



# Together

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## Pancreatic Cancer Awareness

**Month: November**

Raising pancreatic cancer awareness can be done as an individual or as a group all year long, but it is especially important during Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month in November.

Just 5% of patients survive – it has the worst survival rate of all 22 common cancers. Generally speaking, pancreatic cancer receives just a little over 1% of all cancer research funding. It affects men and women equally and for those that are diagnosed in time for surgery, their chances of surviving are increased tenfold.

This is the time when we have the most voices speaking out about pancreatic cancer. I ask each of you to learn more about ways you can participate, so you can help us raise awareness and funds during Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month.

- Brent Higdem



OPERATING BUDGET SUMMARY FOR OCTOBER 2016			
	2016 YTD	2016 YTD	2015 YTD
	Actual	Budget	Actual
<b>Operating Income</b>	688,701	669,167	663,728
<b>Operating Expenses</b>			
<b>Staffing</b>	357,315	359,886	367,399
<b>Office &amp; Facilities</b>	210,847	210,282	220,531
<b>Programs</b>	23,540	25,000	19,606
<b>Apportionments</b>	75,757	73,608	66,350
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	667,459	668,776	673,886
<b>Net Income from Operations</b>	21,242	391	-10,158
<b>Building Mortgage Fund Revenue</b>	19,089		37,355



Contemporary Service 9:00

The Reverend Lynn Kilbourne

Sunday School 10:00



Argenta Service 10:30

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## ...from our Pastor

December 26 rolls around each year and many of us let out a sigh of relief that the Holiday season is done. With all the build up to Christmas and busyness with the season, some years it feels like we just survive or make it through Christmas. We light candles signifying hope, peace, joy, and love, but in the midst of our planning, decorating, buying, and gatherings those gifts seem foreign or distant, at best.



In the classic Dr. Seuss story, How the Grinch Stole Christmas, we read about a grumpy Grinch who tries to steal Christmas from every Who in Who-ville. He steals their presents, their food, their decorations, and their musical instruments, only to discover that Christmas was about more than these things.

Join us in worship this Advent as we prepare our hearts for Christmas as we name the thieves of Christmas hope, peace, joy, and love, and reclaim these gifts for our lives.



Rev. Lynn Kilbourne

## from our Minister of Youth and Families >>>



Steven Carr

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>&gt; <b>Sunday, November 27th</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Youth from 5:00-7:00 - Bible Study – "Advent - Why celebrate the season?" - Youth Snack Time 6:30-7:00 - Games and Fellowship</li></ul></li><li>&gt; <b>Wednesday, November 30th</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- No Soul Café</li><li>- <b>Youth 6:15-7:30</b> – "Advent – Who is this child/King?"</li><li>- Waypoint Practice 7:30-8:30</li></ul></li><li>&gt; <b>Sunday, December 4th</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Parent Thank You Dinner – 5:30 to 6:30</li></ul></li><li>&gt; <b>Wednesday, December 7th</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Soul Café 5:30 – Chick-fil-a</li><li>- <b>Youth 6:15-7:30</b> – "Advent – Let us Celebrate!"</li><li>- Waypoint Practice 7:30-8:30</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>&gt; <b>Sunday, December 11, 2016</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Youth Christmas Pajama Party</li><li>- Progressive Dinner – 5 to 8- Appetizers, Main Dinner, Desserts, Silly Santa exchange</li></ul></li></ul>
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### Upcoming Events:

- > **December 10** – Salvation Army Bell Ringing at JFK Kroger
- > **December 14** – Senior High serve dinner at Salvation Army
- > **January 15-16** – Youth Lockout
- > **February 24-26** – Veritas in Rogers, AR – Cost: \$100
- > **March 20-24** – Spring Break – All schools
- > **April 9** – Travs games begin

## from our Minister of Children and Families >>>

During the Advent Season, starting this Sunday, Nov. 27th, Pastor Lynn will be teaching the series, "Who Stole Christmas?". To kick-off this series, we will have a church-wide Grinch night! We would like to emphasize that this as a family event and includes the entire congregation. **We will have a showing of the cartoon version of The Grinch, followed by a photo booth with the Grinch, a hot chocolate, a Grinch ornament making booth, and other opportunities.** This will be a really fun evening to help us learn how to not let anyone steal our Christmas spirit and we would love it if all of you could come. **The date for this event is Friday night, December 2nd at 6:30.**



**PARENTS' NIGHT OUT** is Friday, December 9th from 6:00-9:00pm. We have to have an RSVP to know how much food and supervision to provide. **Please RSVP to Laura Kent (lkent@nlrfumc.org) no later than Wednesday, December 7th.**

The cost is \$10 a child or \$30 max. You can pay in advance or at the door, but all kids need to RSVP by WEDNESDAY, Dec. 7th. Please bring your child's favorite snack that they can share during the movie. If your child has an allergy, please inform us as well as provide a snack that they are able to eat. If you have a youth, we would love for them to help supervise! They will not have to pay. Kids can wear their jammies and bring a sleeping bag for comfort if they would like.



Laura Kent

### November 27

Financial Assist

Steven Strode & Bob Jolly

### December 4th

Ann Phillips & Dora Bradley

Van Driver:

David Barnett

Otto Thiemann

WayPoint Ushers:

Duke & Linee Ophof, Kenny & Allison Owens

Randy & Connie Hutchinson, Bill & Margaret Richter



## Hanging of the Green

Join us for this message of hope, love, joy and peace presented through music, drama, visuals and the Word.

### WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

give warmth.  
bring change.

#### NEW Toboggans, Gloves, Socks, & Blankets.

Goal: 100 items of each  
Includes items for men, women, & children

NOV. 1<sup>ST</sup> - NOV. 27<sup>TH</sup>

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT NOV. 28TH  
BROADWAY BRIDGE PROJECT EVENT



GLOBAL MINISTRIES  
The United Methodist Church

[umcmision.org/give](http://umcmision.org/give)

United Methodists share God's love  
through giving on UMC #GivingTuesday  
Nov. 29, 2016.

Give light • Give love • Give life

One hundred percent of your gifts through  
The Advance changes lives around the world.

We have Black Friday, then Cyber  
Monday. Don't forget about #Giving  
Tuesday!

On November 29th, United Methodists  
will once again come together to support  
the work of The Advance projects and  
missionaries on UMC #GivingTuesday.



# ...events for the weeks of Nov. 27 - Dec. 11

## SUNDAY, November 27

9 & 11 Kid's Praise  
 9:00 WayPoint Service\*  
 10:00 Sunday School\*  
 10:30 Argenta Service\*  
 11:00 **HANGING OF THE GREEN!**  
 Sanctuary Service\*  
 5:00 UMY NextLevel

## MONDAY, November 28

1:30 UMW Leadership Team  
 4:00 Broadway Bridge Project  
 7:00 Scout Meetings

## TUESDAY, November 29

6:30 Bible Study w/ Pastor Brent  
 5:00 Body & Soul Fitness Class

## WEDNESDAY, November 30

9:00 CEC Storytime  
 9:30 Quilters  
 5:00 JuBellation Ringers Rehearsal  
 6:00 UMY NextLevel  
 6:15 WOW Group\*  
 6:30 Wacky Wednesday  
 6:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal\*  
 6:30 Chapel Service\*

## THURSDAY, December 1

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**  
 10:00 Bible Study w/ Pastor Brent  
 5:00 Body & Soul Fitness Class  
 7:00 Faith Ringers

## FRIDAY, December 2

6:30 **Family Movie Night! (How the Grinch Stole Christmas)**

## SATURDAY, December 3

8:00 Body & Soul Fitness Class

## SUNDAY, December 4

9 & 11 Kid's Praise  
 9:00 WayPoint Service\*  
 9:00 UMW Mini Bazaar  
 10:00 Sunday School\*  
 10:30 Argenta Service\*  
 11:00 Sanctuary Service\*  
 12:15 UMW Unit Meeting  
 3:30 Confirmation Class Meeting  
 5:00 UMY NextLevel

## WEDNESDAY, December 7

9:00 CEC Storytime  
 9:30 Quilters  
 5:00 Soul Café—Chick-fil-a!  
 5:00 JuBellation Ringers Reh.  
 6:00 UMY NextLevel  
 6:15 WOW Group\*  
 6:30 Wacky Wednesday  
 6:30 Chancel Choir Reh.\*  
 6:30 Chapel Service\*

## THURSDAY, December 8

10:00 Bible Study w/ Pastor Brent  
 5:00 Body & Soul Fitness Class  
 6:30 Scouts Roundtable Meeting  
 7:00 FaithRingers Rehearsal

## SATURDAY, December 10

8:00 Body & Soul Fitness Class  
 9:00 Choir Rehearsal\*

## SUNDAY, December 11

9 & 11 Kid's Praise  
 9:00 WayPoint Service\*  
 10:00 Sunday School\*  
 10:30 Argenta Service\*  
 11:00 Sanctuary Service:  
**CHRISTMAS CANTATA!\***  
 4:00 Missions Team Meeting  
 5:00 UMY NextLevel

## **Let Us Pray >>>**

"In every thing give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."  
 I Thessalonians 5:18



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