

# THIS WEEK AT GOLDEN HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, November 19, 2017

*24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost ~ Thanksgiving Sunday  
~ Baptism of David Aiden Glasford (10:45)*

**Scripture Reading:** Psalm 103 and Psalm 139

**Ministry of Music:** "Thankful"

*~ Chancel Choir with Instrumental Ensemble ~*

## TODAY AT GOLDEN HILL

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS! THANK YOU!**

**COFFEE HOUR:** Coffee Hour is generally held in the Parlor following the 10:45 am service.

**COFFEE HOUR HOST:** Rene Reed

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**CHAPEL LAY SERVANT LEADER & LITURGIST:** Sonya Green

**CHAPEL USHER:** Bill Brown

**CHAPEL FLOWERS-THANKSGIVING DISPLAY:** *generously donated by Jones Family Farm in Shelton.*

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**SANCTUARY FLOWERS -THANKSGIVING DISPLAY:** *generously donated by Jones Family Farm in Shelton.*

**USHERS:** Becki Anderson, Patrine Tracey, Opal Crosdale, and Carlton Johnson

**SANCTUARY LAY SERVANT LEADER & LITURGIST:** Melodye Merola

**YOUTH READER:** Ariana Morales

**TELLERS:** Denise Fullerton and Alan Offeney

**NURSERY CARE ASSIST:** BJ Francis *Nursery Care is led by Donna Green*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS THIS WEEK:

**The Shower Ministry** Items needed right now Women & Men's deodorant, Men's underwear size L ONLY, and travel size body powder. We will keep you posted as the inventory fluctuates. Thank you for all your support of this ministry.

**Weekender Backpack Grocery Needs:** Donations **needed in church by Sunday, November 19 for packing on Tuesday, November 21:** cold cereal, peanut butter crackers, 5-6 oz. tuna, condensed soup, mac and cheese boxes and individual pasta. Thanks so much!

**Coat Collection:** We asked for coats to help keep people warm this winter and you responded generously. Together we collected 70 coats! They will be given to the Bridgeport Rescue Mission who will distribute them as part of their Great Thanksgiving Project. Thank you so much for helping to keep people warm this winter!

**Christmas Baskets:** Thank you so much for all you have started to donate for this year's Christmas basket program. For the next few weeks, we will be highlighting various food items we will need to include in the baskets of food and gifts Golden Hill be delivering to 120 families at Christmas this year. When you are at the grocery store this week purchasing items for your Thanksgiving dinner, **please consider picking up some of these items for Christmas baskets:** **instant mashed potatoes, instant stuffing mix and dry gravy mix.** Also, if you were not in church last week and would like to purchase gifts for the children who are getting the baskets, please know **we welcome all gifts of toys for children ages 0-13, as well as \$10 Target gift cards for the older children.** Thank you so much for helping to fill the baskets!

**From the Sunday School Team -We have decided not to hold Sunday School the following Sundays:**

November 26 (Sunday after Thanksgiving), December 24 (Christmas Eve),  
And December 31 (New Years' Eve)

*THANK YOU! Many thanks to all of you who came out to support the Saturday Night Live fundraising event on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. Especially to the folks behind the scenes – the cooks, set up, decorators and cleanup crew, and all those who helped in so many ways to make this a successful event. With your efforts we raised \$1,705 that will measurably reduce the deficit in our church budget. Your support is so greatly appreciated. Many blessings.*

**Advent Study** – As we prepare for the coming of the Messiah, **please join us this Advent season for a five-session Bible Study starting on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:30-10:30 am in the Parlor**, with subsequent studies on 12/10, 12/17. More information will follow on the final two sessions. We will be studying *The Lord is our Light* that challenges us to cultivate faithful lives here and now. For more information, please contact Byron Crosdale at (203) 878-7371 or email: [crosdale@optonline.net](mailto:crosdale@optonline.net). You may also register for this study by contacting the church office at (203)336-0152. Thank you.

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**YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN A NEW MINISTRY TEAM AT GOLDEN HILL....  
PRAYER WALKS IN THE CITY**

Jesus commissioned his disciples to “Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation” (Mark 16:15)

Those of us who have attended sessions with Rev. Ewoodzie and Rev. Gilmore know that we are charged to bring the gospel out into the community surrounding the church, our neighborhood. We are planning ministry teams who will walk around the downtown area, stopping at government buildings, housing complexes and businesses to pray for the people there and their concerns. To accommodate individuals' schedules, we are planning a rotating schedule of different days and times each week of the month. Each session will last one hour. Come when you can!

There will be a designated leader for each session, but all are welcome to participate in prayer. We will gather in the lounge at the Elm Street entrance 5 minutes before the scheduled time. If you own a garment with GHUMC insignia, you are encouraged to wear it. You should definitely wear good walking shoes! Those who would like to participate but don't feel they can walk the whole distance are welcome to carpool to each prayer site.

**COME PRAY WITH US!**

**Mon. 11/20** 12 N – 1 p.m.

**Thu. 11/30** 12 N – 1 p.m.

Questions: Please call Pam Hoffman 203-372-6552 or [pamela\\_b\\_hoffman@hotmail.com](mailto:pamela_b_hoffman@hotmail.com)

IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED, please list your church affiliation as Golden Hill United Methodist and notify the church office

### **OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK November 19 – November 26**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Thanksgiving Sunday</b>
	8:30 am Chapel Worship Service
	9:45 am Choir Warm-up
	10:45 am Sanctuary Worship Service- Baptism
	12:30 pm Steel Band Rehearsal
	6:30 pm UMYF (United Methodist Youth Fellowship)
<b>Monday</b>	12:00 pm Prayer Walk
<b>Tuesday</b>	5:30 pm Back Packers
	7:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous (N.A.)
<b>Wednesday</b>	2:00 pm Shower Ministry
	5:00 pm Community Supper
<b>Thursday</b>	<i>Happy Thanksgiving!</i>
	7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous (N.A.)
<b>Friday</b>	7:00 pm Crystal Meth Anonymous (C.M.A.) in the Library
<b>Saturday</b>	10:00 am Holiday Tag Sale in Locke Hall
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Christ the King Sunday –</b>
	8:30 am Chapel Worship Service
	9:45 am Choir Warm-up
	10:45 am Sanctuary Worship Service
	12:30 pm Steel Band Rehearsal
	6:30 pm UMYF (United Methodist Youth Fellowship)

NOTE: Bold Print denotes a church related event/meeting, non-bold items are outside groups.

### **NOTE THESE DATES FOR UPCOMING BUILDING USE:**

- 11/27 7 pm Lay Servant Meeting w/Pastor
- 11/28 C. Churches Culinary Class 10 am - 2 pm (every Tues. & Thu.)  
7:30 pm N.A. meeting (Every Tuesday)
- 11/29 11:30 am Back Packers  
C. Churches Women's Business Development 6-9 pm (every Wed.)  
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
- 11/30 C. Churches Culinary Class 10 am - 2 pm (every Tues. & Thu.)  
12 pm Prayer Walk
- 12/3 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent – 9:30 Advent Bible Study in the Parlor  
7 pm Roots Bible Study Class
- 12/4 C. Churches Culinary Class 10 am - 1 pm
- 12/5 9 am Chrismon Tree set-up day, 6:30 pm NYAC Event in Locke Hall
- 12/6 6:30 pm Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
- 12/7 10 am Prayer Walk  
C. Churches Culinary Class 10 am - 2 pm (every Tues. & Thu.)  
7:30 pm CHURCH COUNCIL Meeting
- 12/10 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent ~ Boy Scout Introduction Sunday,  
Mission Minute by Cynthia Smith, 9:30 am Advent Bible Study in the Parlor
- 12/11 C. Churches Culinary Class 10 am - 1 pm  
7 pm Comm. on Lay Leadership Meeting



## **IT'S A HOLIDAY SALE !!!!**

**Saturday, November 25, 2017  
10:00 AM to 4:00 PM**

### **Golden Hill United Methodist Church**

210 Elm Street  
Bridgeport, CT  
203-336-0152

**Available at the sale will be:**

- \*Gloves, mittens, and scarves
- \*Tools and Electronics
- \*Small Appliances
- \*Jewelry

**Please direct all questions, suggestions and concerns  
to Geri Floyd at [jfloyd01@snet.net](mailto:jfloyd01@snet.net) or 203-268-4899**



**Your Nut and Greeting Cards orders may be picked up today in the narthex or at the  
Holiday Sale on Saturday, November 25th.**

**The items we would like for you to donate for the sale are:** mittens, gloves, and scarves; tools  
and electronics; Christmas decorations, jewelry. **Please bring all donated items to Locke Hall on  
Friday, November 24th from 8 AM - 4 PM.**

We will offer baked goods for sale and there will be free coffee and hot tea.

Thank you for your contributions!!!!  
***The Holiday Sale Committee***

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***POINSETTIA & HOLIDAY GREENS AT  
GOLDEN HILL***



**Deck the Halls at Advent to Honor or in Memory of Family & Friends**

Counting down the days to the start of Advent and Christmas, we remind you that we want to adorn our church with beautiful poinsettia, wreaths and greens for the season. If you would like to be part of this, please complete the form below with the name(s), in memory or in honor of someone you know and return it to the church office with the specified amount you want to give by **Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>**. The suggested donation is \$30, however, any amount (more or less) will be accepted.

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**Christmas Flowers & Greens Donation  
Deadline: December 3, 2017**

In Memory / In Honor of (circle one)

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*(Name of person(s) remembered or honored)*

Donated by \_\_\_\_\_

Donation Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please CLEARLY print all information exactly as you wish it to appear in the church bulletin and return to the church office by Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

Checks may be made out to: Golden Hill United Methodist Church, *(with Christmas flowers in the memo line.)*



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**GOLDEN HILL PARISH STAFF E-Mail**

**The Reverend Tisha Branch, Senior Pastor – [PastorT@goldenhill.org](mailto:PastorT@goldenhill.org)**  
**Melodye Merola, Director of Outreach Ministry – [Outreach@goldenhill.org](mailto:Outreach@goldenhill.org)**  
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**Bergeau Pierre, Parking Attendant**  
**Office hours: Tuesday thru Thursday, 9:00 to 2:45 o'clock**

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**The Rev. Dean Amelung, Clergy-in-Residence**  
**The Rev. Sara Lamar-Sterling, Clergy-in-Residence**  
**The Rev. James A. Stinson, Clergy-in-Residence**

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