for the Community Table staff that helped us serve and clean-up. Thank you to Kim and Chris for serving the lunch. It is just a great opportunity to talk and laugh with the guests. It is so nice to hear…..”thank you’s” and “Yes, please” from the youngest guest (a young boy probably around 7) to the oldest guests.
Please consider volunteering sometime. It is like working and eating together with a large family. Next time we will volunteer will be sometime in March or April. Once the date is set, I will list the date in the newsletter. Just one more comment….a great opportunity you could do with your family. If this is something you are interested in, the date we serve could be scheduled for a Saturday noon lunch or on a Sunday, mid afternoon meal. Just give me a heads up……..Chris Draxler 715 225-2983.

Missions and Ministries



New Auburn UM Women of Faith

Thursday, November 5th, 1:00pm at New Auburn UMC. All are invited to participate in an Upper Room Bible Study. Come let's share a cup of coffee and good conversation.

PoW!
People of the WORD

Wednesday, November 4th at 1:00pm PoW! will meet at Bloomer UMC and will continue to meet the first Wednesday of each month at 1:00pm.

This month PoW! will be planning the Christmas Bazaar. Come and join us!

Save the date for the Christmas Bazaar...Saturday, December 5th, from 9:00am until 1:00pm. You can do your Christmas cookie baking right at the bazaar and your Christmas craft purchases. Then from 11:00am until 1:00pm there will be a cream turkey and biscuit dinner. Watch the bulletins, social media and our website for more information.



Weaving Mats

Weaving Sleeping Mats for the Homeless…….You know it!!!!!!!! Yes, we meet every Tuesday 10:15 – 11:45am in the basement of Bloomer UMC.

Try something new……come and join us. A time of weaving plarn, cutting plarn, sharing life and just enjoying having a purpose for a Tuesday morning.

See you on a Tuesday morning in November.

New Auburn UMC Loose Coin

For 26 years, one of our local missions for the New Auburn United Methodist Church is to assist Security Bank "Santa's Helpers Program" in providing children in the New Auburn Area School District with Christmas gifts. Last year, through the November loose coin offerings, we provided over 48 gifts to be distributed to the New Auburn School. Monetary donations are very much appreciated. Gift request cards will be placed in the back pew by mid November. If you chose to purchase a gift(s), please return the gift(s) card attached to the unwrapped gifts no later than Sunday, December 6th. Thank you for your generous Christmas spirit. Contact Veda with any questions.

Bloomer UMC Loose Coin

November's loose coin will go to Midwest Missions.

From midwestmissions.org/our-mission:

"We are a logistical conduit for Christ's ministry. We receive a request from trusted nonprofits, then prepare items we have and ask our supporters for items we need. Volunteers process, revitalize, and assemble the donated items. Then, donations are shipped to our trusted partners to distribute to those in crisis."

MIDWEST MISSION
disaster relief • education
health • micro business

Fall Fundraiser Update

A Special Thank You

Thank you to New Auburn Security Bank and New Auburn School PTO for helping with generous donations towards our Bloburn Youth Fundraiser for the Bloomer/New Auburn Food Pantry kids' weekend meals. And thank ou to all who gathered to make this fundraiser such a huge success!











Weekend Kids' Wish List

The Fall Fundraiser was amazing and the money raised will buy a lot of food for the kids but the need is not finite. Last year at this time they were handing out around 80 bags of food to kids in the Bloomer and New Auburn school districts. This year they are up to handing out 108 bags each week. There are 44 kids in New Auburn and 64 Kids in Bloomer that receive bags of food. The food pantry also continues the program through the summer.

Here is a wish list of items that go into the weekend meals bags:

- Macaroni and cheese - boxed dinners and/or individual cups
- 15 oz peanut butter, Squeeze bottles of jelly/fruit spread
- 15-17oz canned pasta ie Spaghetti Os
- Canned soup - tomato, chicken noodle, vegetable
- Cup of noodles, 1lb packages of spaghetti
- 8oz cans of vegetables - corn, green beans, peas, carrots
- Individual cups of applesauce or diced fruit, Squeeze pouches of applesauce
- Pop Tarts
- Instant Oatmeal
- Nutrigrain Bars
- Individual packages of Cheez Its or Goldfish Crackers
- 1oz packages of nuts or trail mix
- Capri Sun drink pouches or juice boxes
- Packets of peanut butter or cheese cracker sandwiches

If you feel called to purchase some items just bring them to church and Barb Biedenstein will make sure that the food gets to the food pantry.

Save the Date!

This month we need a whole page for save the dates!

Operation Christmas Child

Collection week is November 16th through November 23rd. The times are posted on the website and will be in the bulletins closer to that week.



Blooomer UMC Christmas Decorating

If you would like to help decorate Bloomer UMC for Christmas save the date of Saturday, November 28th. The time is yet to be determined so watch for it in Sunday bulletins.



Bloburn Christmas Program

Bloburn will be presenting a series of skits to tell the story of the first Christmas from the viewpoint of the employees of the Inn, the shepherds and the three Magi. This epic event will take place on Wednesday, December 9th beginning at 6:30pm.



Charge Conference

Charge conference will be November 23rd at Bloomer UMC beginning at 4:30pm. This is the time for members of Bloomer UMC, New Auburn UMC and Faith UMC, Ladysmith to gather and vote on the leadership of the churches, budgets and the overall health of our churches. You will also have the opportunity to speak to Peace Kim.

Operation Christmas Child

It's All About Jesus!





Woohoo! We have officially kicked off Operation Christmas Child at Bloomer UMC!

Have you checked out the displays by each of the main entrances at Bloomer UMC? You should if you haven't. There are empty boxes there for you to pick up and fill. There are also some filler items made by Mary Johnson that you can grab to add to your boxes and some of the boxes have drawings on the inside of the lid created by Delaney Stoffel.

Have you heard what our ginormous goal is this year? Our goal as a church is to pack 100 boxes! This is a very attainable goal for our small but mighty church of Jesus lovers.

If you aren't able to get to the church building to grab some empty boxes to fill you can build one online. There will be a link on our website by Wednesday, November 4th. This link will take you to our Bloomer UMC page and it will keep track of how many boxes were built online to count toward our 100 filled boxes. This link will be open until December 25th. It cost $30 to build a box online.

If you are filling a box yourself please bring it to church by Sunday, November 22nd at 8:00am and Pastor Mary and the young disciples along with the entire church will pray over the boxes.

If you have any questions please contact Michelle at 715-568-1971 or umc@bloomer.net

HAPPY PACKING!

