

The Auburn Light

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Missions

As the year draws to a close and we think about new beginnings we have a couple more opportunities to share with others. We are currently collecting dollars and mittens and gloves that fit teenagers, and socks for all ages of kids in Geauga County.

During Advent there will be special envelopes in the backs of the pews for the Crossroad Mission. This is the Fort Wayne Children's Home of the United Church of Christ Inc. Again this year we can help support this worthy cause.

On Sunday Dec. 23 there will be red envelopes in the pew backs for the annual Christmas Fund collection which goes to the Pension Boards' Ministerial Assistance program. 20 of the people receiving checks last year were over 100 years old! Monthly pension supplement, quarterly health premium supplement, emergency grants are some of the uses for this collection. We appreciate the clergy who have given their time and talents to us and are now retired.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Mission Committee

A Message of Thanks

With the holidays upon us, getting together with friends and family, our family would like to wish everyone a very blessed and thankful holiday season. Also, we would like to express our deepest thanks, gratitude and appreciation with all the heartfelt sympathy cards, thoughts and prayers through one of the toughest times of our lives with the passing of my husband, father and friend.

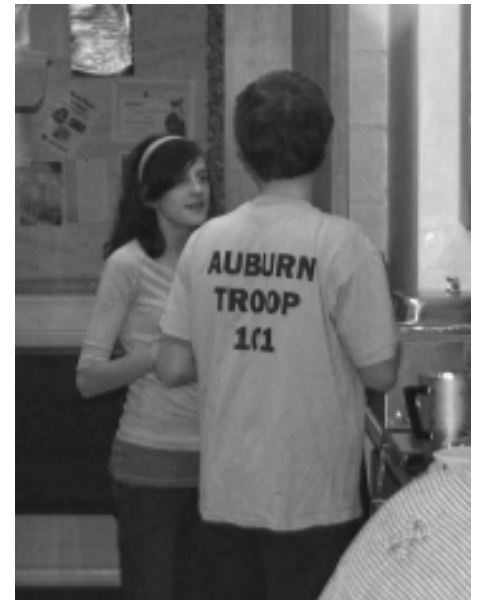
We would like to thank all those who always go unnamed in times like these but they do so much to help in so many ways. All the help that was given in the luncheon after the service was so appreciated by all.

Again, have a very blessed holiday season, ours will be very different but will be a time of remembrance and marking of a new beginning, as Willis would want. Please remember him in your prayers along with our family as we go through this difficult time and we will remember yours in our prayers.

Thanks to all, Wilma Brown and family

News from the Turkey Dinner

There was a huge turnout. More than 200 dinners were served. Thanks to Jan Haskins and all who helped. Both a great evening of fellowship and an opportunity to invite people to join our church family on Sunday as well.



What are You Thankful For?

It might sound old fashioned but it was far from it Thanksgiving Sunday as people did not hesitate to share their thankfulness with each other as part of Pastor Charles' message. There were tears and laughter as people lifted up the joys and blessings that they have received. Some shared joys for recovery, for family and for grandparents who bring their grandchildren to church. As the people spoke from their hearts, all agreed that a great portion of their blessings came from the Auburn Community Church family. The understanding, acceptance, generosity and faithfulness of the people of Auburn Church was apparent as the sharing time continued.

Come and Share the Joy of the Christmas Season with Your Auburn Community Church Family.

Come for the carols and the Scripture.
Come to laugh.
Come for the breath taking pointsettias, and the smell of pine.
Come for the special choir music.
Come for the goodies.
Come to cry.
Come to find out how you can help.
Come for encouragement.
Come for the lighted candles.
Come for the messages that Pastor Charles shares.
Come to set an example for your child!
Come to rest.
Come for the hugs.
Come to give back to God.
Come to sing.
Come to support those who need you.
Come to pray for yourself and others.
Come as you are!



Worship Sunday 10:00
Sunday School during the service.
Christmas Eve Service 7:00 PM



"I know the pizza house gave you a good price,
but I still prefer the old choir."

When You Have Fed Them, You Have Fed Me

Through the generosity of the Auburn Community Church family, enough food was doated to feed two families for Thanksgiving. All praise be to God.

Newsletter Online!

Many more members have chosen to read the newsletter on-line and not have it mailed. Postage is now 41 cents. The online newsletter will have the pictures in color taken during services and special events. These newsletters will remain on-line if you want to check back later. Go to Auburnchurch.net and choose Newsletters in the left menu.

Handicap Equipment

Need handicap equipment? We can help. There are wheel chairs, canes, crutches, and more at the church for anyone who needs them. See what is there before you rent or buy and keep as long as needed.

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