



<u>November 5</u> ALL SAINTS SUNDAY 23rd Sunday after Pentecost "John 14:12-14 Matthew 28:16-20 Guest Speaker: Eríc Carlson



<u>November 12</u> ORGAN & TISSUE DONATION SUNDAY 24th Sunday after Pentecost



<u>November 19</u> GRATITUDE SUNDAY 25th Sunday after Pentecost **"Thanksgiving to Prophecy"** Luke 1:67-80



<u>November 26</u> STUDENT SUNDAY Christ the Kings Sunday "Learning Tools of Goodness" Isaiah 2:1-5



"<u>Thud</u>"

After this I saw another angel coming down from heaven. He had great authority, and the earth was filled with light because of his glory. He called out with a loud voice, saying, "Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great!

-Revelation 18:1-2 (CEB)

I often find that people get nervous around the Book of Revelation. It's almost as if just the mention of the title puts people on edge. It's often associated with doom-and-gloom, "end times," "rapture" (we'll get to this one in a minute) and other such things. The Book of Revelation is like the dishes on Thanksgiving. Everyone knows it's coming, but no one wants to deal with it.

Did I mention its one of my favorite books of the Bible?! It actually is! I love the Book of Revelation, and not *at all* because of the things it's so often associated with (see above).

Let's start with doom-and-gloom. The style of literature with which the Book of Revelation is written is called "Apocalyptic Literature." While I know that name, too, sounds scary, it's just a style, much like *poetry* or *allegory* are styles of writing. Apocalyptic literature is most known for being dramatic, written in narrative form (*reads like a story*), and presents present circumstances as doom-and-gloom, and then presents a final day as an outcome. This is a style used pretty broadly in ancient literature, not just in Revelation. Also, none of this is intended to say that apocalyptic literature is intended to be understood literally. Similarly, consider the <u>Tortoise and the Hare</u>. It's intended to be understood as a fable (*another style of writing*), and not a factual account of a rabbit and turtle running cross country. So, don't be scared by the doom-and-gloom! It's just the style of writing. It's not meant to freak anyone out.

How about the "end times" stuff, though? Again, it's all part of the style. It's not intended to predict a day on the calendar when some cosmic or geopolitical events will bring the world to an end. Those images and descriptions are just part of the doom-and-gloom style that is apocalyptic literature! The Book of Revelation was never intended to be a user's manual for predicting the end of the world or anything like that. Its intent is actually far more intriguing.

But before I get to that (*I know! Cliffhanger, right?!*), let me address that thing called the "rapture." If you've heard of it before – either from a book series that I don't really recommend, from a social media post, or from your neighbor with a lot of ideas to share – you know that it's a theory that teaches that one day, evil (Satan) will get its ultimate grasp on the world and all its people, and that God will take all true Christian believers to heaven, leaving behind everyone else, not to mention the clothes of those who have seemingly vanished, to experience the days of tribulation that are to follow. (*deep breath*)

Sounds scary, eh? Well, let me put you at ease. Rapture theory is NOT a theory that United Methodists hold to, nor is it sound theology. And before you get worried that I'm denouncing core Christian beliefs, let me reassure you that "rapture" theory has only been around since the early 1800's, and was *Continued on next page*

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espoused with the hopes of converting non-Christians into believers. You know, *"if we scare them, they might convert!"* While it may have worked to some degree, it did a great disservice to the Book of Revelation and the reputation of apocalyptic literature (and Christianity, while we're at it).

So, what is the Book of Revelation really about, then? This is the intriguing part! It's the story, written in the apocalyptic style, of John receiving a revelation from the risen Christ that reminds him of what the present world is like (difficult circumstances, to say the least), and assures him that, that which is not of God and Love (referred to as Babylon) does not win in the end! God wins in the end! It's in that moment of the narrative that we hear the words you read at the beginning: *"Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great!"*

Now, this might be the most simplistic one-paragraph description of the Book of Revelation (it really deserves it's own sermon series...hmmm). But, why do I like the book so much? It's because the pages are alive with proclamations of resurrection, new possibilities, new life, restoration, and goodness! It's a reminder to me that, no matter what we face in this world (and we certainly face some challenging things), God has already overcome it! No matter what "Babylons" we face in life – that which is not of God and Love – whether we face them personally or communally, God has and will again, cause Babylon to fall!

There are times when the world around us feels like it's crumbling. It's in those moments that the King of all kings, the Lord of all lords, and the Prince of Peace invites us to hear the thud of that which is evil, hate, violence, hurt, division, and strife.

Say it with me: "Fallen! Fallen is Babylon!"

And so, we give thanks! Pastor Brian



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OUR CHURCH FAMILY: Shirlev Andrews Ron Blakemore **Donna Brookins** Jim Bunker Ruth Davis Rev. Julius Del Pino Lisa England Marcia Ferguson Ann Fraile Judy Gratsch Donna Hedding Dick Hubler Janice King Paul Manning Paul & Anna Roth family Linda Zarnke



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~ We extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Phyllis Heide, who passed away on September 25. Phyllis is Kim Gordinier's mother. Phyllis' service will be held on Saturday, November 4 at 11 am at Halsey UMC (at the corner of Halsey & Baldwin Roads.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATI

Director of Christian Education Angela Campbell christian.education@grandblancumc.org

Pastor's Pick!

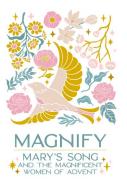
Each month Pastor Brian will be offering his "Pastor's Pick" book recommendation. This book could be one that he is highlighting in his sermon series, one that goes with the current church season, or one that is just a good book to read. Hope you enjoy. **The church will be purchasing a copy of each of Pastor's book picks for the church library. If you are interested in reading any of them, you are welcome to "check them out!" Previous "Pastor's Picks can be found in the Church Library.**

November 2023 book pick: "Catching Ricebirds: A Story of Letting

Vengeance Go" By Marcus Doe

<u>Advent Devotional Study</u> Each Advent season, Christian communities all over the world return to Mary's stirring song, the "Magnificat." But the truth is, Mary doesn't sing alone. She sings with Hannah, and Elizabeth, and Miriam, and Shiphrah, and Puah, and Rizpah, and Ruth – and a host of other magnificent women who "magnify" God's mission of love and grace, preparing the way for Christmas morning and beyond.

Join me as we explore weekly via Zoom this Advent devotional where we focus on a few of those women in scripture who blazed the trail for Mary and Jesus, and who can inspire us, too, to join in the song of God's salvation, where the lowly are lifted up, the mighty are brought down from their thrones, and the hungry are filled with good things. Come, Jesus, come!



We will meet each week, starting Tuesday, November 28 @ 7pm via Zoom. Each participant will get a printed copy of the devotional and other materials to use. Cost for the materials is by donation to cover the use fee for printing. Please contact Angela Campbell at <u>christian.education@grandblancumc.org</u> or the office to sign up and get your materials.

Pastor Brian's Drop-In Online Bible Study

10-11am Every Thursday No start date or end date. Just come and join us!

A weekly Bible Study lead by Pastor Brian for everyone who has ever wanted to take a closer look at Scripture. Drop-in anytime you want!



Our nursery is available for preschool age and younger during all worship services. All children are always

welcome in the Sanctuary during worship services. Adrianna and a volunteer adult are in the Nursery, if you would prefer to let your children play there while you worship. S.O.S - Support Our Students

Fall is here and we have resumed our SOS (support our students) program. The names of college age youth displayed in the Narthex. If you are so inclined, please take a youth's name and commit to support them during this current school year with mail, prayers, etc.

Youth Group will be collecting goods for SOS boxes which will be sent out before the end of their semester. A collection box will be located in the Narthex during November. Items included in these boxes could include, food or snacks, school supplies, and/or personal supplies. Anything that is non-liquid, non-perishable and will fit in an 8x8 box!!



COMMUNITY OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT

Community Outreach & Engagement (COE), a long title for such a simple concept LOVING and CARING for our neighbors.



ON SALE NOW!! Includes, Dinner and Show held @ the church



Michigan Comedian Billy Ray Bauer, has performed in 40 states and in Canada. Billy Ray has appeared on the nationally syndicated Bob and Tom Show and was named best local comedian for 2017 by Hour Detroit magazine. His G/PG show will be sure to keep us laughing. Don't miss out!

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Chicken, Pasta, Salads, Menu Hot Vegetable, Rolls, Dessert, Drinks

This event is a fundraiser to support the Community Care Fund (formerly Pastors discretionary fund). The fund is sustained exclusively through fundraising and currently is taxed and unable to provide the much help necessary for current needs. Those needs can include, help with rent. utilities and the church typically has on hand gas cards for folks with transportation emergencies.

Looking Ahead

Grand Blanc Chamber of Commerce & The City of Grand Blanc Present



We serve a FREE DINNER every first Wednesday of the month from 5-6:30 pm.

COMMUNITY DINNER

All are welcome!!!

Wednesday, November 1, 2023

Pizza Buffet, Salad, Drinks and Dessert

NOW SERVING UNTIL 6:30

Wednesday, December 6, 2023

Hot Beef Sandwich, Mashed Potatoes w/gravy, Corn, Dessert & Drinks

Here's an idea Share the LOVE, INVITE your friends.



D ecently instead of candy, custom **N** cookies (donated by a generous soul) were dropped off at the Fire Station, Police Station, Florist and the Chamber of Commerce. What fun as we celebrate the many leader and businesses we have in GB.

WE CONTINUE TO CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY BUSINESSES BY SHARING **OUR THANKS AND AFFIRMING WHAT** THEY DO IN OUR COMMUNITY.

Leigh LaForest (*Pictured*) Grand Blanc Chamber of Commerce, President, smiles at the thought of enjoying some special homemade treats.



ith more volunteers we will have the opportunity to connect with more of our business community. If you would like to volunteer with JARRING GRACE, please contact Melinda, melmorehajek@gmail.com or call 810 845-2089.

> It's the easiest thing to do...giving away candy, affirming and connecting with our neighbors.



MORE...Getting to know your Staff" This month...Angela Campbell & Gary Brandt



ANGELA CAMPBELL

Director of Christian Education Webmaster Volunteer Youth Leader 💙

WHAT IS ON YOUR BUCKET LIST? #1 is to not "kick it" for a LONG, LONG time. Others are going to Denali National Park, taking the family to Yellowstone and Hawaii.

WHAT ARE YOU MOST THANKFUL FOR?

My life - Eric & Kassidy. I am truly blessed.

WHAT IS YOUR BIGGEST REGRET IN LIFE?

Not going to law school. A gap year was NOT a good idea for me! But, then I wouldn't have the life I have, so maybe it isn't a regret. hmmm

WHAT ARE YOU MOST AFRAID OF?

Heights and spiders, oh.. snakes too!!

HOW DO YOU LIKE TO SPEND YOUR FREE TIME? Crafting of some kind. The list is long. Too long if you ask Eric. WHO IN YOUR LIFE MOST MAKES YOU FEEL A SENSE OF HOME? Eric - without him I don't have a home.

HAVE YOU EVER BROKEN UP WITH A FRIEND, AND WHY? Yes. I refer to her as my "ex-best friend." Why - drama and stupidity on both parts.

WHAT MAKES YOU LAUGH THE MOST?

It is kinda evil, but it brings me to tears everytime. I LOVE honking the horn on someone when they least expect it. Watching them jumps just hits my funny bone. I know, weird.. but true!!

HAVE YOU EVER MADE A DECISION THAT CHANGED YOUR LIFE? Um... yes! Marrying Eric and having Kassidy are the biggest!!

WHAT WAS THE HAPPIEST DAY OF YOUR LIFE? I am blessed to say there are many, and they keep getting

better! 5/10/22 & 11/15/11 are the biggest days

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT YOURSELF? My amazing sense of humor!! lol

WHAT WAS YOUR FIRST JOB?

Running a general store/ice cream parlor in Grindstone City on the weekends. Officially, according to the IRS packing pickles at Aunt Jane's in Croswell.

WHAT IS YOUR RELATIONSHIP LIKE WITH YOUR CO-

WORKERS? They are all amazing!

WHERE DO YOU SEE YOURSELF IN FIVE YEARS?

That is a SCARY thought! Kassidy will be a Junior! Hopefully I am still sane by then. ;-)

DO YOU BELIEVE IN SECOND CHANCES?

Absolutely!! 3rd and 4th chances too...

IF YOU COULD BE ANY ANIMAL, WHAT WOULD YOU BE & WHY? My dog! Talk about spoiled!!!

WHAT WAS THE BIGGEST FAVOR YOU'VE EVER DONE

FOR SOMEONE ELSE? Kept their toddler overnight while they were giving birth to their 2nd child. It was the 1st time the little one had been away from home for the night, and that mom and dad had used a sitter. That was HUGE trust for mom and dad, and I felt honored. IF YOU COULD CHANGE ONE THING ABOUT THE WORLD, WHAT WOULD IT BE?

That people truly treated each other as they expected to be treated. What a difference a little respect and compassion could make!!

WOULD YOU RATHER DRIVE OR BE THE PASSENGER IN A CAR? Depends on who is driving! lol. If it is a long trip, passenger for sure!! I get bored VERY easily! WHAT IS YOUR DREAM VACATION DESTINATION? Alaska cruise and land package! So beautiful! WHAT SUPERPOWER WOULD YOU WANT TO HAVE? The power to have whatever power I wanted when I wanted it! I mean, different powers are needed at a different time.



GARY BRANDT

9 AM Worship Music "Common Grace" Director and all around good guy!

What do you feel most passionate about? CREATIVE TEACHING, COACHING AND PERFORMING.

How do you like to spend your free time? OUTDOORS...WITH JACKIE, OLLIE AND A GUITAR

What would your perfect day be like? STAYING IN TUNE.

What goal do you hope to accomplish in the next few years? **GOOD HEALTH, GOOD PARTNER, GOOD SONG AND A GOOD DOG.**

Who is the most important person in your life? JACKIE D.

What is something people would never guess just by looking at you? **ONCE I WAS YOUNG AND A GOOD ATHLETE**

What makes you laugh the most? A GOOD SOLID JOKE

What was your first job? SELLING SHOES AT FEDERAL'S DEPARTMENT STORE, MAINLY TO OLDER LADIES WHO HAD TO TRY ON AT LEAST FIVE PAIR OF SHOES (AND TAN FOOTIES).

Would you rather drive or be the passenger in a car? DRIVE

Advent and "In lieu of Poinsettias" Donations

We are supporting GBUMC youth with the "Advent" offering (the pink envelope in your box) this year. <u>Our youth will be serving in Appalachia in 2024</u> and your donations will go to help fund their trip. We do this every other year to support our GBUMC family and make a difference in the lives of the impoverished people in Appalachia. You can place the pink envelope in the offering plate at any time.

For "In lieu of Poinsettias" this year we will be supporting <u>United Methodist</u> <u>Community House</u> which has been a staple for both the Grand Rapids area and for the United Women of Faith. Established in 1902 they offer services for children, families, and older adults. The programs offered include early childhood education, youth programs and older adult human services. Their overall mission is to create more equal opportunities for success in a diverse community.

The donation for "In lieu of Poinsettias" needs to be dropped off at the office by December 17. We will not be ordering poinsettias this year but if you make a donation and designate in "memory of" or "honor of" using the form below, it will be included in the Christmas bulletins. Please leave this form with your check or cash donation in the GBUMC office.

Please give generously in this joyful Christmas season. THANK YOU!!

Here's the information we need for your donation:
Memory of (or) Honor of
Given by:
Envelope # Amount given \$



Our next youth mission trip through the Appalachia Service Project (ASP) will be Summer of 2024!! In preparation of this trip we are holding a new fundraiser! On the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall, you will find 100 envelopes. Each envelope has a dollar amount written on it, from \$1 all

SERVICE PROJECT[®] the way up to \$100. If you would like to help fund our trip, please take the envelope of your choice, place that dollar amount in it and turn it into the church office or place it in the offering plate. This fundraiser will run from October 1, 2023 through **December 1, 2023**. If you put cash in the envelope, please make sure to put your name on the envelope so that it will be included on your church giving statement for this year. We will have a drawing and one of our supporters will win dinner at Culver's during one of our Culver's nights!

~Remember that the birthday sign is still available for rent! Just sign up on the calendar in the folder attached to the sign and a member of the ASP team will place the sign in your yard the night before your scheduled date and will return to pick it up the day following. Birthday sign rental is \$50.00.

Thank you for your continued support of our youth and this wonderful mission opportunity.

United Methodist Women/United Women of Faith Join us as we gather on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 10:00am. We look forward to seeing you on

We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, **November 15**



FALL CLEAN-UP! SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12 AT NOON

Bring rakes, leaf blowers, tarps, etc. Everyone is welcome to help and all help is appreciated!! Many hands make light work!

Thankful for our Staff

We are so blessed (and lucky) to have such an outstanding staff! They remain dedicated to our congregants and ministries month after month. The Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) would like to give you the opportunity to express your appreciation to our paid staff for their selfless efforts on our behalf during the year. SPRC will be collecting our annual LOVE gift for the staff. Donations need to be received by November 26th and marked 'staff appreciation' whether you give by check or electronically. Thank you for your generosity.



East Winds District Conference—Puzzling Through

Saturday, November 4 from 10am to 3pm Here at GBUMC!!

Registration is \$10 which includes lunch served by our Women's Group! Presentations On: General Conference 2024, Conference Programming Staff and Laity Commissioning.

Key Note Speaker: Rev. Dr. Margie Crawford, East Winds District Superintendent Register online at: www.michigan-reg.brtapp.com/EWDistConf2023

An offering will be taken during the conference to benefit:

- Blue Water Free Store
- Looking Glass Community Outreach
- Asbury CDC, which includes the South Flint Soup Kitchen

11/0511/12Hubler/Campbell 11/19Melkus 11/26Lessel



There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board next to the prayer room, or feel free to call or email the office to order flowers for the Sunday of your choice. Flower arrangements are \$15.00 each from Grand Blanc Florist and you may take them home following the 11:00am worship service. Your name and who the arrangement is in honor/memory of will be listed in the Sunday bulletin.

Coffee Hour

Missions 11/05 11/12 The Luttons 11/19 Andrea Mertz 11/26 Finance



11:00am Worship Ushers

1st Sunday Jim Wise, Carol Cerny

2nd Sunday Nancy Bigler, Virginia Sullivan

3rd Sunday Bob & Barb Mills

4th Sunday Gary Bendall, Tom Cerny

COUNTERS

- 11/05 Carol Capell, Ron Blakemore
- 11/12 Jessica Smith, Carol Cerny

11/19 Tom Cerny, Jim Wise

11/26 Sandy Jones, Tom Cerny

Would you like to help? Let the office know! We just need a couple more volunteers to keep everyone at no more than once a month!



Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthday Wishes

- 1st Traci Russell **3**rd Mark Nelson
- 4th Tammy Martin
- **6**th Matt Briscoe,
 - Shirley Crane (95)
- **9**th Ethan Norris
- **10**th Henry Hagenstein, Lisa McGehee
- **11**th Jim Wise
- 12th Thomas Cook, Evyn Holtz, Amanda Jaycox
- **13**th David Sanborn, Shirley Wheeler
- **14**th Brian Rice
- **15**th Kassidy Campbell
- **16**th Nathan Bendall
- **17th** Marjorie Berryman (99)
- 18th Laurie Tritten, Emily Williams 13th Jan & Thomas Pettit
- **19**th Chad Ivan
- **21st** Erica Lyons, Mary Manning

- 24th Carol Capell, Cathy Melkus
- **25**th Jenna Sanborn. Bob Tritten
- **27**th Steven Cottrell
- 29th Wanda Roberts



Anniversary Blessings

- 1st Emily & Douglas Williams
- 2nd Cathy & Jeff Mitchinson (32)
- 18th Angela & Kevin Cook
- 19th Donna & Dick Hubler (63)



9:00am

- Shirley Wheeler 11/05
- Dick Shick 11/12
- Becky Doran 11/19
- RaeAnn Waisanen 11/26
- Contact Tom Cerny with questions or to volunteer! tomcerny1@aol.com

Grand Blanc United Methodist Church **Financial Summary**

General Fund Balance (as of 08-31-23) = \$19,664 Mortgage Fund Balance (as of 08-31-23) = \$4,594

MORTGAGE BALANCE (as of 08-31-23) = \$113,411

- Greeters
- 11:00am
- Viginia Sullivan Carol Cerny
- Nan Rạhn
- Nancy Bigler

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	GIVE THANKS		 10a Prayer Shawl 4p Community Dinner 6:30p Celebration Ringers 	6p Common Grace	 3 10a Men's Coffee 6p Dinner & Comedy Show! 7p Al Anon 	4 9a District Conference (here) 10a O.A.
<i>5</i> 9a Worship	6	7 10a Pastor @	8	9		11
10a Coffee Hour 10a Sunday Sch 10:15a Choir 11a Worship 5p Youth Group	6p Mission Meeting	Panera 10a Prayer Group 10a Yoga 7p Worship & Arts Zoom	10a Prayer Shawl 6:30p Celebration Ringers	 10a Drop-in Bible Study Noon Seasoned Citizens 6p Common Grace 	10a Men's Coffee 7p Al Anon	VETERAN'S DAY 10a O.A. 10a Yoga
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10a Coffee Hour 10a Sunday Sch 10:15a Choir 11a Worship Noon Fall Clean-up! 4p-9p FH in use 5p Youth Group	7p Ad Council via Zoom	Panera 10a Prayer Group 10a Yoga	10a Women's Circles 10a Prayer Shawl 6:30p Celebration Ringers	Bible Study 6p Common Grace 7p Community Thanksgiving	10a Men's Coffee 7p Al Anon	10a O.A. YOUTH GROUP FEED THE BUS! F.H. in Use
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	7p Finance Meeting	6p Trunk or Treat				
26	27	28	29	30	7p Al Anon	
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SEASONED CITIZENS

Thursday, November 9

Shauna Weil will share the history of the Weil Family Farm in Goodrich, Michigan. Discover how farming has evolved over the years and hear interesting personal observations from a local farming family.

Please join us at **noon** for coffee and conversation; potluck starts at 12:30 and program begins around 1pm in Fellowship Hall. See you there!

FROM YOUR MISSION TEAM:

Harvest Gathering for FISH of Grand Blanc (Please bring donated items to the church by Sunday, November 19)



Items needed to stock the FISH pantry: Meal in a Box (Hamburger/Tuna/Chicken Helper, Mac & Cheese, Scalloped Potatoes, Flavored Potatoes) Meal in a can (Ravioli, Spaghettios, Chunky/Progresso Soups, Chicken Noodle Soup*) Cereal, Peanut Butter, Chicken or tuna in can or pouch, stuffing mix, saltine crackers, corn muffin mix, jello. Toilet paper & Kleenex *Chicken Noodle Soup is especially needed

Giving Tree coming soon....

Signup Genius.com will be set up in November so you will be able to select Christmas gifts for the following charities:



FISH - Underwear and Socks for boys and girls

Ennis Center for Children (in Flint) - Hygiene products and Diapers

Medilodge Nursing Home - Personal items for residents without family

UM Children's Village - Gift Cards (will let you know what types)

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Cathy Mitchinson, Office Administrator Angela Campbell, Director of Christian Education and Webmaster Gary Brandt, 9:00 Music Director/Director of Common Grace Andrew Cramer, Music Director for Traditional Worship Nancy Petrie, Bell Choir Director Adrianna White, Nursery Attendant



Rev. Brian West, Pastor



TOGETHER we're raising up gifted Christian leaders United Methodist STUDENT DAY www.umcgiving.org/umsd On Sunday, November 26th there will be a special offering taken for United Methodist Student Day. Your support helps United Methodist students who don't have the resources to attend a school of their choice with Gift of Hope college scholarships. Envelopes will be provided for your convenience.

This offering helps provide over 70 scholarships available for United Methodist students to further their education and enrich the life of the Church. The fund is administered by the <u>General Board of Higher Education and Ministry</u>. When you support United Methodist Student Day your gift enriches ministry and connects students to their faith and your gift transforms lives through education.

Thank you for your generosity!

