



**“the CONNECTION” – Staying In-Touch Weekly**  
**Commerce United Methodist Church – Offering Help for Life.**  
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**JULY 21, 2019**

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**NO TORCH Youth Group this coming Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup>.** Will resume Sunday Aug. 4<sup>th</sup> 6 to 8 pm.

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**Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Project** is a BIG project for **Kids-on-a-Mission** AND our whole church family! Thank YOU for your past years donations! We will collect items throughout the entire year – each month featuring a different suggested item. Please continue to pray all year long for this mission. You can place your donated item in the designated collection tub at the back wall of the Fellowship Hall. In November we will set aside a Sunday for the entire congregation to be a part of filling the boxes! **During JULY – suggested items are: CLOTHING ITEMS, COMBS & BRUSHES** If you missed donating items during the months of January – May, it is NOT too late! We still are short quantities on the following items: Hats/Gloves/Scarves, Accessories (hair/sunglasses/ball caps), quality crafts, small stuffed animals (beanie baby sized only), bar soap, toothbrushes, deodorant, psnl hygiene items. Thank you for your on-going support.

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**Preventative Health for STROKE, HEART DISEASE and OTHER CHRONIC CONDITIONS** ... There is a simple, convenient way for you to get preventive health screenings and learn your risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions. These painless screenings go beyond your regular checkup to identify dangerous plaque buildup or blockage, a major risk factor for stroke and heart disease. The screenings are accurate, affordable and will give you valuable information about your health that you can share with your doctor. We are pleased to host **Life Line Screening, who will be on site on August 8, 2019 at Commerce UMC** to conduct these valuable screenings. These 5 vital screenings are offered for only \$149 and take 60-90 minutes to complete. If you register today, you will receive a \$10 discount. Register by calling 1-888-653-6441, visit [www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle), or text the word "circle" to 797979.

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**Christian Education has a few openings** for the next school year, **beginning in August**. If you love to work with our young people, this is the spot for you! All teaching materials and supplies are provided and given to you well in advance. Just show up and execute the lesson! Please let Tracy know if you are able to jump on board, for one of these super-rewarding positions. **Children's Worship (during the 11 am service) - 4th Sunday of the month (2 adults)**

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Bible Journaling will be cutting back on gathering times this summer. Instead of meeting each week for July and August, they will meet only once a month, Thursday, 7/25 & Thursday, 8/15. They will resume weekly meeting times in September.

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**Pastoral Care** ... If you or anyone you know needs Pastoral Care or would like a call or visit from Pastor Andy, please contact the church office to speak to him. 248-363-3935

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*Thank YOU* ... I would like to thank EVERYONE who has helped out in the office with errands and duties for me while my broken foot is healing. Your steps have been appreciated more than you will know. Sincerely, Roberta

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**Summer “Pickup” Choir** – If you like to sing but find time crunched to fit in weekly practices... perhaps you would like to be a part of the Summer PICKUP choir. We are very casual and laid back. Come, step in with us, even spur of the moment and sing praises to the Lord! Talk to Aaron to learn more about this pickup choir.

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**A sincere “Thank You”** from the Family of Bill Markland, Son-In-Law of Judy Rose. Your cards, prayers and kind words to Becky, Bill’s wife and the family have been very heart-warming during this difficult time of his passing. I really appreciate and cherish my “Church Family” more than you will ever know. Lovingly, Judy Rose.

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#### **VERY IMPORTANT NOTE about 2019 VBS –**

**“THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU to EVERYONE who had anything to do with VBS last week!**

A Giant THANK YOU to every teacher and assistant, teen helper, all the kitchen help and pre-baking prep, our nurses, the child care in the nursery, our great registration helpers, ticket sales & hospitality crew, AV experts for light & sound, the creative Craft department and energetic Recreation leader (no VBS is a success without CRAFTS & REC!), the general store attendants, and a Heart-Felt Thank You to the Families for sharing their children with us for a phenomenal week on “The Incredible Race, One Family -One Race -One Savior!” It was a Race to Remember!

Thank U to our super church family for all the donated supplies for the last 5 months in preparation for this big week, ... YOU are ALL Wonderful ! ! ! It could not have been such a blessed week without YOU.

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**A HUGE THANK YOU!** to Bev LaTurneau, Sally Courville, Beth Fournier, and Eve Milligan for putting in time doing all of the pre-baking for VBS snacks. To say that I appreciate all of your help is an understatement! Thanks also to Joe and Tom Fournier who stopped in and helped at the end of a very long day. Thank you, Thank you, Thank you all! Kristen

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**SUMMER TORCH ...** SR & JR Youth TORCH Groups will meet combined on Sunday evenings 6 to 8 pm during the summer months. Hope to see you all there and don't forget to bring your friends too!

**Discarding GENTLY USED EYE GLASSES ...** The Milford Huron Valley Lion's Club is collecting gently used eye glasses. They will be made available to improve the quality of life for persons who are in need of glasses. Questions or Concerns about this program, please contact Sally or Russ Courville. 734-634-1085

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.



**THIS WEEK** – Anna Senk Candice Fredricks

**PREVIOUS** - The Stefanou Family

**LONG TERM** (please check the Long Term list below and let the office know of any that need to be removed)

Peggy Allen	Shelly Christy	Sharon Hern	Becky Markland	John Russell
John Andre	Janice Dean	Cindy Hogan	Linda McDermid	Carol Santti
Amber Aro-Pisha	Claire DeBurghgrave	Teresa Holloway	Morgan McGregor Family	Dennis Sherget
Mrs. Baetz	Shirley Dobleski	Janet Howard	Mary Jean McKee	Janet Schuler
Joe Baker	Jim Dunn	Russ Jenkins	Colleen Mischloney	Cyndi Setticeri
Sandy Bakken	Barb Dusenbery	Kathy Johnson	Cindy Mitchell	Jameson Sheib
Sydney Balzer	Jon Eaton	Mara Juidici	Liam Morley & Family	David Smiertka
James Bassinger	Jeff Fagan & Family	Bruce Keilor	Erika Morris	Olivia Smiertka
Betty Barry	Barbara Felice	Gail Keister	Charity Muldoon	Jeannie Snelling
Michael Behrend	Brenda Ferns	William Kline	Mary Mullens	Paul Solberg
Rosa Bergner	Maud Foesz	Amy Kopytek	The Alanna Nagi Family	Tom & Irma Speidel
Debbie Biermacher	Heather Fournier	David Lambertson	Jennifer Oldenburg	Dave Stafford
Austin Bills	Lucas Fredericks	Genika Landry	Glenn Oliver & Family	Bonnie Stanecki
Ron Bland	Brady Frelich	The Lang Family	Chuck Pabl	Roy Stoddard
Roger Bouchard	Hanna & Kris Froehlich	Linda Lawrey	Andrew Pawlak	Nancy Strohs
Jean Bowman	Mike Fuller	Mike Leavey	Kathy Poppenger	Tracey Thode
Susan Brandt	Edna Geisler	Mary Alice Lesiak	Lisa Pritchett	Robert Troske
Kyle Brown	T. J. Goines	Colleen Litzau	Gerald Radar	Chris Tucker
Kati Brush	Olivia Griffin	Joe Lopez	Jeremy Ralston	Jean Vaquera
Joyce Byrd	Shirley Grupido	Zachary Lubnow	Vicky Relitz	Rosemary Voros
Sarah Casenhiser	Linda Guerrero	Andrew Lumetta	Cole Reynolds	Brian Weiser
Laura Cohorst	Shirley Hansen	Julia Maddock	Lori Rodriguez	Gail Weist
Chuck Cook	Kent Hausauer	Joyce Madsen	John Rolke	Yvonne Zaun
Virginia Cooley	Amanda Hendrickson	Leo Maki	Warren Roon	Ken Zawisliak

### In The MILITARY ...

David Beaver Alex & Kaitlyn Callahan A.J. Carraway Alan Culp Cody Ford-Aimone	Gary Hoga Sean Jemison Daniel Jensen Warren Johnson	Jeffery Kach Jimi Keller Nicolas Lindsay Kyle Moore Chad Parks	David Schmidt Robert Shouse Glen Stahl Jeff Swanson	Janae Tervino Mason Viers Brandon Wichowski Korey Wichowski Fernando Zrinyi
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