



Panora United Methodist Church

OUR MISSION:

LOVE GOD, LOVE NEIGHBOR, TRANSFORM THE WORLD

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Sunday Service

9:30 a.m. Worship Service
FaithSeeker's Sunday
School every 2nd, 3rd, &
4th Sunday at 9:30 a.m.
Nursery Available

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I am excited about the textbook the Confirmation students are using this new year. It's called, Three Simple Rules (that will change the world), by Rueben P. Job. It's based upon John Wesley's interpretation of God's guidelines for our lives. The three simple rules are: do no harm (avoid evil of every kind), do good (of all kinds as often as possible), stay in love with God (attend to all the decrees of God). I think following "three simple rules" is much easier than following all the commandments of the Old Testament. Although, each of the Ten Commandment fits neatly into one of the three categories.

Do no harm: You may not swear; only use God's name in a loving way. You may not hate other people; don't ever think of hurting someone else in any way. Don't take and keep anything that does not belong to you. Tell no lies, especially if that lie will hurt someone else.

Do good: Be respectful to your parents. Keep your thoughts and actions pure; sex is a gift of God to married couples. You may not be jealous of anyone or what they have; be satisfied with what you have.

Keep God's decrees: You may not love anyone or anything more than God. You may not worship anything other than God; not your parents or a friend or a movie star or a sports star or a car –nothing. One day of your week should be set aside for rest and the worship of God.

Is it time for you to make a pact with yourself for the New Year? May I suggest learning and following the Three Simple Rules? Let me know if you'd like to read the short book, I may have a copy you can borrow. You could pray this prayer each and every day: "Loving God, come and make your home in my heart this day. Dwell within me all day long, and save me from error or foolish ways. Teach me today to do no harm, to do good, and assist me so that I may stay in loving relationship with you and my neighbor. Help me today to be an answer to another's prayer so that I may be one of your signs of hope in the world you love. Amen."

We wish to thank each of your for your faithfulness and the support you have given us as we have been your pastors. The very generous gifts and notes of thanks are humbling and appreciated. Thank you so much.

Blessings, Dennis and Jane



Administrative
Council

The next regular meeting of the
Administrative Council will be
7:00 pm, Thursday, January 20, 2022.



The next regular meeting of the
SPPRC will be
6:00 pm, Thursday, January 13, 2022.



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| * Tammy Deal: | In Memory of Bill & Pat Deal |
| *Dennis & Jane Shepherd: | In Memory of Velma & Harold Shepherd |
| * Bryce & Kendra Wilke: | In Memory of Carrie Arp |
| * John & Kathy Coons: | In Memory of Our Parents and Siblings |
| * Max & Vickie Gilliland: | In Memory of Jamie & Ryan Gilliland |

Church Directory

We are working on a new Church Directory and if you would like your photo included in the directory please send a digital photo via email to pumc@netins.net.

If you are not able to send a photo Jane has offered to take your photo here at the church. We would like the photo's in by February 28th.



UMW Calendar

January —NO MEETING

February 21— UMW Meeting at 7:00pm

Happy Birthday!

(I know there are some of birthdays missing! Please send to Jane, 515-351-2269)
"God was there to hear your borning cry; we rejoice that you are part of our church family!"

January Birthdays

1 – Jackie VahAhn	15 – Gracie Grove, George Wilker
2 – Terry Sprague	18– Brad Halterman
6 – Cathy VanGundy	19 – Brenda Halterman, Ben Wilker
9 – Kjella Piper	25 – Roger Esbeck
13 – Katy Bassett	27 – Linda Richey
14– John Coghlan	30 – Dave Brown

February Birthdays

1 – Jim Adamson	11 – Brian Bahrenfuss
3 – Kathy Coons	15 – Linda Dahl
7 – Karwyn Gibson	19 – Lynn Zajicek
8 – Shari Crouse, Deb Schumacher	22 – Paulette Chambers, Waneta Scott
9 – Liam Wilker	27 – Bill Wright
10 – Kris Laidley	

Schedule for Chimes and Choir

Jan 6	6:30pm	Chimes Practice	Feb 10	6:30 pm	Chimes Practice
Jan 9	9:30 am	Chimes Play	Feb 13	9:30 pm	Chimes Play
Jan 20	6:30pm	Choir Practice	Feb 24	6:30 pm	Choir Practice
Jan 23	9:30 am	Choir Sings	Feb 27	9:30 am	Choir Sings

Church Leaders and Officers, 2022

Church Council Chairperson: Bill Wright

SPRC Committee

Serving through 2022 Don Hamilton, Avery Barhenfuss,
Michelle Bassett
Serving through 2023 John Coons, **Sue Merryman chair**,
Mark Bienhoff
Serving through 2024 Tom Jeschke
Lay Member to AC Karen Sievers
Lay Leader Terry Sprague

Board of Trustees (chair to be elected)

Serving through 2022 Vickie Gubser, Brian Bahrenuss,
Jay Merryman
Serving through 2023 Tammy Deal, Bill Wicks,
JoAnn Alumbaugh
Serving through 2024 Jim Sievers, John Coons
Lay Leader Terry Sprague

Worship Committee

Serving through 2022 Gayle Shackelford, Scott DeBruin
Serving through 2023 Wanda Steburg, Ann Chambers,
Julie Tibbles
Serving through 2024 Melissa Bahrenfuss, Tom Loeck,

Choir Director: MJ Brown
Organist: Barb Bahde
Special Music Coordinator: JoAnn Alumbaugh
Communion Stewards: Nancy/Tom Loeck, Rhonda Bellard
Scott/Deb DeBruin, Jeff/LeAnn Howe
Christmas Decorating: The Wright Family
Ushers/Greeters: Shelley Downing
Wedding Coordinator: Mary Beidelman
IT Task Force: Dave Bassett, Ben Wilker,
Andrew Knaack, Mickell Gerth

Missions and Outreach

Serving through 2022 Mary Jane Sprague
Serving through 2023 Donna Johnson
Serving through 2024 Jackie Wicks, Karen Gerlich
Youth Leader Rep: Shanell Wagler, Erin Ambrose,
Brian Bahrenfuss
Prayer Shawls Rep: Denise Brobst, Mary Beidelman
3C's Rep: Connie Ridgley
Change a Child's Story Rep: Tammy Deal
Back Packs: **Scott Fredrickson, chair**

Finance Committee

Treasurer Vicki Gubser
Financial Secretary Shelley Downing
Serve through 2222 Tammy Deal
Serving through 2023 **Charles Brobst, chair**
Serving through 2024 Bryce Wilke
Lay Leader Terry Sprague
Lay Member to A C Karen Sievers

Nominations Committee Pastors Chair

Serve through 2022 Brian Bahrenfuss
Serving through 2023 Pam Beardsley,
Tom Jeschke
Serving through 2024 Julie Zajicek
Lay Leader Terry Sprague

Education Committee

Shanell Wagler, Chair

Melissa Bahrenfuss
Rachel Knudsen

Youth Group Leaders

Shanell Wagler, Erin Kirtley, Brian Bahrenfuss

Membership Committee

Pastors, Mary Beidelman, Shelley Downing

Memorials Coordinators

John Coons, Linda Dahl

Church Historian

Mary Kay Hamilton

Prayer Chain

Lora Koch

Technology Security Tammy Deal, Chair

Dave Bassett, Ryan Gerth,
Bill Wright, Vicki Gubser
Terry Sprague, Lay Leader

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**Tuesday afternoon, 1:00 p.m.
At Lake Side Village**

**Wednesday Evening, 6:30 p.m.
Church, upstairs tables**