

## GRAND BLANC UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Sunday, November 16, 2025



Fall Clean-up
Saturday, November 22 @ 10am
All help is appreciated!!
Bring rakes, tarps, leaf blowers, etc.



## TODAY!! Noon-1pm

Kindergarten – Elementary aged children are welcome to join Pastor Brian for a yummy PIZZA lunch!

Grownups are welcome to stay and eat, too.





Come for pizza.

Stay for fun and laughter.

Leave with a new stuffie!



PLEASE REMEMBER TO PICK UP YOUR 3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER STATEMENT! This statement will look different from past statements. If you have any questions about your giving statement please contact Sharon Bohms sherboh8@aol.com or 810-344-7868

Be sure to pick up a <u>BLESSING BAG</u> for our neighbors who are facing housing and food insecurities. Bags are available for you to take to someone or to keep in your car to share when you find someone that could use the bag and it's contents.

You are invited to continue donating the following items, which you can bring to the church anytime! Razors, deodorants, bar soap, toothbrushes, socks, washcloths, and band-aids, as well as the following travel sized items: shaving cream, lotions, shampoo, toothpaste, facial tissues and hand sanitizer.

The support for this ministry has been wonderful!!

~You can find filled Blessing Bags on the shelves between the conference room and the prayer room (across from the bathrooms). The bags are on the top shelves and the bins on the bottom shelves are where supply donations can be placed.

GBUMC Merchandise makes a great Christmas gift!!



Check out our GBUMC merch!!! All proceeds from the sales of this product go to support the ministries of Grand Blanc United Methodist Church. To purchase use the QR code or visit

https://www.bonfire.com/store/grand-blanc-umc-merch/ Contact the church office with any questions.









# Fundraiser at Culver's!! TOMORROW!! Monday, November 17 5pm to 8pm

A percentage of EVERY purchase will enable us to help our neighbors!

This time the funds we raise will be for our Community Care Fund. This fund helps our neighbors who are struggling financially (assistance with rent, utilities, car repairs, etc.)

If you are able to volunteer during this event you can indicate it on your connect card or please contact the church office. We need to have at least 4 adults, at a time, helping, so any time you can give, is greatly appreciated!

#### Invite your friends!





Hanging of the Greens
Sunday, November 23 following
Coffee Hour & Sunday School
All help is appreciated
Lunch will be provided
Youth Group will decorate the
Sanctuary Tree!!

#### CARE PACKAGES FOR OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS!

We are preparing to send packages to our college students before their final exams this semester. There is a collection box in the entryway. We are looking for individually wrapped candy, snacks, hot cocoa packets, oatmeal packets, popcorn, crackers, chapstick, pens, pencils, sticky notes, 3x5 cards, small Kleenex packages, anything that will fit in an 8x8 box. We will be packing up the boxes on **Sunday, November 23**.

#### Community Thanksgiving Service

Tuesday, November 25

At Halsey UMC, 10006 Baldwin Rd

6p Desserts, in their Community Center (you are invited to bring a dessert to share)

7p In their Worship Building

• Please note that parking is at a premium due to shared space with the striking Henry Ford/Health Park Nurses. Please consider carpooling.

Adult Sunday School will be held at 11:15 in the Library using the UMC Religion and Race "What is" series. Each week is a different topic. Attend weekly or for the topics that interest you. Grab a coffee hour snack and join us!

#### **Upcoming topics are:**

11/16 What is Colorism?11/23 What is Decolonization?11/30 What is Emotional Intelligence?



Please sign~in with your Connect Card! Help us keep accurate attendance records! Win a gift certificate!!

## C MPASS Groups

We would like to gauge interest in forming additional Compass Groups. If you would be interested in participating in a new Compass Group or if you know of a current group that you would like to join, please write in your interest on your Connect Card, or contact the church office.

Our Compass Groups meet once a month and are purpose-driven small groups that consist of individuals, couples, and/or families to connect people, wherever they are on their faith walk, with an intentional small group for the purpose of growing in their love for Christ though fellowship discipleship, service and worship.

The month of November is our annual reminder to have an attitude of gratitude. Our children received a gratitude journal during children's time a couple of weeks ago. There are prompts for them to practice daily gratitude encompassing all areas of their lives. If your child/grandchild did not receive a journal, please see Angela Campbell.

As a congregation, we can participate in our own attitudes of gratitude. At the back of the sanctuary, there is a table with gratitude leaves that will be up all month long. Please feel free to fill out as many leaves as you wish each Sunday, and put them in the basket. These leaves will be placed around our church so we can see all of our blessings and thanksgivings.

#### Thankful for our Staff

We are so blessed (and lucky) to have such an outstanding staff! They remain dedicated to our congregants and ministries month after month. The Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) would like to give you the opportunity to express your appreciation to our paid staff for their selfless efforts on our behalf during the year. SPRC will be collecting our annual LOVE gift for the staff. Donations need to be received by December 7<sup>th</sup> and marked 'staff appreciation' whether you give by check or electronically. Thank you for your generosity.

#### Harvest Gathering for FISH of Grand Blanc

(Please bring donated items to the church by Sunday, November 23)

Items needed to stock the FISH pantry:

- Meal in a Box (Hamburger/Tuna\*/Chicken Helper, Mac & Cheese, Scalloped Potatoes, Flavored Potatoes)
- Meal in a can (Ravioli, Spaghettios, Chunky/Progresso Soups, Chicken Noodle Soup)
- Cereal, Peanut Butter, Chicken or tuna\* in can or pouch, stuffing mix, saltine crackers, corn muffin mix, jello.
- Toilet paper & Kleenex

\*Especially needed: Tuna, stuffing, gravy, red or green jello, yams, and anything else for Thanksgiving Dinner

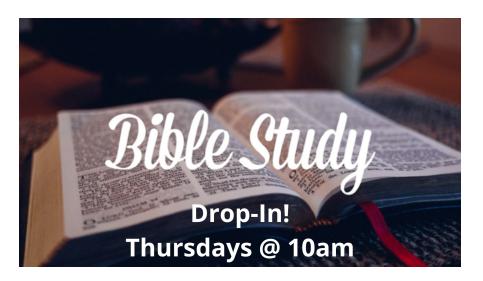
#### Native American Ministries – Special Sunday

#### **November 23, 2025**

Through Native American Ministries Sunday, we're able to equip and empower Native American pastors, congregations and seminary students to authentically worship and serve Jesus. As a member of The United Methodist Church, your gift, on this day, equips Native congregations to worship and serve as only they can. This work, and hundreds of other ministries, are possible because you give. Native American Ministries Sunday is an UMCOR project in the United States

Our giving allows Native Americans to encounter, worship and serve Jesus. When you support Native American Ministries Sunday, you equip seminary students who will honor and celebrate Native American culture in their ministries. And you empower congregations that are finding fresh new ways to minister to their communities with the love of Christ.

Please give generously to the Native American Ministries on Sunday November 23rd. If you donate online please mark your donation as Native American Ministries Sunday. THANK YOU!



The non-profit organization, Cans 4 Kids, will be using our church to serve free meals on Monday, November 24 and Saturday, November 29 from 5-7pm.

On Monday, November 24, they will be serving pasta and on Saturday, November 29, they will be serving tapas. On both nights, they will also be providing families with free take-home bags with easy, ready-to-make meals.

Please spread the word and if you would like to help with these events with either your time or your donations, please contact the church office for more details.



The church office will be closing at noon on Tuesday, November 18. Apologies for any inconvenience.

Download the new Grand Blanc United Methodist Church App on your phone, today!







#### **Christmas at Crossroads!**

Common Grace will be sharing Christmas music in the Chapel at Crossroads Village (6140 N. Bray Rd, Flint, MI) on Saturday, December 6 at 7pm.

We always enjoy seeing familiar faces in the crowd!!



Service opportunities for those who are dealing with the death of a loved one, facing life after divorce or separation, coping with the loss of a job, living with cancer or some other dis-ease. For anyone who may not feel like celebrating this season.

#### **Longest Night/Darkest Nights Service**

here at GBUMC on **Wednesday, December 3 at 6pm**.

This is a community service. Invite those you know that might be struggling to attend the Community Dinner and/or this special worship service.

### Candlelight Service at Hill Funeral Home on Sunday, December 7 at 4pm.

Pastor Brian will be sharing words of hope at this service.
All are welcome.