

The Good News EXPRESS



SEVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH // November 2026

Celebrating 200 Years In Ministry!



Seville United Methodist Church
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A Small Church With Giant Heart

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Pastor Dave's 'Usual' Office Hours are the same, however they may fluctuate weekly due to various meetings, so call the office if you need an appointment.

Pastor Dave's Days Off:
Fridays and Saturdays

Sunday Worship Services:
8:30 am Praise And Worship
10:45 am Traditional Service

Sunday Christian Education: 9:30 am

Scan the QR Code to visit our Facebook page where we also live stream Sunday worship

Give Thanks With A Grateful Heart For The Many Seasons Of Our Lives

Growing up in New England, and now living here in the Midwest, I am well accustomed to the changing seasons. In fact, it would be hard for me to live in a place where seasonal change is not so prominent. I would long for those transitions that help balance the rhythm of my life. I love the freshness of a brand new spring, but I also love watching leaves change colors in the crisp, autumn air. I enjoy summer months filled with outdoor activities as well as the quieter winter months spent inside by a fire. As seasons change, there is a continual cycle of life that refreshes my being. The Bible says there is a time for every season under heaven. This year is beginning to wind down, and the holiday season is fast approaching. Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Eve celebrations will help us to transition from one year to the next on the secular calendar. Likewise, liturgical seasons change in the life of the church calendar as well. The various seasons of the church year help us to refocus on what should be most important in our lives: who God is, what God is about, and how we are called to be the people of God in the world. Each season provides us with a different picture of Jesus. Each season in the church shows us a different aspect of Christ as the King and Ruler of all. Throughout the various seasons of the church calendar, we journey through Christ's life and the life of the church with Jesus as our Lord. From our Advent preparation for the celebration of Christ's birth through Lenten days that prepare us for his death and resurrection, we journey through the seasons of Christ's life. From the baptism of our Lord to the receiving of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, the transitioning seasons of the church year actually help bring us to a deeper understanding of God's divine plans and purposes. Seasons change in the life of a church congregation in many other ways as well. All churches go through continual transitional changes. Pastoral changes, economic adjustments, building modifications, and cultural differences are but a few examples of change that happen in the life of a church. Just like any other living thing, the church transitions through various life cycle seasons. The good news is that God never changes, and the message of his love offered through his Son, Jesus Christ, also never changes. God's Word never changes. His promises remain steadfast in the midst of any seasonal change, whether it is in the church or in our world. Over the past 200 years, Seville Church has faithfully transitioned into many new seasons in its wonderful life serving God. Things are, of course, not what they used to be, but God has wonderful plans for a future with hope. There is always a new season on the horizon – a season that God has planned. New birth, new life, and new opportunities await as we too remain unchanged in our commitment to God and his mission. As things change around us, let us not be fearful - for God is trustworthy in leading us into the next season of our lives. Therefore, give thanks with a grateful heart! ~ Blessings and Peace, Pastor Dave

Thank You All Very Much!

Karen and I want to express our sincere thanks and gratitude for all the pastor appreciation gifts and cards we received. We are so blessed to be a part of this church family. We appreciate all the love and support that we experience all year long.
Seville UMC is a great church! – Dave and Karen



Great Things Are Happening At Seville UMC!



November Birthdays

4-Bobbi Placke
6-Sarah Rielger
6-Elizabeth Fugate
6-Hannah Swain
8-Beverly Rhoads
10-Edie Landis
15-Martha Springer
16-Tonya Swain
21-Lori Skelton
22-Dave McGrath
25-Jerrica Pawlus
25-Mark Ewing
27-Karen McGrath
27-Helen Angell
28-Dave Gubics
28-Craig Wood
29-Teare Reedy
29-Jerry Springer
30-Anya Parsons

November Anniversaries

8-Kevin & Nancy Barr
25-Andy & Becky Bridenthal

Thanksgiving Prayer

Gracious and loving God.
On this day of gratitude, we pause to remember that every good gift comes from your hand.
We thank you for the food before us, the people beside us, and the hope within us.
Open our hearts to those who hunger, who grieve, or who feel alone today. Make us mindful of the ways we can share your abundance so that all your children may know the fullness of life.
By your Spirit, knit us together in compassion and mercy. Teach us to walk in gratitude—not just today, but every day—as we seek to love you and our neighbors with joyful and generous hearts.
Bless this meal and bless our lives, that we may be signs of your grace in the world.
In Christ's holy name we pray. Amen.



Christian Education

The adult Sunday School Class that meets at 9:30 continues year round. The group is open to all folks to come. A few different people help lead the class. Currently they are studying "Proverbs & Parables, God's Wisdom for Living" By Dee Brestin

The children's classes Are Sunday's at 9:30 am
All are welcome! PreK-12th grade.



Lunchbox Fridays

Lunchbox is a meal delivered once a month to people who have difficulty cooking for themselves.A volunteer makes a lunch and a second volunteer makes a dessert. Its delivered by Cathy Piper, Carl Perry, and Liisa Coldron. If you would like to help with lunchbox it is every fourth Friday of the month. We would love to have you! Sign up to make a meal or dessert. Sign up sheet is in lobby for 2027.



200th Anniversary Service

Seville UMC's final special 200th anniversary Sunday was held on October 11, which we celebrated Church Homecoming Day with one service at 10 a.m.

We enjoyed the former pastors and members who joined us for "A Visit from The Rev. John Hazzard," Seville UMC's founding circuit rider. We received a certificate from the United Methodist historical society. After the service, we took a church family photo and had a delicious lunch.

It was a wonderful service and time!
Thank you to all who helped make this such a success.











Craft Bazaar

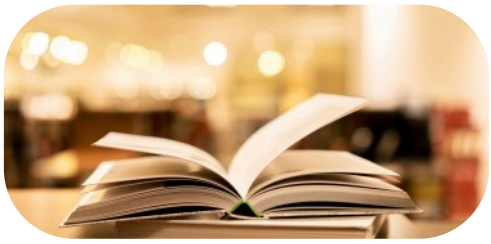


Craft Bazaar & Lunch happening on **Saturday, November 14**.
Do you like to bake?
We are looking for volunteers to bake for the upcoming show.
Please let Cathy Piper know if you can help. Thanks!

An Invite To Our Church From Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran's Church Event



Book Club



Book Club is meeting on the second THURSDAY of each month. There is a list of books up until December that we will be reading. The list is on the table outside the sanctuary. We meet in the parlor at 2:00 pm.
All Are WELCOME!!

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The Weekly Whistle

Look for The Weekly Whistle heading to your inbox . Expected day to arrive is on Wednesdays. It will be filled with updated information for the week.



THE Coffee CLUB

COFFEE CLUB

The last COFFEE CLUB took place on October 5th.

We have had some very interesting and entertaining programs this year plus a great menu. Thank you to all who help in this great community outreach. The Wooster Singing Angels performed in October. What a great ending for this fabulous event.



Crop Walk 2026

Thank you to everyone who participated, sponsored someone, or who simply donated. A BIG thank you to Nancy Pitz for bringing the event back and taking on its leadership role.





Deadline for the November 2026 NEWSLETTER no later than Thursday November 24 . Please have ANY & ALL items into the office by then, thank you.



ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME CROP HUNGER WALK

Worship Looking Ahead

November 1	**November 8**	**November 15**	**November 22**	**November 29**
23rd Sunday After Pentecost All Saints Sunday *Sing With All The Saints In Heaven*	24th Sunday After Pentecost *www.Church.com*	25th Sunday After Pentecost *In The Feast, Remember And Be Thankful*	26th Sunday After Pentecost *United Women in Faith Sunday*	1st Sunday of Advent Series: The Advent Of Grace *The Appearing Of Grace*
Scripture Isaiah 25:6-9 Revelation 7:9-17	**Scripture** Acts 2:42-47 Hebrews 10:24-25	**Scripture** Colossains 1:15-20 Colossians 2:9-17	**Scripture** TBD	**Scripture** Luke 2:10-11 Titus 2:11-14
Greeters/Ushers **8:30** Craig & Roseann Wood **10:45** Sandy B. & Beth M.	**Greeters/Ushers** **8:30** Jean Eby & Theresa Naftzger **10:45** Wendel & Darla Payn	**Greeters/Ushers** **8:30** Kevin & Nancy Barr **10:45** Cathy Piper & Liisa Coldiron	**Greeters/Ushers** **8:30** Brian & Nancy Greer **10:45** Chris Wotowiec & Joyce Milota	**Greeters/Ushers** **8:30** Mark & Lea Ewing **10:45** Bette Smith & Sue Payne
Liturgist **8:30** Kelly Korb **10:45** Dave Freeland	**Liturgist** **8:30** Jerrica Pawlus **10:45** Melanie Gladden	**Liturgist** **8:30** Heather Cottingham **10:45** Janet Gommel	**Liturgist** **8:30** Bobbi Placke **10:45** Dave Welday	**Liturgist** **8:30** Brian Greer **10:45** Helen Angell
Counter Helen Angell	**Counter** Carol Harlan	**Counter** Janet Gommel	**Counter** Bette Smith	**Counter** Melanie Gladden

November 1: Communion Stewards: 8:30 Carol Harlan **10:45** Beth Meadows

Future Nursery for Sunday Services



As many of us know, we have a beautiful Nursery for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers. What we don't have is volunteers. Is this something that speaks to your heart? Do you have the ability to volunteer for nursery duty occasionally? It doesn't have to be every week. It will be more like the usher schedule. Where you have the ability to trade or even be a seasonal item for those that travel to warmer climates during the winter months. We will be following the Safe Sanctuary Policy for volunteers. Most of us already have the steps needed. For more information and to volunteer please call anyone of the Leadership Team, the office, or just send an email to sevilleumcoffice@gmail.com. Is this your one thing? A meeting will be scheduled sometime in November. We would like to have this up and running for the Christmas season for young families to have a place to go and bring their children.



Please keep these folks in prayer:

Connie Beery: Health Concerns
Mary Oberli: Recovery from knee surgery
Lea Ewing:Recovery from knee surgery
Sue Payne: Health Concerns
Courtney Harlan: Recovery from gall bladder surgery

For New Prayer Request: If you want the prayer request listed publicly in the bulletin and in newsletters, fill out a prayer request card, send the office an email of your prayer request or contact the church office to have the prayer request included.

A Special Thank You



Thank you so much for the inspirational and wonderful bicentennial worship service. I also, appreciated being able to represent the Methodist Historical Society of Ohio in presenting the certificate the society shares with churches celebrating special anniversaries. So. thank you for the wonderful service of celebration, fellowship and lunch. Blessings & Peace, Donald Trigg

Thank you for the wonderful day which the 200th anniversary committee planned on October 11. We enjoyed being in worship, hearing the portrayal of Reverand John Hazzard, the delicious lunch, the historical displays, and most of all the many conversations. Thank you also, for the kind note and the cross & flame letter opener. May God continue to guide, bless, and sustain your ministry!
Phil, Tammy, Wilden Rebecca, Andrew, Elizabeth and Zach

CARING FOR OTHERS



Thank you to all our volunteers and contributors who made it possible for our Pantry to 41 families during October. These families included 29 seniors and 28 children.

We continue to receive product and monetary donations that allow us to keep the shelves stocked. Thank you to everyone who is the part of this solution.

As we are moving into the colder months, our families are being hit with heating bills and the stress that the holidays bring. We are a way to help with that by providing food assistance to bring down the grocery bill.

We have volunteers of all ages who are so enthusiastic about making a difference in our community, from elementary age to retirement age. No one is too young or old to make a difference.

Hope to see some new faces in the near future. If you you are interested in helping, call Kris Perry at 330-321-1847 or just show up on one of the dates below!

The Next Food Pantry Dates are
Monday November 2 ~ 6:00 - 7:00 pm and
Saturday November 21 ~ 10:00 am - Noon

United Women In Faith (UWIF)



Will be hosting a new event: **A Lunch and Craft Bazaar** will take place on **Saturday, November 14** from 10am-3pm.

Lunch offerings will include **BBQ pork sandwiches** as well as a choice of **three homemade soups**, sure to satisfy every appetite. Save the date, we hope to see you there!

Lay Leader Report

Submitted By Bobbi Placke

This years Charge Conference was another opportunity to confirm that our church is moving in the right direction. Our District Superintendent Rev. Kelly Brown led us in voting and approving the paperwork from 2026. Pastor Dave, Janet Gommel and Bobbi Placke attended. We are blessed to have Pastor Dave continuing as our Pastor and his salary was approved. Our membership roster has been updated. And it was a blessing seeing the names of those who joined our church, or moved their membership. We see the work that is being done between East and West Ohio, to bring us together as one which will be voted on in 2027 at Annual Conference. We the members of Seville United Methodist can work together to see our membership continue to grow as we continue to do Gods good work.

The Leadership Board is meeting on November 18 at 6:30. If you are a team chair and have a report to share please get it into the office by November 4th if possible. Also if there is anything you feel needs to be brought to the board for discussion, please let any board member know and it will be looked at.

United Methodist Men

Submitted by John Gladden



United Methodist Men is meeting at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 7. UMM is a casual group of guys who get together to eat breakfast, enjoy a program, and find ways God can use us to serve the church and community. We meet in the church parlor on the first Saturday of the month from October through May.

All men and boys are invited!

Please see John Gladden for more information.

For any questions about the Leadership Board, or any interest in becoming part of a Team please contact anyone on Leadership Board:

Randy Eby, Emily Gladden, Janet Gommel, Brian Greer, Carol Harlen, Beth Meadows, Mary Oberli, Wendel Payn, Bobbi Placke, and Craig Wood.

FINANCE NEWS

Summer has come to a close and Fall is back in full swing. In September, our giving also "fell" a bit, as we had our lowest month of the year, with $10,678 in general fund contributions for the month. Fortunately, with higher giving earlier this year, we are still in a good place for the year, keeping ahead of current year expenses by $4,467. Your faithful generosity is greatly appreciated!



Finance Report as of September 30, 2026

General Fund Giving	**$143,354**
Parsonage Rent (50%)	**$6,300**
Total General Fund Income	**$137,054**
Expenses	**$138,887**
Net Surplus	**$4,467**

If you have a question, please feel free to ask Melanie Gladden or email a question to sevumcfinance@gmail.com.

FYI: Please **DO NOT make checks** out to **SUMC**
Instead, please write out Seville United Methodist Church.
The bank will not accept it with just SUMC due to scams.
Thank you

Trustee News: Parsonage inspection was completed By Wendel Payn and the tenant. Kamm Star will be doing there fall inspection of heating systems in church and parsonage. Wendel Payn will be contacting electrician to address outside lighting issues**.** Lots to do! too maintain this wonderful church.

The New Office Email Address is:
Seville.UMC.office@gmail.com

The old email address, although soon to be deleted, will be briefly monitored in order to not miss some communication during the transition.

Give online thru our website https://www.seville-umc.org/
Just click the donate button or mail a check directly to the church. Send a check thru your online banking system (you can even set it up to send recurring checks). We value you and your support of Seville UMC! Your Finance Committee.

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NOVEMBER 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 8:30 Praise 10:45 Traditional Service All Saints Day	**2** Food Pantry 6-7pm	**3** Bible Study 9:30am	**4** JC Kids 5:30pm	**5** Historical Society Meeting 7pm Craft Bazaar 9:30-12pm	**6**	**7** UMM Meeting 9am
8 8:30 Praise 10:45 Traditional Service Veterans Sunday	**9**	**10**	**11** Lifeline 8am-5:30 JC Kids 5:30	**12** Craft bazaar set-up 9:30am 1pm Book Club 2pm	**13** Craft bazaar set-up 9:30am-1pm	**14** Craft Bazaar and lunch 10am-3pm
15 8:30 Praise 10:45 Traditional Service	**16**	**17** UWIF meeting 7pm	**18** JC Kids 5:30pm Leadership Board 6:30pm Girl Scouts 6:30-7:30pm	**19**	**20** Lunchbox-Noon	**21** Food Pantry 10am-1pm
22 8:30 Praise 10:45 Traditional Service UWIF Sunday	**23** Redcross 11am-6pm	**24**	**25** JC Kids 5:30pm	**26** Thanksgiving 	**27**	**28**
29 8:30 Praise 10:45 Traditional Service 1st Sunday in Advent	**30**					

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Our Sunday Morning Schedule:
8:30 AM Praise Worship
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Traditional Worship & Online Streaming

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November 2026 - Item of the month
Baking Supplies

Consider signing up in Fellowship Hall to order Sunday altar flowers this Fall to honor someone or to remember loved ones.



Scan here with your smartphone camera to make a payment electronically through Vanco

Online Giving at
www.https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z6HA/home

Weekly Panera Bread and Pastries Pickup on Wednesday Mornings

First Wednesday Brian Greer
Second Wednesday The Perrys
Third Wednesday Nancy Pitz/ Liisa Coldiron
Fourth Wednesday The Rhoads
Fifth Wednesday Tara Freeland

