

ONGOING EVENTS

WEEKLY

- ★ **Slow Flow Yoga – Cancelled**
- ★ **Walking Group – Wednesdays – Penn–Vassar Park
10 – 11 AM (Weather Permitting) – Sonya Luna**
- ★ **Stories of Trust Study – Thursdays – Conference Room
4:30 PM – Pastor Rachel**
- ★ **Chair Yoga – Cancelled**

MONTHLY

- ★ **Men's Breakfast – Second Monday of the Month
9 AM – Leon's Family Dining**
- ★ **Women's Breakfast – Third Thursday of the Month
9:30 AM – Leon's Family Dining**

FOOD PANTRY

THIRD SATURDAY
OF EVERY MONTH
FROM 9 - 10 AM



DONATION NEEDS:

- * CANNED FRUIT
- * CEREAL
- * PEANUT BUTTER
- * CANNED SOUP

WE SUGGEST PURCHASING TOILETRIES AT DOLLAR TREE WHERE MOST ITEMS ARE \$1.25.
WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

Good Shepherd

United Methodist Church

November 30, 2025



God's Promised Day Can't Wait

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Office Hours — Wednesday & Friday 9 AM - 2 PM

Phones Answered — Monday - Thursday 9 AM - 2 PM

First Sunday of Advent
November 30, 2025 10:30 am

Prelude Dr. Larisa Soboleva

Greeting and Announcements

Lighting the Candle of Hope Samm & David Scannell

Hymn: *Here I Am to Worship See Insert or Screen

***Call to Worship**

One: Hope is gravity for the broken—

All: Pulling us up.

One: Hope is manna in the wilderness

All: When we want to give up.

One: Hope is seeing stars in the city

All: When we forget the sky is there.

One: Hope is the anthem of faith

All: And the reason we're here.

One: So come to this place with your hopes and your fears,

All: For the God of new life is drawing near.

One: Let us worship Holy God.

Hymn: *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus* UMH 196

Prayer for Hope

Gracious God,

You paint a picture of a better world—

A world of peace and joy, of equality and grace.

But we turn our heads and close our eyes,

Afraid that you might want us to help.

**You ask us to be brave, and we are complacent.
You ask us to speak out, but instead we stay quiet.
You ask us to listen, and we assume we are the experts.
You lead with love, and we wait on the sidelines.
Forgive us for always being ten steps behind you.
Forgive us for all the ways we are works in progress.
Fill our hearts with a hope that won't let go.
Gratefully we pray, Amen.**

Scripture (NRSVUE): Isaiah 2:1-5, Psalm 122

Sermon: God's Promised Day Can't Wait

Offertory Dr. Larisa Soboleva

***Doxology** UMH 95

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: *Soon and Very Soon* UMH 707

Dismissal and Blessing

Postlude Dr. Larisa Soboleva

***Please rise in body or spirit.**





A NIGHT of ART & PROTEST: IMMIGRATION

THURS., DEC. 4, 7 PM
Dearborn First UMC • 22124 Garrison St.

DEARBORN FIRST UMC UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Nativity Showcase Assistance

We want to see YOUR nativities for our Showcase on December 13! Please bring in nativities for the display along with a written-out paragraph sharing a brief description and the meaning of each one NO LATER than Sunday, Dec. 7th. Leave boxes in the Lounge clearly labeled with your name. We also need help setting-up on Dec. 12 at 10 am and take-down on Dec. 17 at 11 am. Sign up in the lobby or contact Sonya Luna at sonya@dearbornsumc.org or 313-720-6153. Don't forget to invite your friends and family!



Cass Community Christmas Party

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17
10:30 AM-2:00 PM

CARPPOOL - 9:30 AM FROM THE CHURCH

We need Volunteers, Cakes, Small Bingo Prizes, and Santa Hats. Monetary donations (mark envelope "Cass Christmas") are also helpful for meal supplies. See Nancy Wales or Sign-Up Sheet for questions.

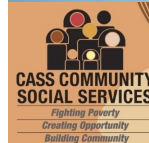


Stories of TRUST

Thursdays - November 6 - December 18
(No meeting on Thanksgiving, Nov. 27)
Choose 4:30 or 6:30 PM
In person and on Zoom
(Contact Pastor Rachel for the link.)

Join Pastor Rachel for a 6-week study of the stories of biblical figures who were willing to take a leap and trust in God through the most difficult moments. Together we'll explore a different story each week through scripture and through the interpretations of these stories by visual artists, writers, and poets including Marc Chagall, Leonardo Da Vinci, Robert Frost, and others.

This will be the last Bible study of 2025!
Please sign up on the sheet in the lobby.



November Engage Mission

Cass Community Social Services offers programs to people living in areas of concentrated poverty in Detroit. Each year 700,000 meals are served, 300 men, women and children are housed, 125 developmentally disabled adults participate in a skill building program, hundreds get medical care through a free clinic with the help of WSU and up to 85 people are employed in their Green Industries program. In addition, Cass is developing a neighborhood of Tiny Homes adjacent to the main Cass Campus.



HOLIDAY GIVING OPPORTUNITY

In support of mental health needs, Good Shepherd will collect and deliver new adult clothing for patients at Beaumont Behavioral Health in Dearborn. Patients often arrive and leave without proper clothing.

Good Shepherd will collect and deliver these new, adult clothing items for men and women:

- Sweatpants (elastic waist, no drawstring)
- Sweatshirts (no hoodies or drawstrings)
- T-shirts
- Underwear
- Socks
- Sports Bras (no wires)

Donation runs through December 31st.

Although any size is welcome, larger sizes are preferable.



Bishop's Advent Offering

This Advent season, we invite you to support the Gardens of Hope campaign through the Bishop's Advent Offering. This campaign supports three important Michigan Conference Engage^{mi} partners: Grace Children's Hospital, HAPI – Haitian Assets for Peace International, and Jeremie Rising. Half of all donations also empower local leaders through a new partner, Grassroots Community Voices Foundation (MUSO). Your gifts will nurture a “healthy field” for lasting change in Haiti.

How you can give

- Place cash gifts in the offering plate. For checks, please make payable to your local church with “Gardens of Hope #3066” in the memo line.
- Give securely online using the PayPal QR Code below.

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This holy season, please join us in planting seeds of hope in Haiti! By supporting this cause, you provide vital resources that empower local farmers, educate children, and enhance healthcare access in a sustainable way.



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