

UPCOMING EVENTS

Poinsettias: We thank everyone who bought a flower to beautify our church. A dedication list is on the back cover of your bulletin.

UCC "Christmas Fund": Today is the official day of offering for the UCC's "Christmas Fund" for the Veterans of the Cross and the Emergency Fund. The theme for 2015 is *Love Shines Through*. Your gift will provide much-needed support to retired clergy and other UCC employees whose low-income annuities make it difficult to make ends meet. Participate in God's promise of renewal by enabling this ministry of compassion and care. Thank you!

Christmas Eve Service -Thursday night: Our traditional candlelight Christmas Eve Service is on Thursday, Dec. 24 at 7 pm. It promises to be a solemn, yet joyful celebration of the birth of the Christ child. Join us, if you can, as we come together to sing hymns of praise and hear special music, including a solo by Sue Kren. At the conclusion, "Silent Night" will be played as each person in attendance bears a lighted candle then silently exits.

After-Christmas Service: On Sunday, December 27, in place of our regular worship we will gather in the comfort of the Mayflower Room in front of the fireplace for an informal service led by Brian Sampson at 10 am. "Friends and Family" is the theme this year, so we encourage everyone to bring a friend or family member to this 4th annual gathering in which we reflect on the "reason for the season" and recall our favorite memories of Christmas. Music will be performed by a guest soloist and instrumentalist. Don't miss this truly special event!

Altar Flowers Chart for 2016: A new Altar Flowers sign-up for the nearly-here New Year will be posted soon on the bulletin board in the back of the sanctuary. We hope you'll consider a Sunday on which to dedicate flowers to a dear loved one in 2016.

Book Club: The Book Club is currently reading *Me Before You*, by Jojo Moyes. There are copies in the blue bag in the office for checkout. The next meeting is Monday, January 25th, at 7pm.



The flowers at the altar today
are the poinsettias from the congregation.

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December 20, 2015 PRAYER LIST

Bernice Hartling
Shirley Fedraw
Bunny Hoganson
Geri Sampson
Suzanne Van Ranst
Dotty Klein
R. Ferguson Family

Gordon Grozdanoff
Arline Prois
Pauline Gourlay
Larry Jabtecki
Barbara Allen
James Shippee
Family of David MacKenzie



Medical Concerns
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Medical Concerns
Healing, spiritual
guidance
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Bereavement

SERVING TODAY

Minister:
Music Director:
Liturgist:
Ushers:
Greeter:
Fellowship:

Rev. William Kren
Brian Sampson
Rufus Beardsley
Jim Haling & Pete Stacho
Ian Haas
John Peters & Teresa Curless

Please join us for coffee,
refreshments, and fellowship in the Mayflower Room
immediately following the worship service.



