#### CALDWELL UNITED METHODIST Church

# THE CHIMES 2021



### Pastor's Letter

"To offer hope to our community and world through the Good News, and to make disciples of Jesus Christ"

> based on Matthew 28:19

Dear Caldwell Church family and friends, Last Sunday evening, October 24<sup>th</sup>, we gathered with many churches from our area for Charge Conference; thank you to everyone from Caldwell church who turned out; there were about fifty people total. (We had 16). Really good for a cloudy, rainy Sunday evening. Thank you for your leadership and support, as we continue our ministry together.

Charge Conferences aren't like they use to be; hours long, it lasted a little over an hour. Rev, Laura White our D.S. opened with a greeting, and I offered the opening prayer. We observed a hearing of the names of church members, who have entered "The Church Triumphant" in the past year, and a prayer given in their memory. (*Please remember next Sunday Nov.7<sup>th</sup>*. is "All Saints Sunday". We will honor loved-ones, and remember the faithful who have gone before us, now in the Lord's Presence.) It is a solemn time, full of meaning with heart-felt joys and sorro



*Lord's Presence.)* It is a solemn time, full of meaning with heart-felt joys and sorrows. We will observe Holy Communion, remembering Jesus' promise to us, as we worship together.

As October draws to a close; we the Church continue to focus on faith.(This is repeat) We speak of faith in several ways. Faith as a noun can identify us as Christian, Jew, Muslim, a Buddhist, or even atheist. As Christians we use faith as a verb to help us live out our faith in words, thought and deeds (actions). For most of us, faith is something we practice or avoid; it like an athlete in training, helping to strengthen us to "run the race", or too be a player in the game. Faith is a gift from God. We can grow in faith, can have great faith, and we can always need more faith. Sometimes we forget just how important faith is. Christians at times get slack in faith development, neglecting the spiritual needs which are necessary for our salvation. Faith in Jesus our Lord and Savior is vital; for *"without faith it is impossible to please God"* -Hebrews 11:6 reminds us. [Our Wednesday evening study is focusing on faith. Come and join us.]

The Church throughout history has had many struggles, and has had many reforms. October is Reformation month, when we reflect upon Martin Luther and other Reformers, who reexamined the need for faith for us to be saved. This Sunday Oct 31<sup>st</sup>. is Halloween and Reformation Sunday on the Christian calendar, marking the day in 1517, when Martin Luther posted his 95 Thesis on the cathedral door in Wittenberg, Germany. Luther was attempting "reform" the Church, not to create a new church, but to transform into what scripture desires it to be; a people of faith. This action brought about many changes in the Church; not all positive,

Humans try to reform in many ways: by making laws, some people revolt, or riot, and "protests" which many times caused trouble and discontentment. *I believe that God trans-forms us through faith in Jesus Christ* transformation is a spiritual act in which we grow and mature as disciples (followers) of Jesus.

Faithfully yours in Jesus Christ

Blessings! Rev. Jeff Coggins, your Pastor



## Sunday October 31, 2021

 Sunday Services are on our facebook page: Caldwell UMC Ohio.
This Sunday's 8:00 am sermon is based on Acts 15:6-11 *"When Faith is Revealed"* Old Testament Lesson from Psalm 98:1-6









#### Faith Is the Key

When Jesus heard this, he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd following him, he said, "I tell you, I have not found such great faith even in Israel." Then the men who had been sent returned to the house and found the servant well. Luke 7:9-10 (NIV) The puzzle is based on Luke 7:1-10



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All Saints' Day also called All Hallows, Hallowmas, and Feast of All Saints is held on November 1 each year and celebrates and honors all the Saints especially the Saints who are not honored on other days of the year. The day is preceded by All Saints' Eve (Halloween) the night before and then the day after followed by All Souls Day. The 3 days together represent the Allhallowtide triduum (religious observance lasting 3 days) as a time to reflect and remember the saints, martyrs, and the faithful who have died. This church celebrates on the first Sunday following Nov 1 (Nov 7 this year).







**Reformation Day** is a Protestant Christian religious holiday celebrated on 31 October, alongside All Hallows' Eve (Halloween) during the triduum of <u>Allhallowtide</u>, in remembrance of the onset of the Reformation.

31 October 1517 was the day German monk Martin Luther nailed his <u>Ninety-five Theses</u> on the door of the All Saints' Church in Wittenberg,

Martin Luther was a German professor of theology, priest, author, composer, former Augustinian monk, and is best known as a seminal figure in the Protestant Reformation and as the namesake of Lutheranism.

Many opposed the movements of the church, but Martin Luther brought it to light and sought reformation within the church. His theses gave grounds for people to question the church; it was a time of large religious and social change.

Though Luther intended them to be discussion points, the 95 *Theses* laid out a devastating critique of the indulgences being handed out by the Pope and the Catholic Church. The church used indulgences to reduce the punishment one had to go through for sins to encourage confessions. The Catholic Church issued them to grant the pardon of sins. The church previously sold them to worshippers, depending on their social class, and used the proceeds for charitable activities and renovation of church facilities.

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Halloween is a holiday celebrated each year on October 31, and Halloween 2021 will occur on Sunday, October 31. The tradition originated with the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain, when people would light bonfires and wear costumes to ward off ghosts.

"Halloween" first appeared in Christian writings around 1745. It is a shortened form of the term Hallows evening, referring to the vigils and other activities the night before All Hallows Day (also called All Saints Day).



During the church service on *Sunday Nov 7*, when we will be celebrating All Saints Day, we will again be running the power point slides of family and friends who have passed in the last year. If there is someone you would like to honor, please get their picture and birth and death year to the office secretary as soon as possible.

Also, on *Nov. 14* we will be saluting all veterans in honor of Veterans Day. Many are already on the slides. If there is someone you want to add please get their picture (preferably in uniform) service branch, dates of service to the office.

> Thank you Thank You VETERANS

## Because you gave...



|                               | September |                     | Y-T-D      | Y-T-D               |
|-------------------------------|-----------|---------------------|------------|---------------------|
|                               | Income    | <u>Expenditures</u> | Income     | <u>Expenditures</u> |
| General Fund:                 | 11,662.65 | 12,212.93           | 105,410.00 | 122,237.70          |
| Interest from CDs, etc.       | 32.04     |                     | 203.12     | 0.00                |
| Total GF                      | 11,694.69 | 12,212.93           | 105,613.12 | 122,237.70          |
| Building Fund                 | 0.00      | 0.00                | 722.42     | 0.00                |
| Elevator Fund                 | 1,675.00  | 560.00              | 13,487.38  | 643.47              |
| Local Benevolent Giving       | 610.93    | 330.00              | 3,539.54   | 2,880.00            |
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| Joash BF Savings              | 0.00      | 0.00                | 2,521.00   | 0.00                |
| Memorial Fund                 | 0.00      | 0.00                | 950.00     | 107.24              |
| Special Offerings             | 1,215.00  | 1,068.12            | 10,182.86  | 4,588.21            |
| Stained Glass Windows         | 61.00     | 0.00                | 1,106.50   | 0.00                |
| Youth Fund Giving             | 0.00      | 0.00                | 0.00       | 0.00                |
| <b>Total Designated Funds</b> | 3,561.93  | 1,958.12            | 32,509.70  | 9,348.24            |
| Totals                        | 15,256.62 | 14,171.05           | 138,122.82 | 131,585.94          |



November 1, 1993 - The European Union came into existence as a result of the Maastricht Treaty.

November 1, 1995 - The first all-race local government elections took place in South Africa, marking the end of the apartheid system.

November 4, 1922 - King Tut's tomb was discovered at Luxor, Egypt, by British archaeologist Howard Carter

November 4, 1842 - Abraham Lincoln married Mary Todd in Springfield, Illinois.

November 5, 1935—Parker Brothers introduced the world to the Monopoly game

**November 9, 1989** - The Berlin Wall was opened up after standing for 28 years as a symbol of the Cold War. The 27.9 mile wall had been constructed in 1961.

**November 14, 1889** - Newspaper reporter Nellie Bly set out from New York to beat the record of Jules Verne's imaginary hero Phileas Fogg, who traveled around the world in 80 days. Bly (pen name for Elizabeth Cochrane) returned 72 days later to a tumultuous welcome in New York.

November 19, 1863—Abraham Lincoln gave his Gettysburg Address

November 22, 1963—John F. Kennedy was assassinated

**November 19, 1978** - The Reverend Jim Jones led over 900 of his followers to their death in a mass suicide, the largest in history, at Jonestown, Guyana.

**November 29, 1864** - U.S. Army troops led by Colonel John Chivington attacked and killed at least 400 Cheyenne and Arapahoe Indians at Sand Creek, Colorado after they had already surrendered.

Know Our Christians Symbols

The specific colors used in church vestments have meaning

## The Christian Year



The United Methodist Church follows a "liturgical calendar" which divides the year into various seasons. The Church year begins in December with the joyous anticipatory season of Advent just as the secular calendar year is winding down, and ends with Kingdomtide, also known as "Ordinary Time" that stretches though summer and fall.

**Purple**, representing both royalty and penitence, is traditionally used during Advent and Lent.

White and gold are used at Christmas and Easter to symbolize joy and festivities.

**Green** represents growth and is used during Ordinary Time (the season after Epiphany and the season after Pentecost.)

**Red** symbolizes the color of fire to represent the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost and times when the work of the Holy Spirit is emphasized. During Holy Week it represents the blood of Christ. Red is also used for ordinations, church anniversaries and civil observances such as Memorial Day and Thanksgiving.

#### **Christmas Shoe Boxes**

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The church is again filling shoe boxes for the Samaritan's Purse.

Pick them up on the side pew of the church beginning Oct. 31.

Full instruction sheet with each box.

They must be returned by Nov. 21.

Be sure to include \$9 with each box for postage







- Turkey wasn't on the menu at the first Thanksgiving. Venison, duck, goose, oysters, lobster, eel, and fish were likely served, alongside pump-kins and cranberries (but not pumpkin pie or cranberry sauce!).
- The average number of calories consumed on Thanksgiving is 4,500. Enjoy the Feast!

## No-Shave November – November 2021

No-Shave November seeks to grow awareness — not to mention hair-ness — about cancer. The organizers want people to embrace their hair, which many cancer patients lose, and to let it grow — as the holiday's originators say — "wild and free." No-Shave November is a fun and creative way to remind folks that



many of our friends and neighbors struggle every day with the disease and with efforts to fight it. Moreover, organizers also encourage participants to donate the money they'd normally spend on hair care to support cancer research and educational organizations.

## National Native American Heritage Month – November 2021

This month gives Americans dedicated time to consider the important contributions of Indigenous Peoples, honor their histories, and advocate for solutions to the struggles they still face today. Native Americans have been confronted with discrimination and hardship since European settlers first stepped foot on this land, and have remained familiar with injustice in many ways since

While most Native Americans were able to vote starting in 1924, many laws at the state-level prevented voting rights for all. It took over 40 years following 1924 for all 50 states to allow Native Americans to vote.

There are currently 574 different federally recognized Native American tribes (approximately 229 are located in Alaska, and the rest are located in 35 other states).

Native American tribes have what is called tribal sovereignty, which means that they have the right to



govern themselves—similar to a state government. But 78% of Native Americans live outside of tribal areas.

Native Peoples, even with their tribal sovereignty, have exactly the same obligations for military service as all other United States citizens.



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#### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

Those sick and in the hospital, and our shut-ins; for those we love who are in care centers, assisted living and nursing care. We pray for our Nation, to bring healing, to help us find peace and direction for the days ahead. We pray for Pastor's, Church leaders and congregations as we shine the Light of Christ and the

Love of God to a world in need. We pray for our school students, teachers and staff.

We remember the inmates and staff at NCI. We pray for special unspoken requests,

and for each other. In Jesus Name we pray. Amen



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