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November is a time to remember and give thanks. November 6 is All Saints Sunday, a day to honor those who have influenced our faith journey. Many people are surprised to find out that we talk about saints in the United Methodist Church. Sometimes it can lead to a bit of confusion.

When we think of saints, quite often it brings to mind Christians of great stature, like the apostles or those who died as martyrs. However, our denomination does not elect people into sainthood or have them canonized as saints. The people we do call saints are the ones who exemplify Christ by the way they live or lived their faith. In this sense, *every Christian can be considered a saint*!

In Hebrews 12 we are told to remember that a "great cloud of witnesses" surrounds us, is encouraging us, and cheers us on. On All Saints Day we give thanks for those who have kept the faith from generation to generation and whose impact continues to influence our understanding of Christ's presence in the world today.

Even though we need to remember and pray for our veterans each and every day; Veteran's Day is a day set aside to remember and give thanks for the men and woman who have served and sacrificed for their country. The South Boardman UMC invites you to join them on November 6, at 5 p.m. for a Veterans Banquet at the South Boardman Senior Center. Elwin Hall will be the guest speaker. It is free and open to veterans and those who appreciate what a veteran has done on their behalf.

Thanksgiving is a time to gather with family and friends as we remember and give thanks for all that God has blessed us with. The Sunday after Thanksgiving marks the beginning of Advent, a time to prepare and get ready to celebrate the coming of the Christ child. It is also a time to prepare and get ready for that day when Christ fulfills His promise that He will one day come again.

When it comes to remembering and giving thanks it is my hope and prayer that we continually remember all that God has done for us, give thanks for the opportunity to receive God's love and grace, and know that no matter what we are facing, God is with us.

Blessings in Christ, Pastor John All Saints Sunday to Commemorate: Charles Egeler Kinzie Gallo Clare Ray Duane Messner Nancy Mathney Danielle Fulgham Phil Mayercak Carl "Jim" Goss Pauline Huffman Pat Kniss Janet Morrison Lori Hubbard Steve Hogerheide

Jerry Crim Jane White Tyler Schroder Marianne Smith Marie Voice Georgene Weber Pastor John's Uncle Frank Tim Schaffer Vonnie Everts John Goss Dorothy Renzema-Parker Jerry Endres Clinton Drummond Paul White Mike Galligan

In my father's house are MANY ROOMS; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to PREPARE a PLACE for YOU.



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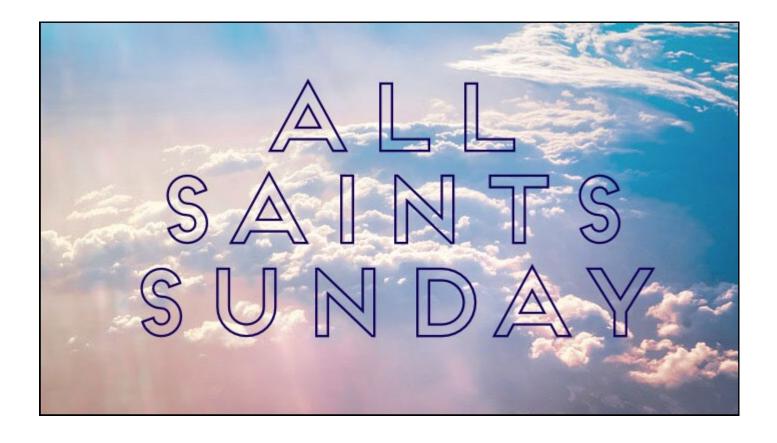
Sun *More info in Newsletter	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 All Saints Day 7pm Unified SPRC Mtg. @ WUMC	2 All Souls' Day 6pm AD Council Info Mtg. w/ Denny Meyer @ WUMC	3	4	5 Set your clocks back! Daylight Savings Time Ends!
6 10:15 Wor- ship Service All Saints Sunday 5pm Swiss Steak Din- ner @ SB	7	8 Election Day! Church Closed	9 3pm All-Faith Svc. @ Samaritas	10	11 Veterans Day	12
13 10:15 Wor- ship Service Potluck No Sunday School	14	15 6pm Methodist Conclusion and Wrap Up Dinner @WUMC	16	17	18	19
20 10:15 Wor- ship Service	21	22	23 3pm All-Faith Svc. @ Samaritas	24 * Happy & Thanksgiving	25	26 RADA For Sale at the Church 10-12pm
27 10:15 Worship Service 1st Sunday of Advent	28	29	30	M Sa	A SCHEDULE onday, 7:30pm oturday, Men On oturday, everyon	



NOVEMBER CELEBRATIONS!

1ST JOYCE BURROWS 8TH RON RIDGE 9TH SAM HUVER 16TH MEGAN HAMILTON 21ST KATHLEEN HULBERT 23RD LAIRD KIEFT 24TH NORA ZELDES 24TH DONN & JERRI HUBBELL'S ANNIV 27TH MELISSA THOMAS 30TH JOHN & SHERRY BOUCHER'S ANNIV







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