

THE CHURCH WINDOW

A Monthly Newsletter of the Mohican Charge - Bigelow, Lakeville,
Loudonville, Perrysville, & Wayne Co. Fairview UMCS



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By Rev. David Miller



We have reached the season of fall. We have had some crisp cool mornings already. Experts are saying that the rain and the cool weather already will make the trees pop with color this fall. We will have to wait and see if that is true.

October invites us to pause and reflect on the beauty of God's changing seasons. Just as nature shifts, our church community continues to grow, learn, and serve side by side. We seem to also be getting back into our regular schedules now too since school started a little over a month ago; but it is also a great time to remember Psalm 107:1 that reads, "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever."

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Fall is also a time for us to consider our giving to the church and to other places. It is a time to refocus our hearts on thankfulness (hence the Scripture above) and contribute to the places that have helped us in our lives. We have done many things as a church in the last few months: we gave away bikes at community events, we hosted the Little Sprouts sale, we improved the church building with caulking around the stained glass windows, and putting in a handicapped bathroom just off the sanctuary. We have served approximately 100 meals at our community dinners and have kept our Hope Cupboard full. We even have improved the parsonage by taking down a rotten tree, the septic tank was cleaned, and other small repairs. All of these things we should be thankful to God for Him giving us the resources we needed to accomplish everything.

As we look toward the final quarter of the year, let us remember that none of the above ministries would have been done without your generosity and for that I say thank you. Let us consider as we continue to move forward how we might be able to share our time, talents, and resources to keep the church going. Just a reminder there is a list of things that need done in the overflow of the sanctuary in addition to needing a large sum of money for a new roof on the church. Please consider how you can help: maybe with your time, maybe your presence, maybe with your energy, maybe with your talents, and maybe even with your resources. Your faithful support keeps our ministries vibrant and welcoming to everyone. I wish all of you a Happy Fall and a wonderful month of October.

Your pastor and friend,

Pastor David Miller

Cooperative Parish Future Dates

**Charge Conference for Mohican Parish is November 4 at 10
AM at Creston Cannan UMC.**

Ladies Lunch

*Ladies are invited to join Fairview
for their monthly Ladies Lunch.
Next one is Friday, October 23 at
11am. Contact (text) Jane Benson to
RSVP 330-464-4318
Location: Pine Tree Barn
4374 Shreve Rd, Wooster*

Upcoming Events

10/10 Lakeville UMC Food Pantry, 9am

10/12 Loudonville Governance Board Meeting,
6:30pm

10/13 Perrysville UMC Meal, 5pm

10/15 Co-op Cohort Meeting, 10:30am

10/20 Loudonville Community Meal, 5pm

10/23 Fairview Ladies Lunch, 11am

10/24 Lakeville UMC Food Pantry, 9am

10/24 Community Family Fun Day, @ Nazarene

Church 11am-2pm

A decorative border of autumn leaves in shades of orange, yellow, and red frames the entire poster. The leaves are scattered around the edges, with some overlapping the text.

Community Family Fun Day!

**Saturday, October 24
11am-2pm**

(Rain or Shine!)

**Yard
Games!**

**Hay
Rides!**

**@ Loudonville
Church of the Nazarene**

Corner of N. Union & Campbell Streets

**Bounce
House!**

**Kids
Crafts!**

**Barrel
Train
Rides**

**Hot Dogs
& Sloppy
Dogs!**

**Face
Painting!**



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THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

HELP US HELP YOU

We have had a good start with the “Help Us Help You!” mission. We have had a couple of misses (yes, we are human) and we apologize. We are currently looking for a coordinator to pick up the baton and help move this mission forward. It would involve receiving text or phone calls from those who could use a little bit of help and connecting them with the congregants that have offered to provide specific services upon request. Does this mission touch your heart in anyway? Please talk with Eric Stitzlein or Barb Burd for more discussion. Thank you.

Raise the Roof

The church needs a new roof in 3-4 years. We need a few individuals to come together and brainstorm the best way to raise the funds for replacement. There is a sign-up sheet in the overflow or visit with a member of the Governance Board.



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GOVERNANCE BOARD

Would you be interested in serving a 3-year term on the Governance Board? We have three members rotating off, opening three seats to begin in January 2027. Please visit with a Governance Board member if you are interested.

What do they do?

- Combines the roles of the Church Council, Board of Trustees, Finance Committee, and Staff-Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) into one group.
- Meet the 2nd Monday evening of each month- 6:30 p.m.
- Typically consists of 9 to 12 members serving rotating 3-year terms.
- Shifts time away from minor event logistics and micromanagement, focusing instead on spiritual leadership, vision, strategy, and policy oversight.

Join the Choir

Do you enjoy singing and don't feel like you have a good enough voice? Come give us a try! We practice in the fellowship hall at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings. We would love to have you.

News from Your Community Meal Team



Upcoming Community Meals:

October 6 NO Meal

October 20: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Cake

(Meals are subject to change, based on donations)

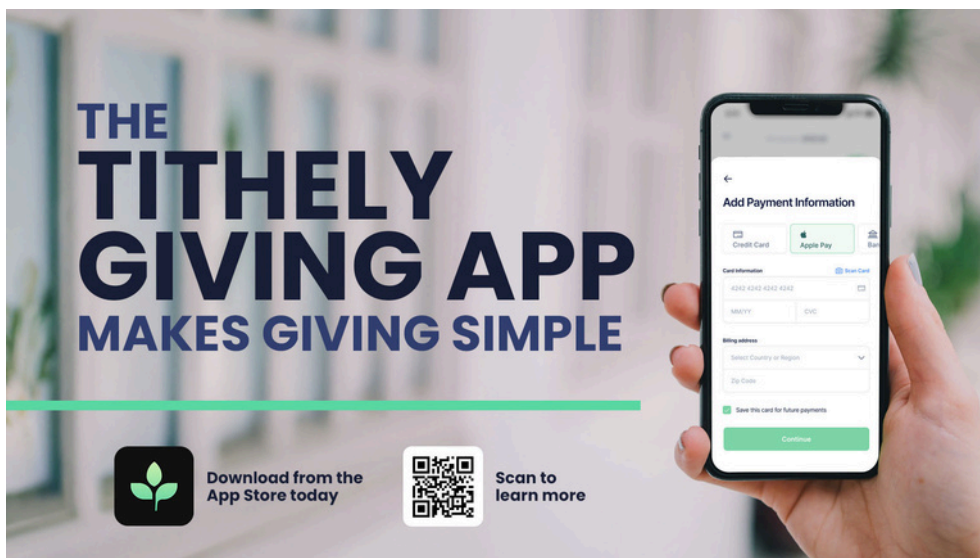
Community Trunk or Treat

This year could be our biggest ever. Saturday, October 31. Our theme is “Don’t follow the herd, Follow the Word” Cow theme. We will be passing out Cow Tales candies downtown at the community Trunk or Treat. Please see Kelly Fetzner to help with donations of Cow Tales or funds to purchase them.



Operation Christmas Child Year-Round Shoebox Collection

February	Hair bands, clips and barrettes, hair brushes and combs.
March	For the older kids: Tape measures, flashlights with batteries, small tool kits, sewing kits, heavy bright colored thread.
April	Outdoor fun: small rubber balls, jacks, chalk, jump ropes, yo-yos, deflated soccer balls and pump
May	Individual packaged toothbrushes, including children's sizes, band aids for kids
June	Small dolls, matchbox cars, decks of cards, card games
July	Watch for the picnic supplies sales: any plastic cups, bowls, heavy plastic utensils, and any kind of refillable water bottles.
August	Shop the school supplies sales for small notebooks, pencils, pencil sharpeners, colored pencils, watercolors and crayons
September	Ball caps or sun hats
October	Collect any items yet needed. We'll send out a list.
November	Pack our boxes and pray for the children receiving them. Donate \$10 for shipping of each box.



We are excited to announce that giving to Loudonville United Methodist Church is easier and more convenient than ever! We have joined Tithely Giving.

Tithely Giving is an easy-to-use platform that will allow you to give online and on your phone. You can make both one-time and recurring gifts, give with a credit/debit card or ACH transaction, and even Cover the Fees (which will help your gift go even farther!)

Option 1: Give on the Tithely Giving App

Download the Tithely App from the App Store (iPhone) or Google Play Store (Android). Once you've downloaded the app, select Loudonville United Methodist Church and follow the steps listed below (for using a Giving Form).

Option 2: Give on Our Website.

Go to: <https://loudonvilleumc.com/give> to access a Giving Form on our church website. Just like on our app, you can also set up a recurring gift that makes your regular giving automatic.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call or email us and we'd be happy to assist you further.

Thank you for your generosity. Your financial partnership helps to build the Kingdom of God in our community—and world.

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Church Family

October Celebrations

Anniversaries

10/11 MATT & KARA Armstrong
10/14 Michael & HEIDI Bontatibus
10/17 PAUL & TIFFANY Gray
10/19 MARK & TERRI Lemke
10/25 NED & JUDY Burgess

Birthdays

10/01 TED Daniels
10/01 MICHAEL McClain
10/02 JUDY Sabo
10/02 TERRI Lemke
10/05 James Sabo
10/05 SYDNEY Mitchell
10/06 Kennedy Harper
10/07 Joshua Cassill
10/08 Craig Inscho
10/11 Jodie Cassill
10/11 BECKETT Reidenbach
10/11 Raelyn Burd

Birthdays - continued

10/12 Kate Burkhart
10/14 MARY LOU Gess
10/15 JAMES Brewer II
10/19 JOHN Cassill
10/20 Victoria Hawkins
10/24 SHARON Ray
10/25 PATRICIA Mowery
10/25 Oliver Burd
10/28 NANCY Heller

Serving in Worship

Liturgists

10/04 Walt Burd
10/11 Robin Hughes
10/18 Joey Raines
10/25 Linda Mehaffey

Greeters

10/04 Jim and Sharon
10/11 Karen and Ken
10/18 Tammy and Sandy
10/25 Nila and