

JANUARY NEWSLETTER

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For 125 Years

ELDON UNITED

METHODIST CHURCH

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SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.

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January 2018

End of Year Giving Reports

The Giving reports for 2017 will be available Sunday, January 14. The reports will be available for you to pick up at church. Any reports not picked up by the end of January will be mailed out.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our church and our ministries this past year.

Pastor Steve



Happy New Year

As we enter this year and continue to work together as a Church to fulfill our mission from God, my prayer for each of you is that you would ask God each day to fill you with His Holy Spirit and give you peace, hope, love, joy and wisdom. Pastor Steve



Contemporary Worship Service

Sunday Evening Contemporary Service & Dinner on January 7

On Sunday, January 7th, we will have a pot-luck dinner at 5:30 pm and then start our contemporary worship service at 6:00 pm. Tiffany is making enough chicken enchiladas for everyone, so just bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share if you are able. If you are out and about and not able to bring anything, please come anyway! There will be lots of food.

We will hold a potluck dinner and special contemporary service once a month, on the first Sunday of every month at 6:00 pm. We will also serve Communion at this service. This is a great opportunity to invite friends, neighbors and co-workers to our church.

Financial Freedom



What if you could be debt-free with an emergency fund of 3–6 months of expenses saved, all while investing for retirement and planning for your family's future? Sound impossible? It's not! With Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University class, you CAN take control of your money. Anyone who has attended this class in the past may attend for FREE. Also, scholarships are available for newcomers.

If you're interested in learning more about the class, message me (Tiffany George, 573-202-9332), because we're offering this class here at the church just for you starting January 7th at 6:30pm. Classes will run on Sunday evenings at 6:30 pm in January and February.



Dear Friends in Christ,
 Thanks to all of you for your generous donations of food and financial aid to the pantry, as well as the wonderful volunteers who help us distribute the food.

We feel truly Blessed to have such good neighbors who share our desire to help others who need this food to feed their families.

Thank you for your continued help. May God richly Bless all of you.

Respectfully yours, *Eldon Food Pantry*

THANK YOU



I would like to say thank you to everyone who gave towards the staff Christmas gift. We used the money you gave us on our vacation to Denver, and took the girls tubing and skiing. Thank you very much for your generosity. Pastor Steve



Men's Breakfast

The men's fellowship breakfast meets on the first and third Saturdays of each month from 8:00 – 9:00 am at the Mustang Grill. Our January dates are the 6th and the 20th. This is a good opportunity to introduce friends to our church in a non-church environment.

Baby Grace

Interested in helping with one of our church's outreach ministries in 2018? Please consider Baby Grace! Baby Grace meets on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm. There are a number of ways to help, from making refreshments to putting together gift bags to being available to talk with moms. We are also accepting donations of baby clothes and hangers for baby or young children's clothes now. Call or text Erin Svoboda for more information or to sign up to help (573-378-8323).



Scholarships

WOW Scholarships

The WOW youth conference is one of the few times when youth unplug from all of the distractions in their life and open themselves up to hearing God speak to them. Each year the youth have come home from the Conference feeling spiritually refreshed and closer to God. We are looking for donations to go towards scholarships for the youth. If you would like to sponsor a youth, or give towards the WOW scholarship fund, please mark your checks or envelopes with "WOW Youth" in the memo line.

Ride To Church



We have someone living in the Eldon Nursing Home who would like to come to our church if she had a ride for the 10:30am service. If you would be willing to give her a ride—even just one or two Sundays a month, please contact Pastor Steve.

Online Giving

Online giving is an easy way to make sure your donations to our church and outreach ministries continue on Sundays that you are not able to attend church. To give electronically, simply click on the QR code on the back of the bulletin or go to the church website www.eldonumc.org and click on online giving.

Church Christmas Ornament



There are still a few Christmas ornaments left that have our church's picture on them. The price is \$5 each and can be purchased here in the Church office. This makes a nice gift for anyone who has ever had a connection with our church.

Apple Butter



There are still a few jars of Apple Butter left in the coffee room. Jars are \$5 each, and proceeds go towards our new Church Improvement fund.

Thank you

A big thank you to my Eldon UMC family. I really do appreciate all the Christmas gifts I received last month. I am blessed to have such great people to work for!

God Bless, *Melinda Sucha & family*



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ABKUKKAH _____

DHAIABO _____

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IHCMALA _____

Answers: Joel, Micah, Habakkuk, Obadiah, Nahum, Hosea, Zephaniah, Jonah, Haggai, Amos, Zechariah, Malachi; Kindness

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	 1 Office Closed	2	3	4 9:00 am Pastor meeting	5	6 8:00 am Men's Fellowship Breakfast @ Mustang Grill
9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 5:30 pm Potluck Supper 6:00 pm Contemporary Worship 6:30 pm FPU	7 9:00 am Food Pantry	8	9 6:30 pm Baby Grace	10	11	12 13
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