



Shepherd's Voice November 2020

Praise God! Outdoor Worship is HERE!

We are excited to announce that we began worshipping outdoors on November 1, 2020 at our usual 10:30 time and will continue as circumstances permit.

We ask that if you choose to join us you will review the covenant to sign and return or bring with you. We also ask that everyone who is able please bring your own chair. We will have chairs available if needed, but everything we use from the church will have to be sanitized each week as they are returned to storage.

If you are not yet comfortable with the in-person option we will continue to offer the on-line worship as well as the mailers for our households that have not provided an email address.

If you plan to attend, please make sure to self-evaluate before-hand.

Make sure you are healthy, (if not then please stay home.)

No fever, cough, chills or nausea.

Have not been exposed to anyone who is sick recently

We will be doing temperature checks.

Have not attended any large gatherings of 50 or more in the last 2 weeks

Able to wear a mask. **(REQUIRED!)** If you don't have one we will have some available.

Bring a chair if able. Preferably something lightweight ;-)

We look forward to seeing you and pray that if we all make wise decisions we can all stay safe and healthy.

Advent Windows:

We are looking for people to decorate windows in the education building for Advent. The display will be lit during December and will be part of our outdoor Christmas Eve celebration. Please contact the office if you would like to sign up.





November Church "Drop Off" Donation Drive

When: Saturday, **November 28**, 2020

Time: Drop off from **8AM to 10AM** Masks & Social Distancing Required!

Place: Church South parking lot

The Covid 19 situation has made us change from a social rummage sale to a donation drop off drive. Donations will go from the car into bins. Money earned is by pounds of acceptable items. This means shelf ready – clean, serviceable, no repair needed!

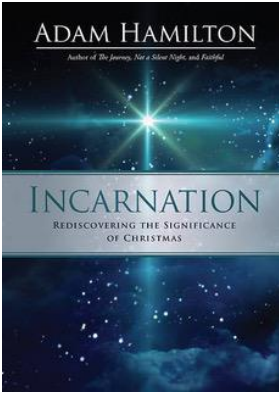
Goodwill will **not** take:

- any item unable to be lifted safely by one person (new, temporary rule)
- Large furniture or items larger than 3' x3' (new temporary rule)
- TV sets (unless working flatscreen)
- Plush toys
- Automotive, flammable, hazardous, house painting, or roofing materials
- No torn, stained, unwashed, pet hair covered, clothing or linens
- No used underwear or socks

Your items can be dropped off before Saturday.
Please call Suzanne at 602-864-1082.

Fun Fridays: November 6th – Virtual Pot-Luck on Zoom 5:30. To attend call (602)753-0140 and enter Meeting ID: **916 6208 5500** or click <https://umcom.zoom.us/j/91662085500>

21 Day Race Challenge – Our small group had some great conversations. Our conclusion: "Love Your Neighbor!" Materials remain active on our website for your spiritual growth. Pastor Janet would love to talk with you if you would like to discuss what you've learned.



New Advent Study Class

Believe it or not, it is time to start thinking about Advent.

Adam Hamilton's Incarnation. Meeting on Zoom. Five weeks on Monday evenings at 6:30 beginning November 23rd. Let us know if you need one or order your own. We have one copy available for \$13.50 each.

Click here to see the [Video Promo](#).

The book can be ordered from Cokesbury at [Incarnation-1-2](#).

REMINDER

Pastor Janet has virtual office hours on Tuesday Mornings from 10:00-Noon. She will open a Zoom Meeting as she works. If you would like to "stop by" please join the Zoom Meeting by clicking on the [Office Hours Link](#)

Or Dial [\(602\)753-0140](#) and [enter](#)

Meeting ID: 935 8552 7291

Passcode: 3039

Charge Conference!

We will be having Church Charge Conference on November 8th at 3 pm using zoom. You are welcome to attend Please Contact the office for the zoom information. You can attend by phone.

!*! HELP !*!

We need a Volunteer to take notes/minutes for our board meetings and Charge/Church Conference. This position has historically been filled by Suzanne, but as the head of our board she REALLY needs someone who is gifted in note taking to help out.

We also need a **Stewardship Coordinator** to assist our finance chair, with organizing fundraising efforts. If you are blessed with the gift of gab and want to help keep Shepherd Of the Valley around for the long haul. We need you! Please contact Pastor Janet or the office if you can help with either position.

(602)942-9288 or sov@sovumc.phxcoxmail.com

Zoom Zoom! Zoom is the new normal. We have found this to be a highly effective way to safely get groups of people together. We will offer a Zoom option for live worship this Sunday. We will also use it for meetings such as Charge Conference, Bible Study and Fun Fridays. If you need help getting Zoom set up on your computer or smart phone, please call the pastor or the office.

November 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Outdoor/Zoom-live Worship 10:30 am Worship On-Line Any Time	zoom worship recording available online	10 am - noon Pastor virtual office hours	1:30 pm - Prayer Group, zoom	Fun Fridays Virtual Pot-Luck on Zoom 5:30 pm.			
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<u>Church Conf. 3:00 pm on zoom</u>							
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UMOM Adopt-A-Family Holiday Stocking Drive

Families can be adopted by individuals and organizations who will donate a separate stocking for each child in the family, filled with small toys and treats. All stockings for the adopted family should be placed into one labeled bag for delivery. Go to UMOM.org/stockings to sign up for a family to adopt, or, to make a donation towards gift cards.

What is in the Holiday Stockings?

Each stocking should contain 3-5 age-appropriate small gifts and treats. A list of suggested items for each age group is on the website. You can also donate a \$25 gift card to Target or Walmart per stocking so that parents can purchase gifts for their child or the family.

Why also purchase gift Cards?

The gift cards will be provided to parents at UMOM so they can buy the presents for their children that have been requested all year. This also makes it possible for the parents have the joy of purchasing their own holiday gifts for their children.

The stockings can be dropped off at the Church office, deadline 12/10/20, for delivery to the UMOM shelter on December 11th.

UMOM Coat Drive

Hard to believe, but colder weather is coming to the Valley! The shelter will be in need of all sizes, child and adult, of gently worn or new coats. If you have new or washed coats needing a new home, please drop them off at the church office.



Anniversaries

Jack & Murrie Schraven	2	Ken & Beth Haw	17
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Birthdays

Cyril Bratt	5	Jack Schraven	10
Mark Patarozzi	16	Darvin Jenner	22
Sylvin Lange	26	Emmalyn Grace Ann Lange	27
Mark Seiler	29		

IS YOUR NAME MISSING?

**We'd Love to recognize YOU on your special day!
Submit Your Birthday Date or Anniversary to the office**

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