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Macon United Methodist Church

## **NEWSLETTER**

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**The Purpose Of the Macon United Methodist Church Is To:**

**I. Worship God and instill a deeper fath in our membership by hearing and teaching God's Word.**

**II. To be a concerned people, sharing God's love through our words and actions, seeking to find ways to express that love throughout our community and the word.**

**III. To be in mission – through our activities and giving, supporting the work of the total church, where we cannot personally be affective**

**Council of Ministries**

**Worship**

**Pastor Kelly Zawodni**

**On Sunday September 20, 2020 we will start meeting in the sanctuary for Worship Service: 9:00 am at 11964 Macon Hwy. Clinton, Mi. 49286 (Village of Macon).**



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“So I pray that God, who gives you hope, will keep you happy and full of peace as you believe in him. May you overflow with hope through the power of the Holy Spirit.” Romans 15:13 New Living Translation

## Schedules and information

Liturgist schedule (we need someone to take over and update this schedule)	Bible Study
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• September 20 – Jeannie Rayne (Need a substitute)</li><li>• September 27 – Penny Hunt</li><li>• October 4- Need substitute</li><li>• October 11 – Spencer Ruffner</li><li>• October 18 – Beverly Robinson</li><li>• October 25 – Diana Ruhl</li><li>• November 1 – Bill Face</li><li>• November 8– Ed Clark</li><li>• November 15 – Marilyn Hewlett</li><li>• November 22 – Jeannie Rayne</li><li>• November 29- Sharon Scott</li><li>• December 06- Diana Ruhl</li><li>• December 13 – substitute needed</li><li>• December 20 – Beth Lighthall</li><li>• December 27 – Julie Hewlett</li></ul>	<p>Bible study at MUMC is being considered at this time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• We are reviewing start up of our Bible study shortly after Sunday Worship Service and,</li><li>• are considering meeting down stairs in the fellowship area with social distance rules in place.</li></ul> <p>– Send comments- via email to <a href="mailto:hewlettjk@gmail.com">hewlettjk@gmail.com</a></p>



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## **Past Events / Activities**

Macon Garden Club

Sharon Scott and Julie Hewlett

Fall Plant Swap was held Saturday September 12, 2020- 9:00 -11:00 am at Macon United Methodist church. Hosted by Macon Garden Club. Organized by MUMC Members (Sharon Scott and Julie Hewlett). It was a beautiful sunny fall day.

The event was well attended with 45-50 people attending.

\$120 was raised from donations for Plants, Fairy Doors, and Books.

Funds will be used for future projects in the community. Examples of past projects: Hospice of Lenawee flower bed, Tecumseh High School Sculpture Garden.

## **Future Events / Activities**

**Mission**

**From Sharon Scott (Mission Chair)**

The UMC has been having scheduled meetings with missionaries once a week. The missionaries are from all over the world and it is very interesting to be a part of the Zoom meetings. Anyone can attend. There is usually a choice of 4 missionaries to pick from and listen to. Contact Sharon Scott "[sascott2@comcast.net](mailto:sascott2@comcast.net)" to be included in the Zoom Meeting or get involved.



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## Current Event

### Mission

#### From Sharon Scott (Mission Chair)

The UMC is raising money for the Heifer Project to buy a Goat for a family.

The cost of a Goat is \$120. Add the amount you want to donate with a note Heifer Project / Goat. Let's see how many goats we can purchase. Contact



Ruwaida and Salehe Abdul's family received a goat from Heifer. The gift of a goat has changed their lives forever. You can make a difference to another family just like the Abduls.

This is a matched product

### Goats help families feed themselves

**On small farms, goats are often the key to a family's survival. Give a goat to a family in need. Along with training and education in its care, each goat gift donation:**

- Provides milk, cheese and butter for nourishment
- Boosts income through sales of extra milk
- Encourages better crop yields by creating fertilizer and clearing land

Goats are known for providing delicious milk, which can be used to create cheese that can be sold for income, in turn providing a family's children the opportunity to go to school. Goat milk is more easily digestible, and one animal can produce up to four gallons a day.

**Goats are ideal for zero grazing, which means very little land is needed to raise them. Their natural curiosity and intelligence also makes them great pets for families with children.**



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## Future Events / Activities (cont)

**From Christine Obeid (High School Art teacher)**

### Red Poppy Project

#### Tecumseh High School 2020

Christine Obeid <[cobeid@tps.k12.mi.us](mailto:cobeid@tps.k12.mi.us)>

**Who:** Tecumseh High School Art department and art students. (Hopefully the music department will join us to make it a concert event as well as visual arts) We will also invite other local artists and Art educators at other grade levels.



**What:** The Red Poppy Project is an Art Installation. Artists will make red poppy sculptures on sticks and install outdoors in remembrance of Veterans who have fought in wars. Poppies will be made of ceramic or other materials.

**When:** Wednesday November 11th. From 4:00-6:00 We will invite the community to see this either in person or drive by. We will start to install the weekend prior. We will offer for the public to purchase the poppies for a donation (\$?). The proceeds to be given to a Veterans group.

**Why:** To involve students and the community in thinking about the sacrifice that our veterans have made as well as the power of the arts. Students will learn history, art skills as well as how the arts can influence social change.

**Where:** Tecumseh High School Sculpture Garden

If you would like to make poppies to be placed in the Art Installation, contact Mrs. Obeid.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KMxF3L2G0-4>,

<https://youtu.be/zfnmywn4eoY>



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## Future Events / Activities (cont)

### Macon Garden Club

Julie Hewlett

Sharon Scott arranged for a field trip to a native plant nursery near Manchester on Saturday September 26 at 1pm. The nursery is Windy Rock Farm, 6750 Sharon Hollow Road, Manchester. Rain date is October 3. The owner will give a talk on pollinators and native plants, then we can look around. He will have plants for sale. Cash or check preferred. Not sure if credit card machine will work.

We will drive separately, no car pooling. Masks and social distancing required, but we will be outside with flowers! Let me know if you are interested Julie email: [hewlettjk@gmail.com](mailto:hewlettjk@gmail.com)



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#### Plants with Purpose



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**Trees, Shrubs,  
and Wildflowers  
for Pollinators**

**Manchester, MI**

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## **2020 Officers and Committees (November 11, 2019)**

- Administration Chair: Bill Hunt
- Vice Chair: Rita Perkins
- Lay Leader: Spencer Ruffner
- SPRC Chair: Bill Gorton
- Treasurer: Bill Hunt
- Finance Secretary: Rita Perkins
- Membership Secretary: Julie Hewlett
- Trustee Chairperson: Wally Perkins
  - Members: Jennie Rayne, Rick Ruhl, Julie Hewlett, Ed Clark, Don Everett
- Mission Chairperson Sharon Scott
  - Members: Marlilyn Hewlett, Marge Monagan, Nancy Naugle, Beth Lighthall.
- Worship Chairperson: Meri Schoof
  - Members: Marie Mehler, Patty Long, Judy Rhoades
  - Head usher: Wally Perkins
- Evangelism/ ROAM(Reach Out Around Macon) Chairperson: Spencer Ruffner
  - Members: Ed Clark, Gerry Gorton, Beth Lighthall, Bill Face
- Memorial Chairperson: Bill Hunt. Treasurer: Rita Perkins, Secretary: Marilyn Bagby, Members: Rick Ruhl and Wally Perkins.
- Ad Council Members: (The Ad Council is made up of the pastor, the chair of each committee of the Macon UMC and the members at large)
  - Ad Council members at Large: Judy Rhoades, Ed Clark.