



Adrian First
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Sharing God's Love
since 1830.

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Welcome All Love Deeply Serve Boldly

The Next Two Weeks at a Glance

Sunday, October 5th

8:15 am Wesley Chorale Meet
9:30 am Worship
12:00 pm Kaiden Kidney Birthday Party

Monday, October 6th

8:30 am Numbers Meeting
9:00 am Building Meeting

Tuesday, October 7th

10:00 am Quilters
6:30 pm Chiaroscuro Rehearsal

Wednesday, October 8th

9:30 am Alpha Omega
1:00 pm Staff Meeting
5:30 pm WOW Dinner
6:45 pm Wesley Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm LCC Rehearsal

Thursday, October 9th

8:00 am Health Check
1:00 pm Little Dresses



Saturday, October 11th

6:00 pm Bixby Reunion

Sunday, October 12th

8:15 am Wesley Chorale Meet
9:30 am Worship
2:00 pm Blessings of the Animals
3:00 pm All Church Game Night

Monday, October 13th

1:00 pm STW

Tuesday, October 14th

10:00 am Quilters
6:30 pm Chiaroscuro Rehearsal

Wednesday, October 15th

12:00 pm STW & Hot Meals
1:00 pm Staff Meeting
5:30 pm WOW Dinner
6:45 pm Wesley Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm LCC Rehearsal

A Note from Pastor Alice:

Greetings, friends in Christ,

As we continue to move into the program year, there are many ministry options for you to participate in.. One of the challenges church leaders have is getting enough of your time to help you receive that information and decide what is for you. We try our best!

One of the weekly events that is created for you is our weekly Wednesday dinners. So much time and planning and preparation goes into this meal so everyone can have a time of low-cost, high nutrition meal with the fellowship of Christian friends. We do it with joyful hearts for you. And we want to remind you it is there for you, that you and your neighbors and friends and families are welcome.

To that end, we have created a survey to better understand your desires for the Wednesday dinners.

Please take a moment and complete the survey by clicking on the link below.

<https://tinyurl.com/WOWdin>

Warmly,
Alice



Giving Thanks

As we continue to provide for our feeding ministry, we have further support from the memorial of those who gave their hearts and fellowship to the care of others. The Kitchen in Fellowship Hall has been able to receive a new mixer and standing table thank to the giving spirit and memory of Rhea and Bruce Stephens. Rhea spent much of her time in our kitchen, providing for those who were hungry, and her memory continues to give to others!

Events

Heritage Park Hayride: October 18th, 6-8pm. With the return of fall, Farmington Hills becomes hay ride central for a great evening of Hayrides, Cider, S'mores and mores! See Ms. Lainey for more details!

Downtown Adrian Trick or Treat: October 25th, 4:30pm-6:30pm. Head Downtown and see all the candy being handed out to all the little ghouls and goblins. Dress up, bring your candy bags, and enjoy a safe and fun Halloween evening in the heart of downtown!

Halloween Parent's Night Out: October 25th, 5-8pm, in Fellowship Hall.

Trick or Trunk: October 26th 5:00-6:00pm. We will have a trunk sign up at the Welcome Desk. Save the Date!



Adult Bible Study: Join us for a discussion-based class that uses the official UMC quarterly materials. Reach out to Christy Mesaros-Winckles or Carl Harsh for more information.

**COME MEET PEOPLE
AND ENJOY FOOD, TOPICS, AND FUN**

**ON THE MENU FOR
OCTOBER:
"HELPFUL GADGETS
AND TECH"**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2025
1:00-2:00PM
ADRIAN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
1245 W. MAPLE AVE., ADRIAN, MI 49221**

**CALL AHEAD TO RESERVE A SEAT:
AMANDA MARSH @ WELLWISE SERVICES 517-592-1974**

**FREE
+ LOW COST
HEALTH SCREENINGS**

Presented by ProMedica Monroe Regional Hospital, Charles & Virginia Hickman Hospital, and United Way of Monroe/Lenawee Counties

**Thursday, October 9, 2025
8 a.m.-12 noon**
First United Methodist Church
1245 W. Maple Avenue
Adrian, MI 49221

**Thursday, October 23, 2025
8 a.m.-12 noon**
Monroe Knights of Columbus Hall
202 W. Front Street
Monroe, MI 48161

**Thursday, November 6, 2025
8 a.m.-12 noon**
Carleton United Methodist Church
11435 Grafton Road
Carleton, MI 48117

Sponsored by

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- ProMedica Monroe Regional Hospital
- ProMedica Charles & Virginia Hickman Hospital
- Family Medical Center of Michigan
- Michigan Dept. of Health & Human Services
- Lenawee County Health Department
- Monroe County Health Department
- Monroe County Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)

Health FALL 2025

United Way of Monroe/Lenawee Counties

PROMEDICA CHARLES AND VIRGINIA HICKMAN HOSPITAL

PROMEDICA MONROE REGIONAL HOSPITAL

We DO NOT Accept: HSA, FSA or HRA cards.

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■ Vitamin D Screen	\$10
■ Hemoglobin A1C	\$15

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- Blood Pressure Check
- Nutrition Counseling
- Medication Counseling

For accurate results, DO NOT eat or drink for 12 hours before your test. Medications MAY be taken with WATER.
ALL TESTING IS SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY.

**Call 734.242.1331 or 517.264.6821
www.UnitedWayMLC.org**

DRUG Take-Back Event

Safe disposal of unused or expired medications.
DROP-OFF IS ANONYMOUS!
ANY IDENTIFYING PATIENT INFORMATION WILL BE DESTROYED.

The following vaccines may be available to adults 19 years of age or older who are uninsured*, or underinsured* and meet certain risk factors:
COVID, flu and pneumonia vaccines will be available for Medicare Part B recipients.
* Adults with vaccines insurance coverage or Medicaid DO NOT qualify for this program.

AFUMC Outreach in Our Community

Our Outreach Team has several activities planned. We would love for more members of the congregation to join us! If you are interested, please either call or text Sandra Harsh at 517-265-9284. These are great opportunities to grow in your faith while serving others.

Adrian Community Preschool is in need of volunteer cooks for breakfast and lunch for this school year. The cooks prepare simple, nutritious meals for the students and then clean up afterwards. It takes about an hour and a half once a month, or more often if you would like. Please contact Cheri Easler at 517-260-2745 or call the school at 517-263-8676 if you are interested.



Cinderella Family Night: Save the date! November 22nd at 2:30pm! Arranged by our Children and Youth Ministry, we have tickets held for the upcoming Crosswell Opera House Production of Cinderella! This family focused event stars Ally Szymanski as the titular princess! Interested in attending? Tickets are \$10 for Adults and \$6 per child. Call/ email the Church Office to reserve tickets for the show as soon as you can! Tickets are limited!

Opportunities to Give

Fishes & Loaves Food Pantry- We are seeking helpers for this new ministry of Adrian First. We need help with food items provided, stocking shelves, greeting clients, helping to bag food for clients. Please let the office know of your interest. We are also seeking donation of a couple of refrigerators. We are also seeking donations of empty Egg Cartons to store fresh farm eggs currently being donated to us at Fishes and Loaves by local farmers. A container with a sign has be set in the Church Office Foyer outside Fellowship Hall for this purpose.

Little Food Pantry- Drop off in the Red Box outside of the nursery/ preschool rooms, or in the office. Take what you need and add as you are able.

St. Mary's Food Pantry- Open:

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

St. Mary's is an emergency food pantry. We appreciate your continued support and generosity, which helps us to purchase fresh produce, bread, milk and any items we can't find at the Foodbank.

Share the Warmth- Donations of items as well as volunteers are always needed. Top needs are disinfectant, toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, printer paper, eggs, whole milk, breakfast bars, coffee, sugar, creamer, non-perishable food items, cereal, bottled paper, frozen meat, Advil/ Tylenol, cold/flu meds, blankets, pillows, twin sheet sheets, and bath towels/ washcloths. Please contact Heather at heather@stwlenawee.org or call 734-625-005.

Prayer Requests & Updates

Please contact the church office with your prayer requests by phone, email or note on your connection card. Prayer requests will be shared with the congregation through the bulletins and Tidings. If the prayer request is private, please note at the time of request. We also invite you to share your joys and celebrations. Just email the church office.

Please know that prayer is our foundation and everything we do is surrounded in prayer.

Current Prayer Concerns:

Dean Killam(Son-In-Law to Jo Wakefield)
Gene Sell (Brother-In-Law to George and Susan Davis), Lorenzo, Sara (friend of Kay Allingham), Latrice, Jayce & Zaniyah McKellar, Christopher Jackson, Jaime (Cheryll Leonard's Niece) Carol Moore, Kelli Bullock, Casey Gray, Rev. David Morton, Tom Tarris, The Grandson of Fred Smith, Lynn Wheelock, (sister-in-law of Marty Schoonover), Rose Boyd (Sister-In-Law of Tom Odell), Ralph Marsai (brother of Carolyn Siler) Yvonne Raleigh, Greg Dumars, Ron Harwick, Pat Dunlap, Shirley and Bill Ehnis, Vicki King, Fred Kruse, Vonda Lemon, John Thurman, and Barb Villarreal.



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TIDINGS

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Ongoing Ministries

HANDICRAFTERS: 6:30 pm 2nd and 4th Mondays

GARDENING : 930am n the Memorial Garden Tuesdays
(weather permitting)

QUILTERS: every Tuesday from 10am-2pm in the Lounge

MEN'S BREAKFAST: 7:00 am first Wednesday of month at Family Kitchen

W.O.W. (Wednesdays of Wonder): 5:30 pm -7:30 pm weekly

PRAYER GATHERING: 10:00 am first Thursdays in Room 3

HANDBELL CHOIR: Every Wednesday at 6:45 pm in Room 13

LITTLE DRESSES: 2nd and 4th Thursdays from 1 - 3 pm

PUB THEOLOGY: 4th Thursday of each month at Aubree's @ 5:30pm.

CHORALE: Every Sunday at 8:15 am in Room 18

Please check the online calendar for all information & current updates.

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The Congregation!

Rev. Alice K Ford, Senior Pastor