

November 28, 2021

CENTENNIAL NEWS

★ Centennial UMC St. Anthony Park Campus ★
Five Year Anniversary Celebration ★

December 12th, 2021, 11am-12:30pm



SAP Five-Year Anniversary Celebration: Sleigh Rides in Langford Park

December 12 | 11am-12:30pm | There will be sleigh rides, crafts for kids, fire pits, a self-serve Keurig bar and a Christmas family photo opportunity - suggested donation of \$10-\$20 per family will be given to Youth Missions. You can also bring donations of Hats and Mittens for Church and Society.

Volunteers will be needed to help keep things running smoothly - sign up: [CLICK HERE](#)

• • GET CONNECTED • •

This is a copy of our Email Newsletter, all links referred to can be found at www.centennialumc.org when you click on the button that says "Upcoming Church Events."

You can also find information on our website about Small Groups, Care Teams, Service Opportunities, Kids & Youth Activities, Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, Adult Music Groups, and other Support.



Join us for our Sunday Worship services:

Both campuses are reopened for in person worship - 9:30am at Roseville campus, 10:00am at SAP campus.

Along with group meetings and other services if approved and scheduled through the church office.

Preaching this week:

Roseville Campus: Michael Webster, Carol Johnson, and Rev. Pimpinan Sijabat

St Anthony Park: Pastor Whitney Sheridan

• TOP ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS •

Senior Pastor search comment request. Thank you all for participating in the recent listening sessions about the search for the new senior pastor at Centennial. For those of you unable to participate, you still have the opportunity to provide your comments. You may click on the link provided, register your comments and submit your responses electronically [\[CLICK HERE\]](#). There are 5 questions the SPRC is asking you to provide your comments. 1. What keeps you coming to Centennial? 2. What are your dreams for the future of Centennial? 3. What is important to you in the role of the next Senior Pastor to honor the past and move us toward the dreams for the future? 4. What are your concerns about going through this journey? 5. What else would you like us to know or consider? Register your comments via the online survey, or, if you prefer, send your responses to these questions in an email to Alan O'Donnell at arodonnell@hotmail.com or Jerry Matchett at matchett.jerry@gmail.com, co-chairs of the Staff-Parish Relations Committee, preferably by Monday December 6.

Join Centennial Friends at Black Nativity at Penumbra Theater: A beloved holiday tradition is born anew. Hughes' masterwork returns, including new lead vocals and choreography, backed by the Kingdom Life Church Choir. Attend along with members of Centennial for Racial Justice on December 16, 7:30pm. You can either purchase your own tickets directly from Penumbra Theater, or reimburse for tickets already bought through the group. There will be limited seats so please sign up soon if you plan to join us [\[CLICK HERE\]](#)! Penumbra will require proof of vaccination from all audience members. Children under age 12 and ticket holders who are not vaccinated must provide proof of a negative COVID-19 PCR test result received within 72 hours prior to entry. All audience members are required to be masked inside the venue regardless of vaccination status. For other dates and ticket information check out the website here: <https://penumbratheatre.org/event/black-nativity-4>

Snow Emergency--Where to Check: If worship or Sunday morning activities are being cancelled because of winter weather, we will notify the congregation via Facebook and congregational email. If activities other times of the week are being cancelled, the participants of those groups will be notified by their leadership. Snow will come eventually...

• CENTENNIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS •

Mission Committee News - Centennial UMC has a long history of supporting international missionaries. For many years Centennial, through the mission committee, supported the Bartes and the Graners in their ministry with prayers and financial assistance. In 2021 the Bartes (serving in Laos) and the Graners (serving in the Dominican Republic) retired. The mission committee is considering beginning a new covenant relationship with one or two missionaries who serve internationally with the United Methodist Church. In an effort to engage the full support and interest of the congregation, the mission committee welcomes questions, comments, or suggestions. Please feel free to reach out to any of the mission committee members or directly to Eric Bjorklund, Director of Missions, ebjorklund@centennialumc.org, Mary Hopkins mwhop@aol.com, or Randy Oelschlager randyoels@gmail.com.

UMCOR RELIEF EFFORTS - As the humanitarian relief and development arm of The United Methodist Church, the United Methodist Committee on Relief assists United Methodists and churches to become involved globally in direct ministry to persons in need. With all that has transpired around the world, please visit www.UMCOR.org and consider a donation to help various national and international relief efforts.

Traveling with our Ancestors, an Advent Devotional: In this new Advent devotional, popular author, pastor, and teacher Sandhya Rani Jha calls on our spiritual ancestors – biblical and modern day – to offer wisdom and direction for the weeks leading up to Jesus' birth. On Saturdays, Jha invites a contemporary "ancestor" such as Rosa Parks, Cesar Chavez, and Father Greg Boyle to help us reflect on how we can be better ancestors for those who come after us. Each entry includes an Advent scripture, reflection, and prayer. Pick up a copy of the devotional at SAP or Roseville.

Traveling with our Ancestors mid-week check in: For those who can make it, we'll host a mid-week Zoom check-in on Wednesdays at noon, during Advent, to reflect and share your thoughts with others. Contact Pastor Jen janderson@centennialumc.org for Zoom link.

UMW Christmas Event - via ZOOM | 10:00 am, Saturday, December 4 | There will be a time when you may share your favorite Christmas Creche and its meaning to you. There will be devotions, music and a brief business meeting. You may join Zoom a little early or stay later for a time of visiting. All are welcome to join us on Zoom. [\[CLICK HERE\]](#) Questions: Bev Montain 612-805-4497.

Centennial members make a difference! Susan Blakeslee was recognized on a recent Habitat for Humanity blog for her ongoing contributions to the organization. Read about her experiences at [Susan Shares Her Regular Crew Experiences \(tchabitat.org\)](#) If you are interested in becoming a part of Holy Hammers, CUMC's Habitat group, contact Jack Griffin jacklgriffin@hotmail.com.

Additional Need: A recent request came from Fairview Alternative High School for any winter gear, including gloves, mittens and warm socks. Young adult size coats (gently used) and other items would also be welcome. A collection box will be set up near the tree for Hats and Mittens. Thank you for your help in keeping kids warm this winter. Questions? Contact Sally McCarville 651-226-3871 or Anita Mayfield 651-707-3228.

Give a Little Gift – UMW: A collection bin is located at the Connection Point for donations to the “Give a Little Gift” for Walker Home. Items will be collected until December 12. Some suggested unwrapped donation ideas: Men and women's personal items such as warm socks/slippers, hats, gloves/mittens, flannel, scarf: DVD Movies: CDs: Holiday decorative items: Shawls or fleece blankets: Inspirational or Religious books: Holiday candies – regular or sugar free options: Crossword puzzle/word search books: Crafting supplies – markers, water color paints, coloring books, colored pencils, etc.. Questions - Contact Carol Johnson 612-719-4107 or Debbie Wright 651-210-0491.

Warm items for kids: Church and Society is working with Hats and Mittens to provide children in the community with warm items during the cold Minnesota winters. Hats and Mittens is an all-volunteer 501c3 organization founded in Minnesota in 1996. You can donate by dropping off hats and mittens (waterproof preferred) by the Christmas tree at the east entrance of the Roseville campus or in the decorated box in the SAP entryway. Collection dates are the first through third Sundays of Advent (November 28 – December 12). Or you can send your donation to Centennial United Methodist Church with Hats and Mittens on the memo line by December 19. A \$10 donation will buy a child a mitten and hat set.

UMW Pecans — DELAYED: Our Georgia pecan company has experienced a major delay in shipping our pecans. For persons who ordered you will be notified when they are available for pickup. There will be a few bags of chocolate covered pecans for sale upon their arrival. The UMW appreciates your patience. Questions: Peggy Rhodes 612-963-7659.

BAG OF BOOKS — Sale: The UMW has bagged 10 books in brown grocery bags for \$5 each and placed them under the coat rack in the east hallway. A money container is located at the Welcome Center. The books are bagged by categories. The UMW will appreciate having you select a bag. Questions: Amy Mammen 651-253-5520

Food Shelf Volunteers Needed! Keystone Community Services needs your support! Our food shelves are busier than ever, and we are in great need of volunteers! It is only through the help of our wonderful volunteers that Keystone is able to continue to meet the needs of the community. Both our Midway and Rice Street Food Shelves are actively seeking afternoon volunteers to greet participants, pack groceries, and sort donations. The afternoon volunteer shift is from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday. To keep everyone safe, all staff, volunteers, and participants are required to wear masks. Interested in helping out? Please fill out a volunteer application at keystoneservices.org! Have additional questions? Please email volunteer@keystoneservices.org.

Giving Remotely: We continue to value your gifts during this time, which allow staff and ministry to continue on in creative ways. There are multiple ways to give while you are away from the church building. Go to the website at <http://centennialumc.org/index.php/go-serve/giving>. And yes, we are happy to receive your contribution via the postal service. Our address is Centennial UMC, 1524 County Road C2 West, Roseville MN 55113. Thank you for helping us keep ministry strong.

Text the amount of your donation to:
844-945-2571
Then follow the directions on
your phone to complete the donation.

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would like to
give online.
Thank You.



All Are
Welcome

• God At Work •

Photos from the November Family Zone painting event.

