



The Aldersgate Experience

Monthly News of Aldersgate United Methodist Church

November 2016

Dear Friend in the Messiah,

The next 60 days bring so much along the calendar journey. The next 60 days also give you and me great opportunity for growth and connection in faith. Consider:

1) All-Saints Sunday Worship, Nov. 6 (8, 9:30 and 11) — We've experienced much loss in the way of physical death in this faith community during the last year. This worship opportunity gives us a chance to "inventory" in a way the magnitude of that loss, but even more so, All-Saints Sunday gives you and me the opportunity to offer a resounding and collective "Thank You!" to God for the gifts of the lives we remember. Their life gift continues to give and guide us, even as they now are clothed by Christ's grace in Glory. Those with whom Aldersgate Church's pastoral office was engaged leading to or at the time of their death will be named, and a bell of thanksgiving tolled. As has been our custom, those present may lift up names of friends and loved ones who have died in the last year for similar life celebration.

2) Consecration Sunday movement — Nov. 6, 13, and Consecration Sunday, Nov. 20 — This is our annual movement inviting God to grow our Attitude of Gratitude and to find us more faithful in the stewardship (care and use) of God's bounteous gifts bestowed on us: Our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness. Each Consecration movement finds us in need of self-assessment toward greater growth. After many years of strong attendance and in more recent years significant levels of giving growth, attendance has flagged since the beginning of summer, and giving has dropped as well. While our stewardship of service, witness and prayer appear healthy as evidenced in many ministries, our Consecration reflection in November 2016 could be decisive for our ministry faithfulness. Please hold Aldersgate Church in your prayers, and inviting the Holy Spirit to guide your spiritual disciplines of worship attendance, of Tithes and Offerings, and in the care-taking and use of all God's gifts to you and yours.

3) Advent — The Season of Advent in which we celebrate God's decision to come to us in the flesh and form of a baby, the Christ Child, begins Sunday, Nov. 27 and continues each Sunday to Christmas. Our first week of Advent this year Nov. 27, features morning worship and the very popular outdoor Living Nativity at 6 p.m. It's a wonderful event spearheaded by Jodie and Todd Taylor. The Living Nativity provides a festive focus for the reason of the season, and it also gives great opportunity for us to offer easy and low-key invites to friends, family, and neighbors who may not have a church connection or a faith relationship with Christ. Seize the moment!

4) Confirmation Journey — The 2016-17 Confirmation Journey cycle for teens at Aldersgate to explore the Christian faith and to personally consider the power of the Gospel for their living and for the world kicks off in December with the first group session. The Journey will include many group sessions, a weekend retreat, service and faith-growth trips/experiences, and one-on-one mentor relationships. Youth decide then on re-profession of faith in Christ, a first-time profession of faith in Christ, as well as whether they will formally unite with Christ's Church. Confirmation Sunday typically is held the same day as Pentecost (the birth of the Church by the power of the Holy Spirit), which this year will be June 4. Pray for this process, those leading it, and the youth and their families involved in the 2016-17 Confirmation Journey!

5) Last but not least, a word of celebration to all who took part in our Emergency Responder Celebration Fall-Fest. We were blessed with picture-perfect weather, and God truly did help us live out the long-standing Mission of this congregation, "Reaching with the heart of God for the lives of our community." A special thanksgiving to God for Jodie Dodson whose organizational gifts were pivotal to the significance of this event celebrating the women and men who serve altruistically in the manner of Jesus.

Blessings in the Way of our Lord ...

Pastor Troy

WORSHIP MINISTRY



Choir

The choir has started rehearsals for the Christmas Cantata “The Silence and the Sound.” It is not too late to join us, but if you are interested, please join us by the beginning of November. Holiday musicals are always a great time to give choir a try! The Cantata will be offered on Sunday, December 11th at 3 pm.

If childcare is needed during Monday rehearsals, we will provide it! For more information, contact Sheri at worshipdirector@aldersgate.net or call the church office at 737-7923 x100.

Big Thanks to the Choir and Praise Team

I wanted to offer a big thank you to those of you from the choir and praise team who offered your time and talents in making FALL FEST a success. I shared with Jodie Dodson, our fall fest coordinator, that I talk all the time to the praise team that when we worship with song, if we aren't singing with a heart for Jesus, or singing to glorify God, then our music is not worship, it's just music. Nothing wrong with that, but it's different than “worshipping” through music. In my eyes, it would have been the same for Fall Fest. Had we taken Jesus out of the event, it would have been nothing more than a carnival. Again, nothing wrong with that, but that wasn't what we were about. In my HUMBLE opinion, FALL FEST was reaching out to the community with the heart of Jesus. THAT IS WHAT YOU DID by offering your time and talents in His name. Thank you to all, but I say a special thank you to those I am in ministry with. Especially to Joe Purdom; you offer so much of your time and talent through sound ministry. Thanks Joe for always being there!

Jesse Tree Ornaments and Hanging of the Greens

The Jesse Tree is the Christmas tree that we use in the Lobby outside of the sanctuary during Christmas and Advent. This tree is adorned with handmade ornaments that have been created by our church family. The ornaments are Christian symbols that remind us of the birth of Jesus, who was a descendant of Jesse.

Handouts are being distributed with pictures of these symbols and the meaning behind each one so that the tree can be filled with ornaments this year. We are hoping to have the ornaments finished by the hanging of the greens on Nov 26th.

On that day, at 3 pm, please consider joining us as we decorate the church for the Advent and Christmas season. We will meet in the sanctuary and each person will be directed in what they can do to help! If you have questions, please email Sheri at worshipdirector@aldersgatechurch.net.

Looking Ahead

Here are a few events to put on your calendar as we move into the next few weeks and months.

November	December/January 1
November 6th : All Saints Sunday	December 11th: The Silence and the Sound 3 pm
November 22nd: Consecration Sunday	December 24th: Christmas Eve Worship 5:30, 7:30, and 11:00 pm
November 26th: Hanging of the Greens 4 to 6pm	December 25th: Christmas Day Worship - One Combined Worship Service at 10 am
November 27th: Advent Begins!	January 1st : New Years Day Worship - One Combined Worship Service at 10 am
November 27th: Outdoor Nativity 6 pm	



Trailblazer Ministries News

Sharing the love of Christ with children Birth -5th Grade

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Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Each child who receives a shoebox is invited to enroll in The Greatest Journey, a 12-lesson discipleship program where they learn how to faithfully follow Christ and share Him with others. If you feel led, pick-up an empty shoebox outside the FLC and fill it for a child in need. We encourage you to make this a family mission project for the holidays. Return filled boxes the week of November 13th. For more information on Samaritan's Purse, what to pack in a shoebox or to track the journey of your box, visit samaritanspurse.org/occ.

Children's Meal of Thanks

Celebrating the Thanksgiving Season by recognizing our parents, children in K-5th Grades will hold their Annual Meal of Thanks on November 20. During Adventure Club, Kindergarten—3rd Graders make decorations, placemats and set the tables in the FLC. Our Summit Seekers (4th and 5th Graders) under the direction of the leaders, cook a full meal including turkey, all the fixings, and dessert. Parents and siblings of the children are invited to dinner at 4 pm. It is just one small way that the children can celebrate their families and together thank the Lord for all the Blessings in their lives.

Children's Christmas Eve Musical ~ The Christmas Cupcake

Children (Kindergarten through 5th grade), join us for a fun Christmas musical, "The Christmas Cupcake!" Our musical this year will explore the most amazing and sweetest story ever told. We'll learn about honesty, caring and sharing, teamwork and how important it is to remember what Christmas is really all about! So put on your baking aprons and join us for "The Christmas Cupcake!"

For more information, contact Kristin Hoover kamhoover@comcast.net or Jen Benson jenbenson101@gmail.com.

In addition to learning the songs during Sunday School, there will be practices in the Sanctuary. November Rehearsal Times:

November 6: 1-2 pm
November 13: 12-2 pm
November 20: 1-2 pm

November Focus ~Honor

In **Romans 12:10**, we read, "**Love one another deeply. Honor others more than yourselves.**" (NirV) As kids work with this verse, we hope they understand that honor includes seeing others how God sees them. When kids start doing that, they will be more willing to show God's love to others and put their needs ahead of their own.

Dates at a Glance

Every Wednesday 6:30-8 pm WUW4Kids (Not held Nov 23)

November 6	2-4 pm: Adventure Club/Summit Seekers
Week of November 13	Shoeboxes Due
November 20	2-4 pm: Adventure Club/Summit Seekers followed by Meal of Thanks
November 24	Happy Thanksgiving!

Do you want to know more about Trailblazer Ministries?

Contact Jodie Dodson at 737-7923 x107 or email childrensdirector@aldersgatechurch.net



Hard to believe we are already into the month of November! This time of year always goes by so quickly. The preschoolers will be eagerly anticipating the Christmas holidays, in just a few short weeks!

Please lift up our preschool families in prayer, that they may know and receive the gift of God's son. A few of our families are struggling with some significant issues: loss of jobs, terminal illness, recent diagnoses for their child, challenging developmental delays, separation and divorce, just to name a few. We are privileged to walk along-side these children and families and ask for continued prayer in their lives, that they may feel God's love and grace. Thank you.

Parenting Workshop

Please join us for a parenting workshop on Thursday, November 10th from 6-8 pm, in the Family Life Center. Lisa Murray will give us the basics every parent should know on behavior management.

If you haven't attended one of these workshops before, I highly recommend it. Parenting can be challenging, but having the right 'tools' and support can really make a difference in the behavior we see at home (and at school). The teachers have attended these workshops and practice the strategies and techniques in their classrooms. Come check it out!

There is a \$5 fee for the workshop. Snacks will be served. Please RSVP to Kathleen by October 28th. Thank you.

Coupon Books

The preschool will be selling 'SaveAround' coupon books again this year. They will be available before and after the 9:30 service outside the Family Life Center for the first 3 Sundays in November. They will be sold for \$25 each. Thank you!

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday!

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality." Romans 12:12-13 (NIV)



Dear Aldersgate Church,

Thank you so much for the cards and food you sent during our time of grief and loss with the unexpected passing of Jason's father. Through our pain, we felt your love, support, and prayers. We are so blessed to have such a caring congregation not only during this difficult time, but all the time.

Our love and admiration,
Jason, Kristin, Joshua and Gabriel Gardner



November 2016 Prayer Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Pray for our Pastor, Troy Howell	2 Lift up in prayer those serving on the Meals Ministry Team	3 Pray for all victims of Hurricane Matthew. Haiti has 1.4 million people in urgent need (UN)	4 Pray for those transporting the men from Daystar to Sunday Worship	5 Pray for the Ladies' Christmas Brunch, sharing the Good News
6 ALL SAINTS DAY Thanks be to God, for all the saints before us, a great cloud of witnesses	7 Pray for all parents, pray for God's wisdom, guidance and heart	8 ELECTION DAY Pray for God's discernment as we vote for our leaders today	9 Pray for Bishop Park and District Superintendent Reverend Robison	10 Pray for Christians in China, as some have to wait up to 10 years to own a Bible	11 VETERANS DAY Pray for our country's Veterans	12 Praise God 11/11/1966 the Methodist Church & the Evangelical United Brethren Church merged
13 Praise God as these two churches united to form the United Methodist Church	14 Pray for the Hearts & Hands Club as they support cancer patients	15 Pray for the victims of the Syrian war. More than 8 million are children. (UNICEF)	16 Pray for those grieving as they approach this season without their loved one	17 Pray for the homeless, living on the streets in midst of the wintry weather	18 Pray for Aldersgate's Mature Methodists (M&Ms)	19 Pray for our Middle School Youth during their weekend retreat
20 Pray for our Sunday School Teachers	21 Pray for the Ludhiana Christian Medical College in India, a ministry of the Susq Conference	22 Pray for the farmers, as their season of planting and harvest is over	23 Pray for the men and women in Bethesda Mission	24 THANKSGIVING Give Thanks to God for all our Blessings	25 Praise for Live Oak UMC in LA who opened their doors to assist 400 over 3 days of flooding	26 Pray for a safe journey for those traveling this holiday weekend
27 1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT May we prepare our hearts for Jesus Christ the Messiah	28 Pray for the Usher Ministry, as they assist us gathering for worship	29 Pray for those unable to remain living at home, and now in Long Term Care facilities	30 Pray for the Aldersgate Church staff			



Aldersgate Student Ministry

Sheryl Behr, 717.737.7923 x105, YouthDirector@aldersgatechurch.net

Youth Meetings This Month

- 11/6: NO YOUTH SUNDAY EVE: Battleball
- 11/13: Youth Sunday Eve with Meal!
- 11/18-20: Middle School Retreat
- 11/20: Youth Sunday Eve for High School Only (MS @ retreat)
- 11/27: NO YOUTH SUNDAY EVE: Living Nativity

Battleball Fall 2016: 11/6 @ CHUM – Sunday, November 6th 12:30-8:30 pm. The tournament and Worship Night will be held at Camp Hill UMC. We meet at AUMC at 12:30 pm and carpool to Camp Hill UMC (417 S. 22nd Street). The tournament begins at 1:30pm. The Worship Night begins at 6:15 and ends near 8pm. We will be back to Aldersgate around 8:30 pm.

DUE 10/30:

- a. **Payment of \$12, cash or checks payable to 'Aldersgate UMC'**
- b. **Salt-n-Light Waiver**
- c. **2016-17 Parent Consent**

Parent Gathering 11/15 from 7-8pm - The Youth Director invites parents and other interested parties for a town hall style meeting on our youth. We will discuss current schedules and goals for our Youth group, and lots more. We all desire to introduce our Youth to the faith walk that we follow. This is an opportunity to ask questions, provide insights and more to help us do that best. Join us in the Youth Room.

Middle School Retreat @ Joy El 11/18-20 – THRIVE - It's time to stop just existing--it's time to renew your zeal for living and THRIVE in a life designed by God especially for you. God wants more for you than anything this world can offer. He desires a deeper, richer relationship with you. Join us at the Momentum Retreat where you can get away from life's busyness to hear God and learn to follow Him. Grow closer to your Creator in His creation. Make new friends and connect with old ones as we seek God together.

DUE 10/30:

- a. **Payment of \$85, checks payable to 'Aldersgate UMC'**
- b. **Joy El Camper Registration**
- c. **2016-17 Parent Consent**

Confirmation Journey 2017 – Every 2 years Aldersgate's pastor leads a Confirmation Journey experience for youth to explore the Christian faith and practical life connections as part of an intentional time to decide for themselves to commit to Christ as Savior and Lord. The journey began with an information session on 10/23. If you missed it or were unable to attend please contact Pastor Troy as soon as possible if you wish to be confirmed in 2017.

New Instagram and Website! Follow the Youth on Instagram "youth.director" and on the new Youth Website <http://youth.aldersgatechurch.net>.

Long Term Forecast

Cookie Walk Fundraiser: 12/11 – Get your cookie recipes ready to go! Youth are asked to prepare 5 to 10 dozen cookies to help raise funds for Youth activities! More details to come!

Youth Christmas Party 12/18 – The annual Youth Christmas Party will be held on Sunday 12/18. A meal will be served that night. More details to come.



Surviving the Holidays for

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Those Grieving the Death of a Loved One

"Tis the Season to be Jolly"

For many individuals who have experienced the death of a loved one the holiday season is a difficult time to cope with. If you find you are not looking forward to the holidays in the midst of your grief, please consider joining us for a one time seminar "Surviving the Holidays" to be held on Wednesday November 16th at 6:30 pm at Aldersgate Church. This two hour seminar has been developed by GriefShare to help individuals cope with the loss of a loved one over the holiday season.

During this time you will have the opportunity to watch a 40 minute video filled with practical tips on how to survive the holidays. You will have the opportunity to listen to others from the group who are dealing with grief this holiday season. You will also receive your own Holiday Survival Guide which includes daily devotionals and practices to assist you over the next thirty days.

One individual from a previous Surviving the Holidays event shared the following on the GriefShare website: "It gives 'permission' to take care of myself above perceived social obligations." For additional information on the "Surviving the Holidays" program, go directly to their website and view their promotional video at

<http://www.griefshare.org/holidays/event/>

Please consider joining us as we share practical tips on how to survive the holidays in the midst of grief. Call or email me to register for this one time event, and receive a personal "Holiday Survival Guide."

Surviving the Holidays - Grieving the Death of a Loved One

Wednesday November 16th

6:30 pm - 8 pm

Room 202

Please register today by calling Carol Diffenbaugh: 737-7923-ext. 104, or email at healthministries@verizon.net

Aldersgate Church is handicapped accessible with off street parking.

DivorceCare: Surviving the Holidays

In the past, the Christmas holiday season may have been a time of great anticipation and excitement... but this year, the prospect of facing the holidays without your mate may cause anxiety and dread. You are not alone. Here you can connect with support, encouragement and advice to survive the holidays. Join us for "DivorceCare: Surviving the Holidays" on Thursday, November 17th at 6:30pm in room 202 at Aldersgate Church. This is a one evening program to help you discover practical, stress-reducing ideas that will help you face the holiday season. This group event is FREE. You will watch a 40 minute video, receive a personal Holiday Survival Guide, and have the opportunity to hear from others who are dealing with a marital breakup this holiday season.

DivorceCare: Surviving the Holidays

Thursday, November 17th

6:30 pm - 8 pm

Aldersgate Church

Room 202



To register contact Carol Diffenbaugh at 737-7923 ext. 104 or email healthministries@aldersgatechurch.net

30th Annual Free Dental Day Friday, November 11, 2016



Doctors Friedman, Grater & Williams, and Dr. Larry Pepper from OMSI will offer free service to those in our community that do not have dental insurance and are in need for dental care. Services offered are cleaning, filling, or an extraction – which ever service is most needed.

Doors will open at 7:45 am and they will be taking patients on a first come, first served basis up until 1:00 pm at their office located at 4129 Locust Lane, Harrisburg PA 17109. Appointments will not be taken. Please call their office for more details at 717-657-3326.

Their offices will be closed to regular business on that day and will re-open on Monday, November 14th at 7:30 am.

New Hope Ministries

Thanksgiving Food Drive

New Hope is in need of the following items to distribute to families in our community so that they may have a traditional Thanksgiving dinner.

Needed Items:	Turkey Coupons for Free Turkey	Potatoes	Stuffing Mix
	Pies or supplies to make pies	Canned Vegetables	Canned Fruit
	Turkey Gravy (Canned or Mix)	Coffee or Tea Bags	Cranberry Sauce

Please bring your donations to the drop off box at the church by November 13th. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Wible 796-3103 or Wibfam@comcast.net

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Begin

It's more than just a box of gifts. It's the start of a discipleship program for all children who receive a shoebox. Be a part of spreading the love of Jesus Christ throughout the world through Operation Christmas Child. Pick up a shoebox outside the Sanctuary or the FLC. Fill the box and return the week of November 13th. A wonderful lesson on giving you can experience with your child, grandchild, niece or nephew.

Aldersgate's Church Conference, Sunday, Nov. 13, 2016

The annual all-congregation meeting of Aldersgate Church will be held at Aldersgate beginning at 6 p.m., Nov. 13, in the sanctuary. We begin with a time of worship in which our District Superintendent, Rev. Barry Robison, will share. Other United Methodist churches in the Mechanicsburg area will join us as well.

After the time of worship, each attending congregation will break out to areas of the building to conduct their respective annual Church Conference meeting. At the Church Conference, all members have voice and vote as reports such as the financial audit and membership are received. Additionally, the Lay Leadership Committee presents its report for ministry committee structure and leadership for 2017. The Church Conference also considers and votes on the Staff-Parish Relations Committee recommendation on the appointed pastor's compensation package for 2017.



Special Christmas Service For Those Grieving or Experiencing Hardships

Blue Christmas Service

If you or someone you know needs a solemn approach to Christmas this year because of grief, illness or hardship, please join us for a "Blue Christmas Worship Service" at

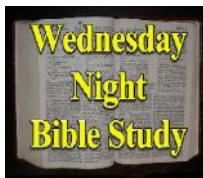
Young's United Methodist Church

7075 Wertzville Rd., Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

Sunday, December 4th at 3:00 pm

We understand Christmas may be a difficult time for you this year and invite you to join us for this special heartfelt Christmas service. This combined service of Aldersgate and Young's United Methodist Churches is open to all people, regardless of church affiliation. Directions to Young's UMC can be found at

<http://www.gb-gm-umc.org/youngsumc/directions.html>



What's Up Wednesday Schedule

Many of you are enjoying the delicious hot buffets served every Wednesday evening in the Family Life Center from 5:30 pm to 6:15pm. Several of the short term studies being offered on Wednesday evenings have already ended, with the two long term studies (Disciple I and Disciple IV) continuing.

The good news is, starting January 11th we will have a selection of very interesting short term studies for your consideration. Keep an eye out for the listing and registration form in the Sunday bulletin and on the church website, www.aldersgatechurch.net. Sign up early so your book/study guide can be ordered.

The November and December WUW Dinner Schedule is as follows:

We will continue to have meals every Wednesday in November, with the exception of Wednesday, November 23rd. No meal will be offered that evening.



The last WUW in 2016 will be offered on December 14. We will NOT be offering WUW meals on December 21 or 28 or on January 4. WUW meals and studies will resume on January 11, 2017.

So if you have not signed up for one of these exciting studies, hurry up and do so. You don't want to miss out!

Articles for the December 2016 Newsletter should be sent to the church office at secretary@aldersgatechurch.net by **November 15th**. Thank you.

LIVING NATIVITY



The Living Nativity program returns to Aldersgate on **Sunday, November 27th at 6:00 pm.** Join us outside the church for caroling to live music as we portray the manger scene of Jesus' birth with live animals and characters. We invite everyone to stay after the program ends to pet the animals and then come inside to enjoy hot chocolate and Christmas cookies. Just a reminder: this program is outside and lasts about 25 minutes, so dress for the weather, bring your camera and join us for this fun event.



WE NEED COOKIES!

We will need **COOKIE DONATIONS** for the day of the Live Nativity event. If you can donate a plate of cookies that day, please mark them for the Nativity and drop them off in the kitchen after any service on Sunday, November 27. Thank you!

CALLING ALL BRASS INSTRUMENTS!

PARTICIPATE IN ALDERSGATE'S LIVE NATIVITY ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

We will be holding rehearsals on Monday nights in November for the music ensemble that plays at the Living Nativity. Music will be provided. The rehearsal schedule is:

Monday, November 7 6:30-7:30 pm in the Youth room

Monday, November 14 6:30-7:30 pm in the Youth room

Anyone with instrument experience wanting to join in can show up on those dates or contact Lisa Underdonk at 730-0569 for more details.

Gift Card shopping is back at Aldersgate in time for the Holidays!

Order your gift cards through Aldersgate for Holiday gift giving or Black Friday shopping!! Aldersgate church gets a percentage back on each one ordered! All money raised goes to reduce the building debt. Just fill out the order form enclosed and return it to the gift card table at church by the date shown on the form. Remember to fill it out completely and enclose your money. All checks are made payable to "Aldersgate UMC." Pick up your gift card order the following Sunday at the gift card table where Giant gift cards are sold outside the Family Life Center! Save time and money and do all your gift card shopping in one place!

A NOTE FROM THE STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Church family, you deserve a big congratulations! The Take a Bite out of Debt offering was very successful. Your offering was \$19,500. Combined with the 3rd quarter budgeted giving, the mortgage debt was reduced to

\$966,611!

With this significant debt reduction we will be paying less interest, which means there will be more money to do God's work.

Again, on behalf of the Stewardship & Finance Committee, thank you.

Marsha Fisher, Chairperson





ANGELS ARE IN OUR MIDST

It's time to start thinking of sharing our love with those in need during the Christmas season. The season is not about gifts, but our small tokens of love will put a smile on a child or adult in need during the Christmas season ... and hopefully all year!

The "Angel Tree" will appear in the church lobby on November 12, loaded with "wish ornaments." If you are able, please take 1 or 2, fill out the back tag and place it in the decorated box. Then take the wish tag with you when you are out shopping and return it with the gift by December 11. Please place them in a gift bag - do not wrap the gift.

We will be giving to the following agencies:

- Silence of Mary's Home
- New Hope Ministries
- Shalom House
- Bridge of Hope
- Allison Hill after school program
- Daystar
- Village of Hope-Uganda



Our church family is always so generous and I feel blessed to be part of it. If you have any questions, please contact me, pam.caserta@yahoo.com. Any help with sorting the gifts when they come in is greatly welcome.

Thank you!

Pam Caserta

ATTENTION FLUFFERS ANONYMOUS

If you like getting together to talk, laugh, and fluff Christmas greens, this is for you!

Believe it or not, the 1st Sunday of Advent is November 27. Really! This means we will have to have the greens fluffed before Thanksgiving! I call this "panic time," but with your help it can be done.

The plan is to meet around 10 am in the Chapel on Friday, November 18; Monday, November 21 and Tuesday, November 22. If you can't make it exactly at 10 am, stop by when you can.

What a way to begin this blessed holiday - by enjoying each others' company while preparing the church for the celebration of Christ's birth!

ALSO REMEMBER THAT THE HANGING OF THE GREENS IS SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26 at 3 pm.

Any questions just call Marsha Fisher at 728-1751.

ALDERSGATE OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday, 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

Friday 8:30 am - 12:30 pm



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