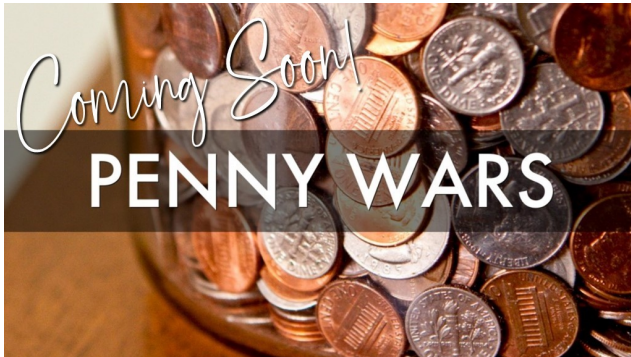




The Wellspring

SAVOY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 2025



MEN vs WOMEN!! Start saving your pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and bills now... Penny Wars begin next Sunday, January 12 and goes till February 23!



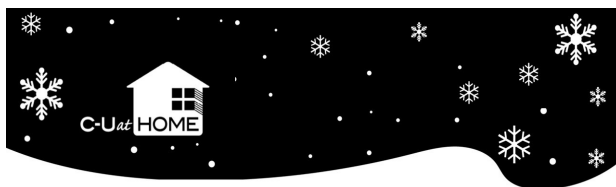
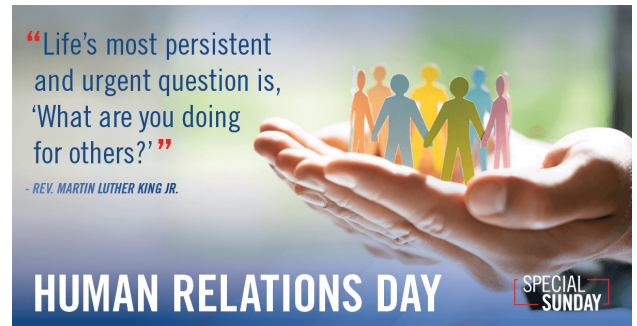
We are starting the "new" year with a "new" sermon series titled "The New You". You won't want to miss it!

January 19 is UMC Human Relations Day Sunday.

Human Relations Day is a special Sunday across our denomination, focused on fostering better relationships and supporting community and youth outreach. On the Sunday before

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday, we take up a special offering to help bring his vision of

a "beloved community" to life. Your gifts support important programs like Community Developers, United Methodist Voluntary Services, and Youth Offender Rehabilitation. We invite you to give so we may continue this vital work together. Thanks to your generosity, over \$250,000 was raised last year to support these vital ministries through the Human Relations Day Sunday offering. Please write your check to Savoy UMC, memo: Human Relations Day.



ONE WINTER NIGHT
February 7-8, 2025

The One Winter Night Outdoor Challenge provides a powerful opportunity for our community of believers to learn about homelessness, build empathy for the people C-U @ Home serves, and raise funds to support their mission.

Participants register to take the One Winter Night Outdoor Challenge and then encourage their friends, family, co-workers, and neighbors to support them in their cause. Participants pledge to raise \$1000 for C-U at Home while they help raise community awareness of the issues surrounding

homelessness. They will be helping to support a vital ministry while experiencing the difficulties faced by homeless individuals on cold winter nights by spending the night outside in tents, cars, or makeshift shelters.



FOOD PANTRY

Our next open food pantry will be held on Tuesday, January 7. Please let those who may be food insecure know they are welcome to visit 3:30-5pm. We have plenty of food to share with our neighbors, both perishable from Midwest Food Bank and non-perishables. Thank you to those who attended the concert on December 19 and filled our shopping cart with nutritious food choices. Watch the Sunday morning screens for donation ideas. Thank you for your support! We could not serve in this way without you!

(S/PPRC) STAFF/PASTOR PARISH RELATIONS

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from your S/PPRC Committee. We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas celebrating the arrival of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We are still looking for a Director of Music for our church. We have received very few applications, but are hoping to receive more in this new year.

As a committee we are tasked with building strong relationships between the congregation and the staff. We are hear to listen and to help when needed. At any time if a question comes up please bring it to the S/PPRC meeting and let us know what you need and we will try to assist you.

S/PPRC is asking the church committee chairs to bring their concerns to one of our meetings. We will continue to meet the first Tuesday of each month at 6pm.

Again, we wish one and all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Thank you all for attending Sunday School the 1st, 3rd and 4th Sundays each month. We completed the study of the Book of Romans and a Right Now Media Advent study by JD Greear.

Beginning January 5, 2025, we will begin a new study, Hebrews. We look forward to seeing you at 10:45am in the Crossroads Room. Anyone that would like to attend is welcome to join us.



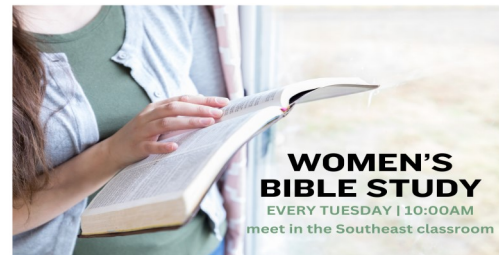
Woohoo! The Illini won bragging rights over Missouri 80-77 on December 22 and CU@Home won a nice donation from our concession stand. Thank you to all who gathered to watch the game at church.

We had a great time and hope you will join us next time. Thank you to Nick for using his gift of organization to cheer on the Illini!

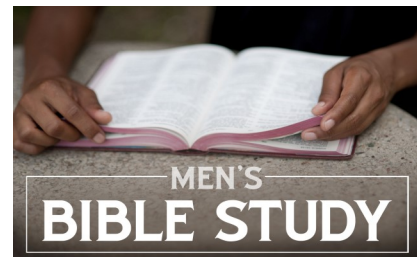


Tuesday Bible Study

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



All women are invited to this weekly Bible Study. Contact person is JoAnn Warnes.



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



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

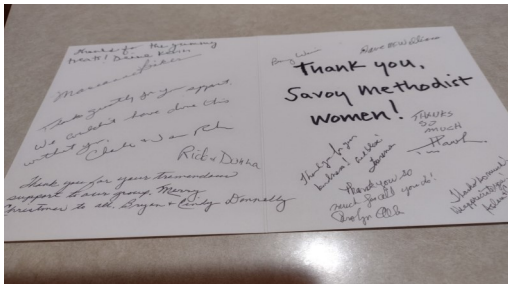
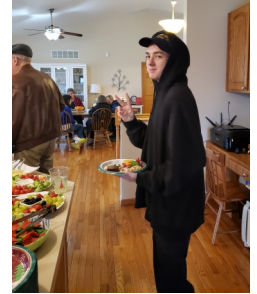




A warm thank you to everyone who joined us at our Christmas party at our residence! Your company made the reception special. We hope you enjoyed the cookies, shared some laughs, and were able to connect. And we're grateful for those who brought treats to share and presents to warm the place.

If you were not able to swing by, we'll be sure to have another one for you to come! Merry Christmas to you all, and may God bless you in the coming year ahead!

God bless! The Rhee family.



The church received a nice "Thank You" from the Parkinson's Group for all the goodies that were given to them last month. A few of their comments were -

- "Thanks for the yummy treats!"
- "Thank you for your tremendous support to our group. Merry Christmas to all."
- "Thank you for your kindness! God bless."
- "Thanks greatly for your support. We couldn't have done this without you."



United Women in Faith

The United Women in Faith will not be meeting in January. Their next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 12 at 9:00am at the church.



COMING SOON SHRED DAY

It's time to shred all your old papers, files and receipts

MORE INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE UPCOMING WEEKS. KEEP CHECKING THE CHURCH WEBSITE, FRIDAY EMAILS, NEWSLETTERS AND BULLETINS.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND DATES

- * S/PPRC - First Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm
- * 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



CHURCH CALENDAR - JANUARY

WEDNESDAY, JAN 1
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

THURSDAY, JAN 2
9:00am Chick Chat
7:00pm Scouts

FRIDAY, JAN 3
9:00am Cleaning Crew

SATURDAY, JAN 4
7:30am Journey Men
9:00am Quilters

SUNDAY, JAN 5
9:30am Worship
10:45am Sunday School

MONDAY, JAN 6
10:00am Parkinson's Group

TUESDAY, JAN 7
9:30am Tues AM Bible Study
10:00am Women's Bible Study
2:00pm Food Pantry Set Up
3:30-5pm Food Pantry Distribution
6:00pm S/PPRC
7:00pm AL-Anon

WEDNESDAY, JAN 8
7:30am Men's Bible Study (Original Pancake House)
5:30pm Trustees Mtg
6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JAN 9
9:00am Chick Chat
6:00pm Stewardship/Finance Mtg
6:00pm Troop 2119
7:00pm Scouts

FRIDAY, JAN 10
8:00am ESS Clean redoing bathroom/kitchen floors
9:00am Cleaning Crew

SUNDAY, JAN 12
9:30am Worship
10:45am Worship Team Mtg

MONDAY, JAN 13
10:00am Parkinson's Group
7:00pm Troop 101 Committee Mtg

TUESDAY, JAN 14
9:30am Tues AM Bible Study
10:00am Women's Bible Study
5:45pm Mission Team Mtg
7:00pm AL-Anon

WEDNESDAY, JAN 15
7:30am Men's Bible Study (Original Pancake House)
4:00pm Prayer Team
6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JAN 16
9:00am Chick Chat
6:00pm Ad Council Mtg
7:00pm Scouts

FRIDAY, JAN 17
9:00am Cleaning Crew

SATURDAY, JAN 18
7:30am Journey Men
9:00am Quilters

SUNDAY, JAN 19
9:30am Worship
10:45am Sunday School

MONDAY, JAN 20
10:00am Parkinson's Group

TUESDAY, JAN 21
9:30am Tues AM Bible Study
10:00am Women's Bible Study
7:00pm Al-Anon

WEDNESDAY, JAN 22
7:30am Men's Bible Study (Original Pancake House)
6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JAN 23
9:00am Chick Chat
7:00pm Scouts

FRIDAY, JAN 24
9:00am Cleaning Crew

SUNDAY, JAN 26
9:30am Worship
10:45am Sunday School

MONDAY, JAN 27
10:00am Parkinson's Group

TUESDAY, JAN 28
9:30am Tues AM Bible Study
10:00am Women's Bible Study
7:00pm Al-Anon

WEDNESDAY, JAN 29
7:30am Men's Bible Study (Original Pancake House)
6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JAN 30
9:00am Chick Chat
7:00pm Scouts

FRIDAY, JAN 31
9:00am Cleaning Crew

