

Our Vision—A beacon of God’s love radiating faith, hope and joy... Everywhere!

Flowers on the Altar are given by Don and Melinda Goodick in memory of Nancy Goodick. Her birthday was in January.

Dig Deep

On Sunday January 8th we brought forward our gifts for Dig Deep. If you were not able to be at church, it is not too late to support our advent project. Dig Deep is a human rights nonprofit organization dedicated to ensuring that every American has clean, running water forever. We invite you to place your donation in the offering plate over the next several weeks or mail it to the church office. Please write “Dig Deep” in the memo of the check. Thank you for your generous giving.

Super Bowl Sub Sale!

**TYPES OF SUBS - Italian, Turkey, Falafel & Vegetarian
Gluten Free rolls are available too**

Each sub comes with chips & soda

The Senior Youth group will be taking orders on the following Sundays:

January 22nd & 29th, February 5th

**Place your orders in the basket located in the hallway
or e-mail your order to: aumc-education@verizon.net**

Pick-up: February 12th (after each service)

DONATIONS WILL GO TOWARDS YOUTH ATTENDING YOUTH 2023

Pledge Envelopes

Pledge envelopes have not yet arrived. We are hoping for the end of January!

Until then you can either put your check or cash in a pew envelope with your name and your present envelope number or just drop your check in the offering plate. Or you can use any leftover 2022 envelopes until they come in.

Rev. Dr. Hope Luckie – Today January 22nd

Today January 22nd, Rev. Dr. Hope Luckie will be preaching during both services in place of Pastor Bob who will be away. She is the Director of Clergy Family Services Southwest for the Preacher's Aid Society. In the article below, she introduces herself.

Please join me in welcoming her on the 22nd. Her sermon title will be "We Get By with a Little Help from Our Friends," based on Mark 2:1-12.

REV. DR. HOPE LUCKIE

**DIRECTOR OF CLERGY FAMILY SERVICES SOUTHWEST/
DIRECTOR OF PASTORAL CARE**

I am passionate about walking with people on their journeys of faith and helping others notice God is present and active in their lives. I am certified as a spiritual director, supervisor, mentor, and interim minister. I hold a doctorate in ecumenism and interreligious dialogue and a Master of Divinity focusing on spiritual formation and direction. An ordained elder in the United Methodist Church, I have served a variety of creative ministries. With the New England Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, I lead in a variety of ways. I am co-chair of the Open Spirit Task Force, an active member on the Commission of the Status and Role of Women (COSROW), a team member of the Ministry Exploration Summit and a Dismantling Racism and Mentor trainer for the Annual Conference.



Reminder to schedule your appointment for the Blood Drive 2/25

Please sign up if you can to help this important cause. There continues to be a national shortage!

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.RedCrossBlood.org) and search under **February 25th** to schedule an appointment.

For more information call or email Cate Lehan or Robin Dye or the church office.

Single Ladies Dining Out

Single Ladies will be dining out for lunch on January 28th at the 110 Grille at 116 Chelmsford Street, Chelmsford MA 01824. Please RSVP to Betsy so she can reserve a large enough table.

Youth 2023 meeting today

We will have a special meeting today about Youth 2023 after the 2nd service in the Fellowship Hall for all youth in grades 7 - 12 and their parents.

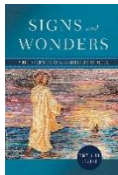
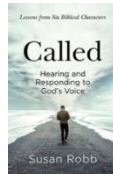
Over the last 20 years, many youth and adults have attended this national United Methodist youth conference. We have attended Youth 2003 at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, TN, Youth 2007 in Greensboro, NC, Youth 2011 at Perdue University in West Lafayette, IN, Youth 2015 in Orlando, FL and Youth 2019 in Kansas City, MO.

Youth 2023 will be in Daytona Beach, Florida in July. The theme is; Bold, Being ourselves, living different.

If you cannot attend this meeting and are interested in finding out more about this conference, please let Cheryl Ortolf know and she will email you the information.

Adult Studies -Continue

The Sunday morning Adult class's study is "*Called: Hearing and Responding to God's Voice*" by Susan Robb. There is always a seat for you in the Concord Room between the services at 9:45. Come join us to watch a short video and discuss the stories of Jonah, Samuel, Moses, Mary and Esther and John.



The Thursday morning 10 am class continues their study of "Signs and Wonders: A Beginners Guide to the Miracles of Jesus" by Prof. Amy-Jill Levine. We'd love for you to join us in the Concord Room and on Zoom as we discuss what we can learn together of Jesus's miraculous works of healing, stilling the storm, walking on water and raising the dead.

A copy of the books Adult Education classes are currently studying are available to you in the library located in the basement.

Early Bird Bible Study

Early Bird continues the theme, "Living the Christian Life." This week's discussion will focus on 'How we are to Live'. Please read Psalm 119:105 and 1 Thessalonians 5:11-21. Please set aside time to read the Scriptures and if possible join in the discussion on Tuesday morning at ten o'clock. See the Zoom link in the email.

Covid Protocols

The conditions in our community due to the various viruses are changing rapidly! The Discernment Team continues to monitor the CDC and our denomination, as well as best practices in our community, weekly, to understand the protocols we need to apply to allow us to worship safely. Due to the rising number of flu and COVID cases in the area, **it is strongly recommended that you wear a mask while in the building.**

Lost and Found

If you have lost a hearing aid in church, we have found one.

Also, a gold link necklace was found on Christmas eve.

Both are in the office – Check with Betsy

Church Office hours are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10am-12pm. Betsy will be in the office on those days and available by phone at other times.