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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 Note

Dear Church Family,

Grateful. Thankful. Blessed. You've seen these words on wall art, coffee mugs, and social media posts. But gratitude is far more than a trendy phrase—it's something God delights to receive from us. God cherishes a heart that offers praise and thanksgiving for the many blessings we enjoy.

And yet, we know that life isn't always easy. Sometimes difficulties come at us from every direction: an unexpected bill, a broken-down car, a troubling diagnosis, an aging parent who needs our care, a child who's unwell. In those seasons, we may need to dig deeper to find the blessings—but they are always there. Perhaps it's in a breathtaking sunrise or the vibrant colors of autumn leaves. God's creation continuously offers beauty for which we can give thanks.

The Casting Crowns song "Praise You in This Storm" reminds us that God especially wants to hear from us when we're walking through difficulty. Our praise during the storm becomes even more meaningful, even more precious. Laura Story's song "Blessings" asks a profound question: "What if your blessings come through raindrops? What if your healing comes through tears?"

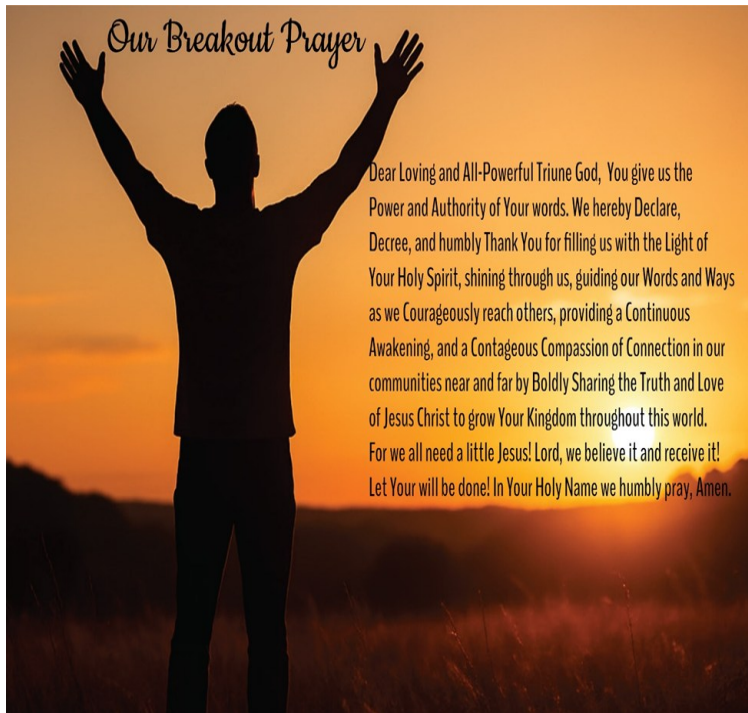
A dear friend battling cancer recently shared something beautiful with me. Through her journey, she has met remarkable people she never would have known otherwise. She has taken trips she never would have considered. She discovered blessings in and through her cancer that she couldn't have imagined.

As Thanksgiving approaches, let us be intentional about recognizing all we have to be thankful for. Let's talk to God—showing our gratitude through prayer and praise. God loves a thankful heart. As Paul tells the church in 1Thessalonians 5:16-18 - "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

Happy Thanksgiving on November 27th, and may we live with thanksgiving every day as we joyfully proclaim that we are grateful, thankful, and blessed.

I thank God for you,
Pastor Mary

Charge Celebrations



Plarn Mat Weaving

We continue to meet every Tuesday in the basement at Bloomer UMC 10:15 to 11:45am for weaving sleeping mats.



New Auburn Birthdays

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

New Auburn Anniversaries

08	Dan and Peggy Stanford
13	Mike and Janie Super

CELEBRATE!

Bloomer Birthdays

17	Sariah Teubert
18	Carl Gumness
24	Karin Olson
30	Angie Woodman

Bloomer Anniversaries

05	Dennis and Linda Snyder
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Thank You

Thank you so much to everyone that donated aluminum cans to the youth fellowship fund. Dale turned them in mid-October and \$90 was raised!

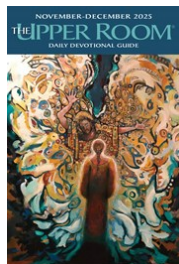


Keep collecting your cans over the winter and we'll collect them again in the spring.

The funds raised help to pay for curriculum for our children and youth programming, food for the programs and any other supplies that are needed for Kidzillion, Bloburn, and Prayer and Pizza.

Missions and Ministries

New Auburn UM Women of Faith



New Auburn UM Women of Faith will be November 6th, 1:00pm. All are welcome to participate in the Upper Room Bible Study. Come enjoy a little coffee and fellowship.

Ongoing Prayer Ministry


Please lift up our homebound friends in prayer.

Bloomer and New Auburn friends:
Verona Donahue, Louise Hacker, Gordy Chapman...

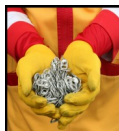


Bloomer On Going Missions

Keep on collecting your...

 **...Aluminum cans...**SAVE your ALUMINUM CANS...we will not collect them thru the winter...but please SAVE them and we will get them in the spring!

...Pop tabs...They will be given to Ronald McDonald House Charities to help raise money so the people that need to stay there are able to do it without worrying about how to pay for where they will stay when their child is in the hospital.



...Box Tops...The box tops go to help the area schools. Remember to enter them into the Box Tops website.

If you have any questions about these missions please feel free to contact Maryann Gumness or Juanita Fransway.

Caps and Personal Hygiene

Do you have any brand new personal hygiene products or hats that you have knit that you would like to donate to various organizations? Talk to Juanita Fransway and she can help you get them to people in need. You can find her Sunday mornings at Bloomer UMC.



New Auburn Loose Change for November – Santa's Helpers



Since 2001, one of our missions for the New Auburn United Methodist Church is to assist the Security Bank "Santa's Helpers Program" in providing children in the New Auburn School District with Christmas gifts. Last year, through the November loose coin offerings and the gift cards, we provided over 42 gifts to be distributed to the New Auburn School. Gift request cards will be placed in the back pew when I get them. If you would like to help with this mission, but don't want to shop, your monetary donation helps immensely. If you choose this option, please submit your monetary donation by Sunday, November 16th so I then can do the shopping. Envelopes are available on the back pew. Please return the gift card attached to the unwrapped gift no later than Sunday, December 6th. As in the past 24 years, thank you for your generous Christmas spirit. Please call Veda at 715-491-4951 with any questions.



Bloomer UMC Loose Coin

November's loose change offering at Bloomer UMC will go to the Bloomer Clothes Closet.

Save The Date

- DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS, November 2nd. Fall back!
- Charge Conference, Thursday, November 6th, 5:00pm at Faith United Methodist Church in Ladysmith



Missions, Ministries and Christian Education



Advent Devotional Booklet 2025

For the past 3 years, we have put together an Advent Devotional Booklet filled with stories from you. Help us make this year's even more special by contributing a story, poem, artwork, etc. This will include all six churches in the charges of Pastors Paul

and Mary. Our title for 2025 is "Hearth and Home for the Holidays."

Please get your submissions to Pastor Mary at marykuehn12@yahoo.com by November 28th to be included. Get your creativity on!

Bloomer Ecumenical Service

Everyone is invited to the Bloomer Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service on Sunday, November 23rd, 6pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1800 Jackson St, Bloomer.

Children and Youth

Pre-Kidzillion, Kidzillion and Bloburn are cruising along wonderfully!

In Pre-Kidzillion the littles are learning about how God loves them and that they are in Jesus' heart.

The Kidzillion kids are having fun learning from the Bible buddies, music, and interactive Bible stories. They are being shown that God always keeps His promise.

Bloburn youths just wrapped up their Fall Harvest Fest at New Auburn UMC. Next up they will be working on a Christmas program that they will perform on December 10th. Watch for more information in the bulletins, on social media and on the website.

Thank you everyone that prays for these programs. Please continue because your prayers are helping to strengthen our programs.



IT'S ALL ABOUT **JESUS!**

Pack a Shoebox

Samaritan's Purse

The displays are set up for Operation Christmas Child 2025 at Bloomer! Grab a shoebox or shoeboxes and make them fun, full, and personalized. National Collection Week is November 17 – 24. Please return your shoeboxes to church and we will build a display of them in the front area of church. As you pack your shoeboxes, please remember to pray over them – that is the most important item you can put in your shoebox gift.

If you don't feel like shopping, please consider building a shoebox online. We will have a Goal Page set up again this year that you may add to. Just type Operation Christmas Child in your web browser and it will take you to the main page and you can scroll down to find the 'Build A Shoebox Online' link and our Goal Page. For just \$30 you can build a fun-filled shoebox online and that includes the \$10 postage and processing fee. You make all the choices of what goes into the box – without ever leaving your couch!

One thing to note for 2025 – Soap is no longer allowed in shoebox gifts because of the complication it causes in customs in some nations.



Millions of children around the world are coming to know Jesus through these shoebox gifts – what a wonderful mission to be a part of!

If you have any questions, please contact Shelly at 715-404-0636 or mijohnk@bloomer.net or Michelle at 715-568-1971 or umc@bloomer.net.

