



The Wellspring

SAVOY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 2026



We are starting the “new” year with a “new” sermon series titled “The GOD OS: Install the Divine Software in Your Life”. You won’t want to miss it! Sermon titles are -

- Jan 4 - “Master Reset: The Grace-Full Reboot That Cleans Your Life”
- Jan 11 - “Daily Sinc: The Divine Data Plan You Need”
- Jan 18 - “Airplane Mode: The Sacred Pause for Essential Functions”
- Jan 25 - “Internet Connection: Join the Holy Network of Believers”

In a few weeks, we’ll come together as a congregation to celebrate Human Relations Day, a special Sunday focused on empowering community programs and ministries.

On Sunday, January 18 we’ll collect a special offering to support life-changing initiatives such as advocacy, youth organizing, economic development, and more. These programs address local and global needs, nurturing hope and transformation.

Please join us in prayer for the individuals and ministries that will be impacted by our collective generosity. While we may feel our contributions are small on their own, together, as a community of faith, we can accomplish incredible things.

Let us answer God’s call to make a difference. Through your gifts, Human Relations Sunday helps sustain faith-based volunteer programs, develop community leaders and supports at-risk teens. Please write your check to Savoy UMC, memo: Human Relations Day.

“Life’s most persistent and urgent question is, ‘What are you doing for others?’ ”

- REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

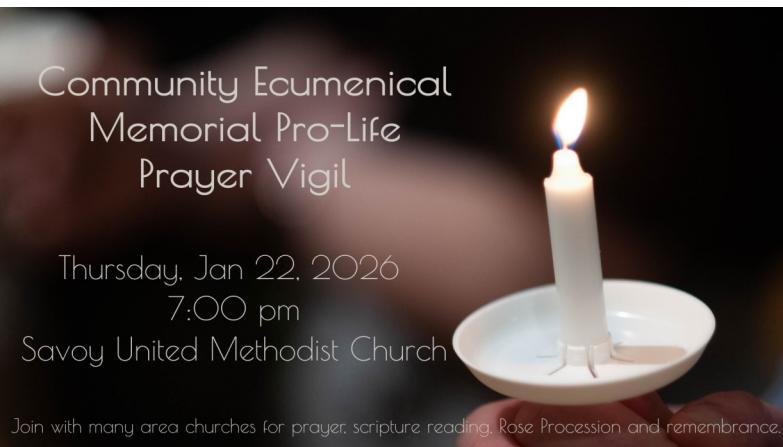
HUMAN RELATIONS DAY

SPECIAL SUNDAY

Savoy UMC will be hosting the Community Ecumenical Memorial Pro-Life Prayer Vigil on Thursday, January 22 at 7:00pm.

This year’s theme is “Choosing Life, Choosing Hope”. Guest speaker will be Micaella Clay from the Abortion Survivors’ Network. She is an abortion survivor, former foster child, adoptee, and adoption advocate. She will also be speaking at the Newman Center on the U of I campus on January 21 at 6:00pm where she will give her full testimony.

We will need some volunteers to help with greeting and refreshments. Please contact the church office if you are interested in helping with this event.



**FOOD PANTRY**

The food pantry will be open on Tuesday, January 6, 3:30-5pm. We are happy to serve anyone who may be in need of food. Thanks to your donations and the Midwest Food Bank the pantry is stocked with both canned and dry goods along with frozen meats, fresh vegetables and fruits.

**United Women in Faith**

A huge thank you to everyone who donated to the Cunningham Angel tree again this year. A quote from Cunningham – “When those gifts are opened, something special happens. Smiles widen. Shoulders relax. And hope sneaks in. In those moments Christmas magic feels very real, because it's driven by love, attention and belonging. If you are looking for a meaningful way to close out 2025 an end of the year gift can help ensure our youth know they matter and are cared for, not just at Christmas, but all year long.” Thank you to Donna Brinegar and Anita Althaus for delivering the gifts from Savoy UMC.

Savoy United Women in Faith will not meet in January so we look forward to meeting together again on February 11 with officers as the hostesses.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Starting Tuesday, January 6 the group will begin reading the New Testament. All are welcome to join them; just bring your Bible and come to the church. Have questions? Contact Dee Smith at jdgolfers2@comcast.net or 630-254-5677.



Friday, Feb 6 at 5:30pm – Saturday, Feb 7 at 6:00am

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

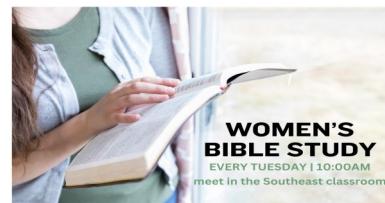
Join us for a powerful night of solidarity and compassion as our community comes together to support our neighbors experiencing homelessness.
Sign up today at p2p.onecause.comown2026



Thank you all for the Christmas cards and gifts. We cherish our Savoy UMC family and friends, and we look forward with gratitude to all that God has in store for us in 2026. - Jungil, May, Grace & Isaac

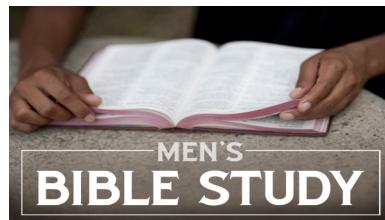


Tuesday Bible Study
Every Tuesday at 9:30 am in the Crossroads Classroom. Anyone interested is welcome and encouraged to attend!



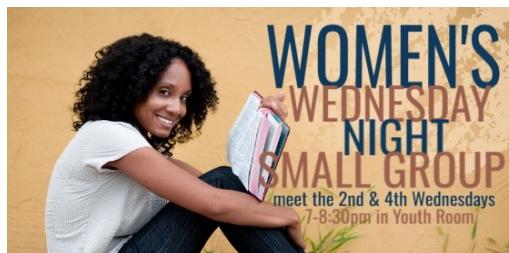
WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
EVERY TUESDAY 11:00:00AM
meet in the Southeast classroom

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

**2026 CHURCH LEADERSHIP**

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Dee Smith	Anita Althaus	Crystal Dillavou
Steve Setzler	Rose Redmon	Bruce Branham

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Thank you for saying "YES" to leading Savoy UMC in 2026!

GriefShare®

Grief Support Group

Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one

A GriefShare support group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. At this 13-week group, you'll receive valuable guidance and tips, leading you to relief, comfort, and peace of mind.

Contact Us Today

Sundays, Jan 4 - March 29, 2026
 6:00 - 7:30 pm
 Faith United Methodist Church
 1719 S Prospect Ave, Champaign
 Call Nancy Arnold, 217.372.5818

griefshare.org

Pick Up a Copy of the Navigators Bible Reading Plan

Deepen your love for God by reading through the Bible with the Navigators Bible Reading Plan. Kick-start the new year with the Word of God - printed copies are available at the welcome desk in the foyer.



A huge **THANK YOU** to my church family for the generous Christmas gift! I appreciate your thoughtfulness and caring nature. I wish you all a happy and healthy 2026!

Pat

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

Happy New Year • *Happy New Year* • *Happy New Year*



CHURCH CALENDAR - JANUARY

THURSDAY, JAN 1
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED



FRIDAY, JAN 2

9:00am Cleaning Crew

SATURDAY, JAN 3

7:30am Journey Men

9:00am Quilters

SUNDAY, JAN 4

9:30am Worship

10:45am Adult Sunday School

MONDAY, JAN 5

10:00am Parkinson's Group

TUESDAY, JAN 6

9:30am Tues AM Bible Study

2:30pm Prep for Food Pantry Distribution

3:30pm Food Pantry Distribution

6:00pm S/PPRC Mtg

7:00pm Al-Anon

WEDNESDAY, JAN 7

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

4:00pm Prayer Team

5:30pm Trustee Mtg

6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JAN 8

9:00am Chick Chat

6:00pm Stewardship/Finance Mtg

6:00pm Troop 2119

7:00pm Scouts

FRIDAY, JAN 9

9:00am Cleaning Crew

SUNDAY, JAN 11

9:30am Worship

10:45am Worship Team Mtg

MONDAY, JAN 12

10:00am Parkinson's Group

7:00pm Troop 101 Committee Mtg

TUESDAY, JAN 13

9:30am Tues AM Bible Study

5:45pm Mission Team Mtg

7:00pm Al-Anon

WEDNESDAY, JAN 14

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

6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

7:00pm Women's Wed Night Small Group

THURSDAY, JAN 15

9:00am Chick Chat

6:00pm Ad Council Mtg

7:00pm Scouts

FRIDAY, JAN 16

9:00am Cleaning Crew

SATURDAY, JAN 17

7:30am Journey Men

9:00am Quilters

SUNDAY, JAN 18

9:30am Worship

10:45am Adult Sunday School

MONDAY, JAN 19 - MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

10:00am Parkinson's Group

TUESDAY, JAN 20

9:30am Tues AM Bible Study

7:00pm Al-Anon

WEDNESDAY, JAN 21

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

4:00pm Prayer Team

6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JAN 22

9:00am Chick Chat

7:00pm Scouts

FRIDAY, JAN 23

DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

9:00am Cleaning Crew

SUNDAY, JAN 25

9:30am Worship

10:45am Adult Sunday School

MONDAY, JAN 26

10:00am Parkinson's Group

TUESDAY, JAN 27

9:30am Tues AM Bible Study

7:00pm Al-Anon

WEDNESDAY, JAN 28

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

6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

7:00pm Women's Wed Night Small Group

THURSDAY, JAN 29

9:00am Chick Chat

7:00pm Scouts

FRIDAY, JAN 30

9:00am Cleaning Crew



Life Line Screening will be at Savoy United Methodist Church on Thursday, February 12 and are offering a special screening package price. Learn more and schedule your appointment by calling **1-800-324-9458**, **texting** the word **circle** to **216-279-1607** or visit Life Line Screening's website at **LLSA.SOCIAL/HABC**.