May the peace and hope of Christ's birth be with you now and in the days ahead ...

December 2019



December

- 1 Advent/Communion Sunday
- 2 Ladies Bible Study Holiday Dinner 6:00 PM
- 14 Second Saturday Get Together (Holiday Deco rating)
- 19 Church Council 7:00 PM
- 22 Christmas Sunday Service
- 24 Christmas Eve Service 6:00 PM Cookies/Tea/ Fellowship; 7:00 PM Service
- 25 CHRISTMAS DAY (No Service)
- 31 New Year's Eve

Advent Bible Study: Sunday 12/1 at 7:00 PM; Tuesdays 12/3, 12/10, 12/17 at 10:00 AM & 7:00 PM

Standing Meetings:

Every Tuesday: Praise Team Practice 6:00-8:15 PM

Every Wednesday: English Bible Study 7:00 PM

December Anniversaries & Birthdays



1 Thomas Lee; 2 Paul Lee; 7 Chen Zhao; 10 John Serl; 16 Yasoda Pillay; 26 Anshu Sharma



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To the faithful at SUMC,

We are writing to encourage you to remember Shoreline UMC in your 2019 year-end giving and financial planning for 2020.

You're probably getting funding appeals from dozens of organizations this month. Many are worthy causes. But our church is more than a cause; it's a community. Your gifts make it possible for us to be the body of Christ on the corner of 145th and 25th Ave NE in Shoreline.

As we come to the finish of 2019, we remember Gerry Blouin who came in April from NC to be close to her son, George. She was looking for a community to belong, belong quickly, and she did. On December 1, we celebrated her life with her family and friends knowing she had found a church home in a short time. When you walk in the door at Shoreline, you belong. You belong because God's grace is for everyone. You belong because you are with fellow travelers who are not perfect; we need each other for support and encouragement on this sometimes-bumpy road of life. You belong because we need each other when we minister to the families at Briarcrest Elementary School, minister to the homeless with clean socks, minister to our neighbors with cooking classes and music. Thank you for making 2019 a blessed year by being a blessing to others.

Giving at the end of the year can confer great tax benefits; however, God's love shown through Jesus is the best benefit for all. Come join us: invest your time, heart, and treasures with us as we serve as the hands of Christ to the community.

Thank you for including our church among the charities that you choose to support at the end of the year and all year long.

Your financial servants, Alicia Buterbaugh and Janelle Woolsey Sunday evening, December 1, family and friends gathered at Shoreline United Methodist to remember Gerry Blouin. The few months that our church family knew her felt she impacted our lives in a very positive way. We will miss her but she is spending Christmas with Jesus this year. Before she left us, she sent a Christmas greeting via Pastor Lee. Here is the final Christmas card from Gerry....



What a blessing God made me stop at your church to help me on my journey. Such a wonderful church family. I love you all. Continue God's Work. Gerry

...and may its peace and joy last throughout a wonderful new year.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Ladies celebrated their holiday party on Monday, December 2nd. We had a good time as you can tell by the pictures (compliments of Meredani).



Friends visiting.



Welcoming new friends to our Holiday party.



Food and sharing a plenty.

Sharing our gifts for all.



Christmas Gifts to Briarcrest Families

The Mission Team reminds us that it is the time of year when we buy gift cards for those in need.

We will be providing gift cards for families who have children attending Briarcrest Elementary School and are in need.

If you wish to participate, put a little extra in the offering plate this Sunday, December 15th. Make sure to mark it "Briarcrest Christmas Gift". You can also give Nellie Ann money or gift cards so we can get them delivered to the school before the Christmas break.



CAROLING AT FIRCREST

Our annual caroling at Fircrest is scheduled:

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17

We will meet at the church at 6:00 PM and carpool to Fircrest then return to the church following our caroling.

The Praise Team will be joining the caroling group before practicing.

