



The Ambassador November

A Word from Pastor Dana

HITTING THE RESET BUTTON IN 2022

Since March, 2020 our lives have been turned upside-down by the pandemic. Every aspect of our lives has been impacted – including our church. Yet, Pleasant Grove has adapted and found ways to stay connected and faithful as viral surges have come and gone.

Highlights for 2021 include:

- *Worshipping both in-person and online every Sunday in 2021!
- *Averaging over 100 weekly views for online worship!
- *Newly renovated Fellowship Hall and kitchen!
- *Bible studies and youth group starting back!
- *Over \$10,000 given online to support our church!

Now, it's a new year, and we're hitting the reset button in 2022. Our plans include:

WELCOMING: Nobody walks through our doors without a warm welcome! We're hitting the reset button in 2022 by completing our Welcome Center project, restarting coffee and snacks before worship, and offering first-time guests a Pleasant Grove mug filled with goodies. We're also improving our online welcome by making improvements in our digital media.

WORSHIPPING: Worship is essential in staying connected to God and each other. In 2022, we're hitting the reset button by encouraging people to return to in-person worship, while also upgrading our equipment and content to enhance the online worship experience for those unable to come.

NURTURING: We grow in Christ by praying, caring, learning and fellowshiping together. Our women's Bible study, UMW, Loving Hands and PrayerLine have continued throughout the pandemic. For 2022, we're hitting the reset button with a new younger adult dinner group, additional seasonal study groups and fellowship gatherings in our newly renovated Fellowship Hall. Don't forget our 150th Anniversary Celebration coming in May 1, 2022!

REACHING OUT: We faithfully support the missions and ministries of the United Methodist Church and local missions through our generous financial and in-kind giving. In 2022, we are hitting the reset button by getting more involved in local outreach projects and opening our doors further to the community.

Our total budget for 2022 is \$166,109, providing the staff, facilities, equipment and supplies that support our many ministries. We ask for your prayers, presence, and giving as we hit the reset button in 2022.

May God bless you and our church in the new year.
Pastor Dana

Prayer Shawl Ministry

We will get back to meeting the second and fourth Mondays in January. See you then.



Announcements

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Our first Church Council meeting of the new year will be **Sunday, January 23rd at 5:00 p.m.** in the Club House. Council members include: Chris Bannon, Mary Cheatham, David Martin, Steve Schimweg, Jane Martin, Paul Cheatham, Kim Fannin, Linda Walraven, Jennifer Wisniewski, Angela Schimweg, Diane Gilbert, Lindsey Schimweg, Allison Ellis.

THANK YOU

Thank you for the kind and generous gifts for my birthday and Christmas. I appreciate the gifts and goodies that have brought me joy and added a few holiday pounds! Pastor Dana



United Methodist Women

The UMW will meet January 17th at 12 pm in the Club House. The New Officers will be installed by Pastor Dana. Officers are as follows:

President: Linda Walraven

Co-President: Diane Gilbert

Secretary: Mary Cheatham and Barbara McNutt

Treasurer: Amy Faulkenberry

Join us as we plan for the coming year.

PGUMC Music Notes

Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord!

Ephesians 5:19

It has been quite a year for music at PGUMC. But we have been triumphant in Jesus through it all. Linda was promoted to Heaven and must be playing music on a piano of gold. I miss her continually. And I miss her music support continually. But, I am so glad to have William stepping in to play the piano for us. He is doing a great job and growing every week. We gave him a big bite to chew on with the Christmas concert. He came through with flying colors. I'm very proud of him. I think everyone loved the Chancel Choir Christmas concert. I heard many wonderful comments on it. The choir loved it too. We hadn't had the opportunity do such a performance in a long time. I want to thank all the choir for singing so beautifully. I loved it!

I hope everyone has had a great Christmas and has a wonderful New Year. We will see what Jesus has in store for us this coming year. We are totally reliant on His guidance and anointing.

God bless all of you!

January 2022

Birthdays

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5 <i>Pat Geld</i> 	6	7	8
9	10 <i>Ruth Holbrook</i> 	11	12	13	14 <i>Meredith Martin</i> <i>Jennifer Wisniewski</i> 	15 <i>Muriel Jackson</i> <i>Wesley Walraven</i> 
16	17 <i>Kade Schimweg</i> 	18	19	20	21 	22 <i>Janie Holbrook</i> 
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

January

Worship & Activities

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
						1 9-1– Sewing
2 9:45-Choir 10:30-Worship 	3	4 10-Bible Study 	5 7:00 	6 Quilting 	7	8
9 9:45 choir 10:30-Worship 	10 Prayer Shawl Ministry 	11 10-Bible Study Cub Scouts	12 7:00 	13 Quilting  6:30-9 Sewing	14	15
16 9:45—Choir  10:30-Worship	17 12- UMW	18 10-Bible Study	19 7:00 	20	21	22
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