

# Rejoice!

A newsletter for the family and friends of The Shell Lake United Methodist Church

December 2023



## HOLIDAY WORSHIP AND EVENTS



### **December 2nd—**

**Holiday Bazaar and Bake Sale**

**Sponsored by: Sarah Circle**

*(see flyer inside for details)*



### **December 3rd—**

**First Sunday in Advent  
with Holy Communion**



### **December 10th—**

**Second Sunday in Advent**



### **December 17th—**

**Third Sunday in Advent**



### **December 24th—**

**Fourth Sunday in Advent 10:30 am Service  
and Christmas Eve Worship 4:30 pm**



### **December 31st—**

**First Sunday After Christmas  
Sunday Fun Day UMM Pig Roast/Potluck  
Luncheon, Games and Surprises!**



# POINSETTIAS



As we look forward to our upcoming Christmas worship, we are offering the congregation the opportunity once again to share Christmas Poinsettias to enhance the beauty of our Sanctuary. If you are able to share your plant, please bring it to the church on Friday, December 22 before 3 pm.

Please make sure to put your name on your plant if you plan to take it home again to insure you get the same plant back.

Flowers may be shared in honor or memory of someone. Just fill out the coupon below and turn it in to the church office by noon on Wed., Dec. 20th or email Carla at: [churchofficeslumc@gmail.com](mailto:churchofficeslumc@gmail.com)

The Memorial/Honors list will be included in the Christmas Eve Bulletin on Sunday, December 24th. Thank you and Merry Christmas!



## YES, I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE/DONATE A POINSETTIA TO ENHANCE CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

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In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

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(Please return to the church office by noon on Wed., Dec. 20th or email:  
[churchofficeslumc@gmail.com](mailto:churchofficeslumc@gmail.com) ~ Thank you.)





**Please keep in your prayers:**

**Shirley Stowell**

**Dalton Schroeder**

**Eleanor Taule**

**Dan Ringwalski**

**Pam Ringwalski**

**Chris Wendt family & Baby Lucinda**

**Charlotte Thompson**

**Kip Dunham**

**Bun Weathers**

**Lisa Wisner (Gwen Organ's granddaughter)**

**Chuck and Sharon Wendt's daughter and her family**

**Please also pray for:**

- **Pastor Adel, Gladys, Archei, Ady and Glam.**
- **Cumberland First UMC our new sister church.**
- **Those who are or will be traveling and those hunting.**
- **National Guardsmen, Military Personnel, Police, Fire, EMT's and healthcare providers everywhere.**
- **Those who are shut-in, in hospitals, residing in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes.**
- **Those families and communities affected by gun violence**
- **Those who are victims of severe weather events.**
- **Those who are battling addictions.**
- **Those who are separated from family.**
- **Those who are persecuted for their faith.**
- **Those who are separated from the love of God.**
- **All countries affected by wars.**



- 3rd Don Bremer
- 11th Gloria Elliott
- 12th Gilbert Livingston
- 22nd Kim Martin
- 30th Sabrina Naglosky

**God's Blessings to all our friends with**

**December Birthdays!**

Please keep these folks in your prayers as they celebrate December birthdays.

And, if you are able, make their day a little more special with a call, text, tweet, post or card.



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# Holiday Bazaar

Saturday, Dec. 2nd

9 am to 2 pm



Silent Auction on  
an original painting  
by local artist, Scott Crosby

Handcrafted Items

Jar Mixes

Jewelry Sale

Bake Sale

Puzzle Table

**Cinnamon Rolls &**

**Lunch available**

135 Reinhart Drive, Shell Lake

715-468-2405





# Food Pantry Update



The Washburn County Food Pantry is very appreciative of our recent donations and continued support. After a successful Thanksgiving distribution, they are busily preparing for the upcoming Christmas season.

Currently they are requesting **egg noodles** and **side dishes**, such as Rice a Roni or Knorr's mixes. They also still need **oatmeal**, but please remember no flavored oatmeal or individual serving sizes. One pound packages of oatmeal are the perfect size. Also requested are **cake mixes** and frosting, and individual bars of bath soap.

And finally, a reminder that cookies are an extremely welcomed donation. Volunteers will begin making up plates of Christmas cookies on December 5th, to be distributed throughout the month. If you have any questions or would like your donation



## 3rd Annual *Messiah Sing-along*

~Save the Date~

*"A timeless masterwork which transcends three centuries of fads and fashions, Handel's Messiah is an event of joy, reflection, and renewal." [Pacific Symphony]*

**When:** December 19, 2023 9:30-2:30

**Where:** Shell Lake art Center, 802 1st St, Shell Lake, WI 54871

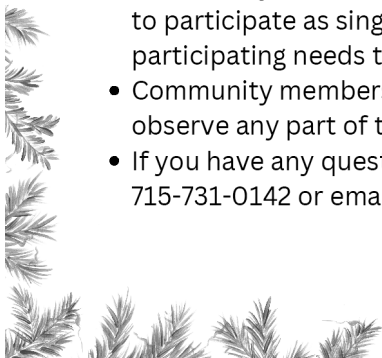
**Who:** Community Members, Area High schools students and Director(s)

**Why:** To bring our community members together and provide an opportunity to sing Handel's The Messiah

**Cost:** Free will donation. Lunch will be provided

**How:** Register via phone 715-731-0142 or email [info@shelllakeartscenter.org](mailto:info@shelllakeartscenter.org) by December 4th. Please provide your name and phone number.

- Community members and church choirs are welcome to participate as singers. Anyone interested in participating needs to arrive by 9:30 AM.
- Community members are welcome to come and observe any part of the workshop
- If you have any questions feel free to call Alyssa at 715-731-0142 or email [info@shelllakeartscenter.org](mailto:info@shelllakeartscenter.org)



**What:** N.W. District Youth Christmas Party,

**When:** Saturday, Dec. 16th

**Time:** Noon (lunch provided) - 3 pm

**Where:** Chapel Heights United Methodist Church

[300 E. Hamilton Ave. Eau Claire, WI 54701](http://300.E.Hamilton.Ave.EauClaire,WI.54701)

**Please text** for head count of youth attending: cell: 608-632-2792

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**What to expect at the party:**

**Wear an ugly Christmas Sweater/Shirt**

**Food** will be provided, starting at noon for lunch.

**Gift exchange:** White Elephant; bring a gift - receive a gift. \$10 - \$15 max.

**Food donation for Food Pantry:** Please bring a **food item** for the local Food Pantry at Chapel Heights. Name entered for a special gift drawing.

Youth will wrap some **gifts** for local charities, play some **games** and finish with **singing Christmas Carols**.

# Tis the Season” by Tooker Weathers



*Tis the Season...and the Fishers will meet on Sunday, December 10th at 9:15 am sharp, in the Fellowship Hall to enjoy the Fisher’s Christmas Party.*

*And, since it is the “season”, those men who wish to participate, may bring a white elephant” gift (age and gender specific—whatever that means) to share in a gift roulette”, and no, there will be NO gambling involved, just good, old-fashioned fun!*

*So SLUMC men, mark your calendar for Sunday, December 10th at 9 am for more “Fisher’s Fun” and plan to attend.*

*If you have questions or concerns or if you can’t be there, call Tooker at:715-468-7464 or send a text to 715-520-0893. Regardless, hope to see you at our next Fisher’s gathering and Merry Christmas!*



Sarah Circle will be holding their Soup/Sandwich Luncheon on Sunday, December 17th. Everyone is invited to come for lunch. All donations received support their mission work.

**The Shell Lake UMM a.k.a “The Fishers” Cordially invite YOU to attend a very special “End of Year” Celebration to thank you for your support.**

# Happy New Year!



## FELLOWSHIP

Cumberland First UMC has been invited to join us for Worship, a Pig Roast/Potluck luncheon & Surprises!

**Sunday,  
December 31**

Potluck to immediately follow worship

## FOOD



## FUN

**BINGO**  
(with incredible prizes)...

or...BYOG  
(Bring your own games!)



# December

2nd	Saturday	<b>All-Church Bazaar sponsored by Sarah Circle Crafts, Food, Bake Sale from 9-2pm in the Fellowship Hall</b>
3rd	Sunday	<b>First Sunday of Advent "Hope" Holy Communion</b>
6th	Wednesday	<b>Choir 4:30 pm</b>
10th	Sunday	<b>Second Sunday of Advent "PEACE" Sarah Circle 9:15 am; Fishers Christmas Party 9:15 am</b>
13th	Wednesday	<b>Choir 4:30 pm</b>
13th	Wednesday	<b>Joint SPRC meets at Cumberland First UMC 6pm Special Charge Conference at Cumberland First 7pm</b>
17th	Sunday	<b>Third Sunday of Advent "JOY" Sarah Circle Soup and Sandwich Lunch</b>
20th	Wednesday	<b>Community Event at Shell Lake Arts Center "Sing Along Messiah" 9:30-2:30 (lunch provided) register at 715-731-0142 by December 4th</b>
20th	Wednesday	<b>Choir 4:30</b>
20th	Wednesday	<b>Honors/Memorial Poinsettia Names due at Church. Please leave a message at:715468-2405 or email: churchofficeslumc@gmail.com Thank you.</b>
22nd	Friday	<b><u>Poinsettias can be brought to the church from 10-3pm for Christmas Eve Worship</u></b>
24th	Sunday	<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent "LOVE" regular morning service 10:45 am  Christmas Eve Candle Light Service <u>***New Time*** 4:30 pm</u></b>
25th	Monday	<b>NO Christmas Day Service MERRY CHRISTMAS!</b>
27th	Wednesday	<b>Choir at Glenview 4:30 pm</b>
31st	Sunday	<b>Sunday Fun-Day with UMM Fishers "Thank You" Pig Roast and Potluck following worship. Games, Surprises, More! HAPPY NEW YEAR!</b>

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## **The Shell Lake United Methodist Church**

**and Pastor Adelbert Frejas**

**invite you to join us for worship Sunday  
mornings at 10:45 a.m.**



**Shell Lake United Methodist Church**

**135 Reinhart Drive, Shell Lake, WI**

**PLEASE JOIN US**

**Christmas Eve  
Candlelight Service  
at 4:30 pm  
Sunday, Dec. 24th.**

**Can't make it to church?**

**WATCH the Shell Lake UMC Sunday morning worship service at 10:45am on You Tube**

**For more information call the church office at 715-468-2405 or check out our website: [umcslsar.com](http://umcslsar.com)**

