



OREMS BEACON

Orem's United Methodist Church

December 2012

Special points of interest:

- Dec. 1- Hall Closet Thrift Shop open
- Dec 1—Memorial for Dave Vigue
- Dec 4— Esther Circle
- Dec 6—Keenager Christmas party at Jad's
- Dec 8— Spirit of the Season 5 pm to 9 pm
- Dec 24—Christmas Eve

Family Service - 6 p.m.

Candlelight Service—11 p.m.

Rev. Dr. Ann Adams, pastor

Email: oremspastor@verizon.net

Orem's United Methodist
1020 Orem's Road
Middle River, MD
21220

Spirit of the Season

Come see the Hall of Trees and vote for your favorite. Visit the Live Nativity and shop at the Marketplace.

We will have hot dogs and cookies for sale and many Christmas related items and craft items from

Orem's Church folk and also from area vendors.

We will also have entertainment from area choirs and Infinity Theatrical Productions. Doors open at 5 p.m. and the event runs

till 9 p.m. Bring your neighbors and friends to "Get into the Spirit" and enjoy an evening together at Orem's Church.

The Advent of Our King reprinted from Creative Communications

The following is from an insert written by Carol Geisler concerning Advent.

A Proclamation For All Subjects of the King

The four weeks before Christmas mark the Season of Advent, from a Latin word for "coming" or "arrival". We are preparing to celebrate the arrival of God himself, who took on human flesh in the person of Jesus Christ. jAdvent is a busy time. These four weeks are filled with church ser-

vices, concerts, parties, cleaning and decorating. It's a busy time and sometimes tiring and frustrating. But it is exciting too!

During Advent—welcome the crucified and risen Lord into your heart. On a great day yet to come, Jesus will return in glory as our King, raise us up and welcome us into his eternal presence.

Get ready—your King is Coming!

"Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight."
Matt 3:3

THANK YOU NOTES

Buck Rinker and Leodia would like to thank everyone for the cards and prayers and blessings during his recent hospitalization

Thank you for all the wonderful birthday cards. A special thank you to Robert and Madeline Churchman for the birthday flowers and balloon.

Love to all

Nora Hall

Luke: 2:12

This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger."



Angel Tree Gifts must be back into the church by Sunday December 12th. If you would like to adopt a angel for this Christmas, simply take one off the tree and sign the Angel Log with your name, the child's name and code. And your phone number.

Please put the child's name on the packages and tape the Angel card or something with the code on it to all the packages. Please do not put your name on the gifts. The gifts should be wrapped and returned to the Church no later than Sunday December 12 th so that they can be distributed to the families. Let's make this a great holiday for our neighbors in need.

*Volunteers are needed to help bake cookies, and Elf work at the Spirit of the Season. If you are available on Saturday December 8th please call the church office. **Contact the church office email: oremsumc@verizon.net or go to Spiritoftheseason@verizon.net***

Food Pantry News

We serviced 13 families at Thanksgiving with baskets of food including a turkey and all the fixings plus enough food for several more days.

Our pantry is being restocked to prepare for the Christmas baskets which will go to the families on our Angel Tree. These families are from the neighboring schools of Orem s , Glen Mar, Martin Boulevard and Victory Villa Elementary

Schools. The schools have expressed their sincere thanks in remembering them at this time of year. There has been a great deal of help requested from families in our area and the schools can not keep up with it all.

We were able to begin to restock our pantry with an area food drive held at Orem s Elementary school. They delivered 4 boxes of food to the pantry. We are however still in need of

certain items. If you are able to help us in any way it would be greatly appreciated by everyone involved. Here is the list of needed items: jars of gravy, instant potatoes, Tuna, Canned Hams, canned Chicken, Boxed Juices, Saltine Crackers, canned fruits of all kinds, beef stew, biscuit mixes, jello and pudding, sauerkraut, sweet potatoes, jelly and peanut butter.



MEMORIAL
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The following memorials have been given in memory and in honor of loved ones:

In memory of:

Margaret Smith given by Butch and Fran Frank and Maxine Young

In Honor of:

Nora Hall's 101st birthday given by Butch and Fran Frank

Thank you for your thoughtfulness,

Yours in Christ

Donna Winner

Memorial Fund Treasurer

Thanks be to God the Streets of Hope Ministry has received notification from the IRS that they have determined Churches for Streets of Hope to be a public charity exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions are now tax deductible, and this status goes back to August 22.

We are so overjoyed that this has come to fruition, and the Ministry looks forward to fundraising in their own name, to the glory of God and the advancement of His work.

SPIRIT OF THE SEASON

*A special event at Orem's United
Methodist Church
1020 Orem's Rd. Middle River
Saturday Dec 8th 5 p.m. to 9
p.m.*

*Festival of Trees
Performances by Area Choirs
Live Nativity Scene
Marketplace of crafts,
ornaments, specialty items, and
Christmas cookies*



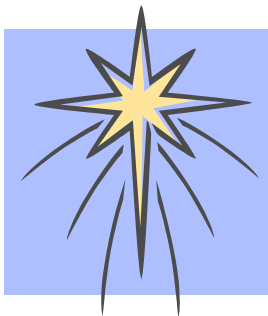


Weekly Choir fellowship has resumed on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm. We are currently working on the Christmas Cantata as a tribute to Dave Vigue

Our Director of Music Ministry Dave Vigue was called home to the Lord on Monday November 26th. We will miss him greatly.

Daniel 12:3

They that win souls are wise and shall shine like the stars of Heaven forever and ever.



Disciples of Yarn

I have 9 Christmas prayer shawls. They were made for our Church family. If you have an unexpected illness in your family during the holiday season, please ask for one. Vicki will have one in the office or see me on Sunday Morning for one. By mid December, I will take any left over shawls to Franklin Square Hospital for patients who are spending Christmas day in the hospital. Stay well! Thank you for all your support! Christmas Blessings to all
Mildred Shephard

Thank you to the Disciples of Yarn for the Prayer Shawl to comfort me during my recovery from a broken elbow. I held on tight to the shawl as I endured a very painful xray session. When the doctor looked at

the xray and announced I did not have to have a pin put in, I told him it was because of my prayer shawl. He said maybe you should bring in a few for my other patients. So thanks to Mildred Shephard this is

Disciples of Yarn

I can't thank you enough for the "Prayer shawl" that was made and given to me by you. As I go to my chemotherapy treatments, I wrap the shawl around me for peace and comfort. I was very touched when my Aunt Nancy mentioned to me that you were making that for me. Someone you didn't even know!

Thank you so much
Kathy

If you are interested in helping with the Disciples of Yarn Ministry to crochet Prayer Shawls or with Needle Bees group to knit items, contact the church office or Mildred Shephard. We would love to add you to our group of Disciples!

THANK YOU!

To the Men of Orem and Orem Church
May God continue to bless you as you minister to the needs of others. This comes as a note of appreciation for the bags of potatoes that you gave to our pantry. It continues to help others here as the need comes to our attention. God Bless.

Yours in Christ

James Mitchell Johnson

Pastor of Shining Star Baptist Church

Dear Friends of Orem Church
Thank you so much for all of your prayers, and cards of comfort. Your kindness makes such a difference in days such as these. Please continue to keep us in prayer.
Yours in Christ
Carleen Jackson
And daughters
Diane and Linda