

Ahoy!!

Seasoned Citizens:

Please join us on Thursday, February 13, 2025, at noon for our monthly potluck and program with guest speaker, Mike Heberling. Mike will tell us all about the location, history and stories of

Shipwrecks in the Great Lakes.

Come and we'll explore our own Great Lakes together. Bring a friend!



Important update!!!

The Chili Cookoff has a new date!!!

Join us on **Sunday, March 2** following the 11am worship service.

In addition to the chili cookoff, we will also have a dessert auction!!!

Sign up now to bring a chili and/or dessert!

This fun event will benefit the Community Care fund. This fund helps our neighbors who are struggling financially. You do not want to miss this awesome event!!!



DESSERT AUCTION

Please sign-in with your Connect Card!
Help us keep accurate attendance records!

Looking Ahead:



In March, Ash Wednesday falls on the same night as our Community Dinner. Enjoy Pasta, Salad, Garlic Bread Dessert & Drinks between 5 & 6:30pm and then join us for our Ash Wednesday Service at 6:30pm. Wednesday, March 5, 2025

Advocacy Day is March 12 in Lansing at our State Capitol and this year's topic is the crisis in care resulting from the 2019 auto no-fault insurance changes in Michigan.

Advocacy Day Activities Include:

- Meetings with legislators
- Poster making for press conference
- Letter writing
- Prayer in the rotunda
- Prayer in the sanctuary



Learn more or **SIGN UP AT**

michiganumc.org/register-now-for-advocacy-day/

This year there is a challenge to make cars out of paper plates for an art display on the lawn of the State Capitol.

Watch for opportunities to make some of these cars to be used on Advocacy day.

Grand Blanc Community EXPO

Saturday, March 22, 2025

9-3 pm

This is wonderful day when Grand Blanc Businesses, Governmental Units, Non-Profits and more come together to share their wares with the community. It's festive and informative, there's food and prizes and giveaways galore. It's FREE and it's worth it!



We are looking for volunteers to help with counting and recording the Sunday morning offering. Working in teams of two or three people, we are looking for enough volunteers so that no one would need to volunteer more than once per month. If this is something that you would be interested in helping with, please contact the church office or let us know using your connect card.

**The Education Team is in need of egg cartons.
If you are able to donate, please leave them in the box outside of the Education Office.
Thank you!!**



Plans are in the works for a new Church Directory. If you are able to help with this project please indicate your willingness on your Connect Card or contact the church office. Possible ways to help: assisting with photo appointment sign-up and signing in families when they arrive to get their photos taken.

You are invited, answer the call! We will be having a **Meet & Greet on Saturday, February 15th at 10:00 a.m. in the Church Library** to discuss opportunities for social justice

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according to the Social Principles of the United Methodist Church. Did you know the social principles were updated for 2025? The new book of principles

will be published late spring/early summer. We will be starting a Church and Society Team to explore the new principles, talk about the biblical foundation and the history of the United Methodist Church answering the call to action and we would love for you to join us. This group will move forward with learning and advocacy opportunities including panel discussions to educate others. Let's put our faith into action. The time is right to get involved. We will follow the General Board of Church and Society's mission of:

Living Faith, Seeking Justice and Pursuing Peace.

Of course, light refreshments will be served. See you soon! If you have questions prior to the meeting, contact the church office or Shelly Gould-Rice.

Prayer Shawl Ministry
Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.
All are welcome!

Pastor Brian's daily devotionals "Focusing on Faith" are back! Check them out on our YouTube Channel:
Grand Blanc UMC
Be sure to like, comment and/or share!!!