



The Wellspring

SAVOY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

December 2025



TOE TAPPIN' AT SUMC

Come out for a night of music Sunday, December 7 at 5pm. Hear favorite songs from members of our own congregation and some extra special guests. Light refreshments will be served. A voluntary offering plate will be available with proceeds supporting missions.

If you have a song or two you'd like to share, please contact Mike Brownlee at brownlee_mike@hotmail.com.



The Stewardship and Finance Team have designated this year's annual "Walk to the Manger" special offering will be used to help offset our budget deficit.

Let's recover what it means to celebrate Holy Days. Instead of our cheesy slogans about "the reason for the season," let's practice a sacred season for the sake of the reason. Let's joyfully embrace the fact that we will do Advent in the midst of a culture that loves Christmas but doesn't really understand it. When the church reclaims Advent, the culture will behold Christmas. Be sure to pick up the Advent Daily Devotional Book "*Not Yet Christmas: It's Time for Advent*" when you are at church. (Hopefully they will have arrived before Sunday.)



Join us on Christmas Eve for our Communion and Candle-light service. Feel free to pick up several Christmas Eve flyers from the Welcome Center and share with family, friends and neighbors.



**FOOD PANTRY**

Your food ministry has received great news! We have been selected to receive a grant through the Illinois Great Rivers Conference Food Ministry Grant program. Your commitment to serving families facing food insecurity in our community is truly inspiring, and they are honored to support our vital work during this time of growing need. In November we served 37 families of 66 adults and 37 children. We have been seeing a few more people every month. Your support and prayers for this ministry is greatly appreciated by our visitors.

The next open food pantry will be on December 9, 3:30-5pm. Stop by just for a visit or bring someone you know who is food insecure.

**United Women in Faith**

United Women in Faith will have a Christmas potluck on Wednesday, December 10 at 11:30 am. Please bring a dish to share. Italian beef will be provided as well as beverages and tableware. Also please bring an item for the food pantry and a \$5 store/gas station fun gift for a game. We welcome any ladies of Savoy UMC who would like to join us. Our next meeting will not be until February.

CUNNINGHAM GIFTS

Thank you everyone for your generous support again of our Cunningham Angel Tree. Please bring the unwrapped gift items by Sunday, December 7 so they can be delivered by the due date. Thank you for helping the youth at Cunningham feel the love at Christmas time.



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

Christmas Reception

For Newcomers, and old-comers!

hosted by **The Rhee Family**

Sunday. December 14th 2-4PM

4215 S Duncan Rd. Champaign, IL

Questions? Email: jrhee@savoyumc.org,
Phone: 309-224-6420

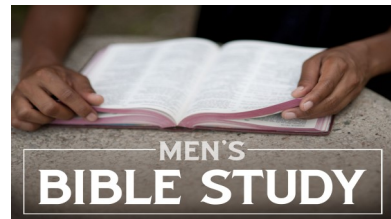
**Tuesday Bible Study**

Every Tuesday at 9:30 am in the Crossroads Classroom. Anyone interested is welcome and encouraged to attend!

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

EVERY TUESDAY | 10:00AM
meet in the Southeast classroom

All women are invited to this weekly Bible Study at 10:00am on Tuesday mornings. Contact person is Rose Redmon.

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Wednesdays at 7:30 am at the Original Pancake House.

**WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY NIGHT SMALL GROUP**

meet the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays
7-8:30pm in Youth Room

Chick Chat

Thursday mornings at 9:00. Contact Cindy Cook with questions 217-841-0420.

**JOURNEY MEN**

First & Third Saturdays
7:30am – at the church
Breakfast provided

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

Meadowbrook Church was the collection point for the Champaign-Urbana area for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. Michelle Horvat delivered our 28 shoeboxes to Meadowbrook. In Champaign alone they collected 4,269 shoeboxes. East Central IL Area collected a total of 11,976. One full trailer with 350 cartons containing 5204 shoeboxes and another trailer with 204 cartons containing 3064 shoeboxes were sent from Champaign.

It's a blessing to know that children and their families will be blessed through these shoebox gifts. Thank you to everyone who filled a shoebox this year. We hope to donate more next year!

**TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**

The Tuesday morning Bible study group is currently studying Zechariah. They typically read scripture and then answer questions from a study guide that is provided. If you have questions contact Dee Smith - jdgolfers2@comcast.net.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND DATES

- * S/PPRC - First Tuesday of the month at 6pm
- * Trustees - First Wednesday of the month at 5:30pm
- * Worship Team - Second Sunday of the month at 10:45am.
- * Stewardship/Finance - Second Thursday of the month at 6pm
- * Ad Council - Third Thursday of the month at 6pm
- * Prayer Team - First and Third Wednesdays of the month at 4pm
- * Mission Team - Tues prior to Ad Council mtg at 5:45pm

2026 CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Ad Council Chair	Mike Brownlee
Trustee Chair	Bryant Seraphin
Finance Chair	Brian Markstahler
Staff/Pastor Parish Relations	Bruce Branham
Treasurer	Steve Setzler
Financial Secretary	Crystal Dillavou
Lay Member to Annual Conference	Rose Redmon
Recording Secretary	Nick Seraphin
Church Historian	Kay McCoy
Missions Chair	Cindy Cook
Membership Secretary	Pat Setzler
United Women in Faith President	Kay McCoy
Memorial Committee Chair	Michelle Horvat

Board of Trustees -

Steve Setzler	Becky Pittman	Doug Bauling
Michelle Horvat	Bryant Seraphin	Rita Collins
Gene McCoy	Jeff Redmon	Don Maxwell

Stewardship/Finance -

Dave Rear	Brian Markstahler	Larry Inman
Dee Smith	Anita Althaus	Crystal Dillavou
Steve Setzler	Rose Redmon	Bruce Branham

Staff/Pastor Parish Relations -

Rose Redmon	Dawn Rear	Brian Markstahler
Billie Krueger	Bruce Branham	

Thank you for saying "YES" to leading Savoy UMC in the coming year!



**CHURCH CALENDAR - DECEMBER****MONDAY, DEC 1**

10:00am Parkinson's Group

TUESDAY, DEC 2

9:30am Tues AM Bible Study

10:00am Women's Bible Study

6:00 pm S/PPRC Mtg

7:00pm Al-Anon

WEDNESDAY, DEC 3

7:30am Men's Bible Study (Original Pancake House)

4:00pm Prayer Team

6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY, DEC 4

9:00am Chick Chat

7:00pm Scouts

FRIDAY, DEC 5

9:00am Cleaning Crew

SATURDAY, DEC 6

7:30am Journey Men

9:00am Quilters

SUNDAY, DEC 7

9:30am Worship

10:45am Adult Sunday School

5:00pm TOE TAPPIN' AT SUMC**MONDAY, DEC 8**

10:00am Parkinson's Group

7:00pm Troop 101 Committee Mtg

TUESDAY, DEC 9

9:30am Tues AM Bible Study

10:00am Women's Bible Study

2:30 pm Prep for Food Pantry Distribution

3:30 pm Food Pantry Distribution

7:00pm Al-Anon

WEDNESDAY, DEC 10

7:30am Men's Bible Study (Original Pancake House)

11:30am United Women in Faith

4:00pm Prayer Team

5:30pm Trustee Mtg

6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

7:00pm Women's Wed Night Small Group

THURSDAY, DEC 11

9:00am Chick Chat

6:00pm Stewardship/Finance Mtg

6:00pm Troop 2119

7:00pm Scouts

FRIDAY, DEC 12

9:00am Cleaning Crew

6:00pm Chesterbrook Academy Christmas Program

SUNDAY, DEC 14

9:30am Worship

10:45am Worship Team Mtg

MONDAY, DEC 15

10:00am Parkinson's Group

TUESDAY, DEC 16

9:30am Tues AM Bible Study

10:00am Women's Bible Study

5:45pm Mission Team Mtg

7:00pm Al-Anon

WEDNESDAY, DEC 17

7:30am Men's Bible Study (Original Pancake House)

4:00pm Prayer Team

6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY, DEC 18

9:00am Chick Chat

6:00pm Ad Council Mtg

7:00pm Scouts

FRIDAY, DEC 19

9:00am Cleaning Crew

SATURDAY, DEC 20

7:30am Journey Men

9:00am Quilters

SUNDAY, DEC 21

9:30am Worship

10:45am Adult Sunday School

MONDAY, DEC 22

10:00am Parkinson's Group

TUESDAY, DEC 23**DEADLINE FOR DECEMBER NEWSLETTER**

9:30am Tues AM Bible Study

10:00am Women's Bible Study

7:00pm Al-Anon

WEDNESDAY, DEC 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE

7:00pm Christmas Eve Service

THURSDAY, DEC 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED****FRIDAY, DEC 26****CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

9:00am Cleaning Crew

1:00pm Private Event

SUNDAY, DEC 28

9:30am Worship

10:45am Adult Sunday School

MONDAY, DEC 29

10:00am Parkinson's Group

TUESDAY, DEC 30

9:30am Tues AM Bible Study

10:00am Women's Bible Study

7:00pm Al-Anon

9:00am Cleaning Crew

WEDNESDAY, DEC 31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE