

Little Bells...

... your weekly update to The Chimes

Elder and Deacon for November

The Elder for November is Beth Doebereiner, 513-675-4295. The Deacon for November is Sue Poulos, 513-376-1623.

Covid Policy Updates



Until such time as Hamilton County Covid-19 case numbers decrease, MPC will go back to requiring that masks be worn during Worship, in the sanctuary and Gathering Room (with the exception of the Pastor and Liturgist when they are speaking.) The MPC Session voted and made this decision in accordance with current CDC guidelines.



The volunteer who prepares the communion elements wears a mask and gloves during the preparation and cleanup process. Gluten free crackers are placed on the trays before the preparer places the bread into the cups on the trays. The gluten free crackers are only touched by the communion preparer.



Fall Back: Be On Time for Church!

Remember (before you go to bed) to set your clocks back an hour this **Saturday**, **November 6.**(Be right on time for the Nov. 7 Worship service!) And change the batteries in your smoke detectors!

November & December Mission



Thanksgiving Baskets

The Deacons are collecting canned goods and other items for families in need in our community for Thanksgiving. There are many ways to help; Please look for the sign up list in the Gathering Room.

- You can bring in canned goods and/or a homemade baked goodie (note: we will assemble 10 baskets);
- you can make a monetary donation (you may use envelopes in the pews, marked "Thanksgiving baskets");
- you can pack and deliver the baskets to families (on Saturday, November 20).

Angel

Angel/Mitten Trees & OGB Holiday Store

Angel and Mitten Trees are now in the Gathering Room, and the OGB Holiday Store is now accepting donations. Please see the November Chimes for details, or contact Sandra Bowen (Trees) or Beth Doebereiner (OGB) if you have questions.





New Adult CE Series Begins November 7

The new Sunday School series, "Living God's Love Through Our Differences," will begin **Sunday**, **November 7**, and will be led by Karen Simpson & Beth Doebereiner. Classes begin at 9:00am.

Date Change for Rev. Ben's Anniversary Celebration

It is coming up on one year since Rev. Ben became MPC's Pastor. We will celebrate the occasion after the **December 5** Worship service. Please note this is a new date from what was published last week.



New Book Club Selection

The next Book Club selection is *Our Souls at Night* by Kent Haruf. In the small town of Holt, Colorado, Addie Moore pays an unexpected visit to a neighbor, Louis Waters. Her husband died years ago, as did his wife, and in such a small town they naturally have known of each other for decades; in fact, Addie was quite fond of Louis's wife. Addie and Louis have long been living alone in houses

now empty of family, the nights so terribly lonely, especially with no one to talk with. This book chronicles their brave adventures. We will be meeting online on **Monday, December 13**, at 7pm. If you would like to join in for the discussion, please contact Doug Rose so that he can include you in the Zoom link.

Thank You to Our Veterans

We thank Bob Bushman, Helen Colley, Lew French, Clarence Hammel, Jay Mathis, Rick Parrish, Peter Poulos, Wally Stegmann, Ron Uchtman and Carol Venn for their service to our country. The Deacons will recognize our veterans with Coffee Hour in their honor next **Sunday, November 14**.

Mark Your Calendars for Our Christmas Tree Lighting: Sunday, December 5

Invitations to MPC's **December 5** Tree Lighting can be found in the Gathering Room, along with adhesive address labels that need to be applied so that they may be sent in the mail. If many hands can pitch in for this task, it will make for light work. After all labels are applied, you may take extras to share with friends and neighbors.



Ladies Circle

In December, Ladies Circle will begin a new series on **Wednesday**, **December 1**: What My Grand-mothers Taught Me, Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus. In December, we will be changing our meeting date AND time to **the first Wednesday of the month**, at **noon** in the Gathering Room.

