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Deadline for December is November 28

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### United Parish Quilters

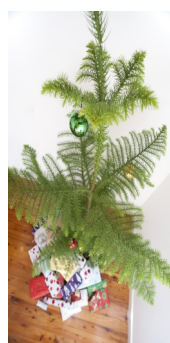
Sally Witteman - Linda &  
Da vid Kyle

Sympathy is extended to the Witteman family.

### The Cheerbox Mitten Tree

will be up from  
November 13th thru December 17th.  
Help keep someone warm this  
winter with your donations for  
mittens, gloves, caps, scarves  
and socks.

Thank you.



### Christmas - Baskets

Open for bidding on November 13th. Bidding closes before worship and baskets can be taken home after worship on: December 4th.



### Bake Sale

Bake sale will be held December 11th in the fellowship Hall **AFTER** church service.



# Up Beat

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER |  
UNITED PARISH  
NOVEMBER 2022

The United Parish has become a bee-hive of activity. Our Sunday School is off and running thanks to Amy Sand, Zahra Moss and Melissa and Andrew Bremmer with occasional help from Kari Demning and Crystal Moore. The Sunday school blessed our worship last week to the delight of every one present. Heartfelt thanks are sent to all who helped make it happen!

**Update on possible refugee resettlement in Bottineau.** The Bottineau Christian Ministerial Association met on October 19. We are forming a task force to pursue the matter and each church is asked to provide a couple members for the task force. If you are interested in helping pursue this important mission project, please let Pastor Beth know (605-870-1453). The task force will be formed at the BCMA meeting November 9.

**All Saint's Sunday is November 6.** During worship we will have a special recognition of our loved ones who have entered into their eternal home over the past year. Please let the church office know if you have loved ones who are not members of United Parish but have died in the past year so we can remember them also. There will be an opportunity to remember other loves who died in the more distant past.

**Advent study beginning Tuesday, November 29.** We will use Adam Hamilton's "Prepare the Way for the Lord: Advent and the Message of John the Baptist." The study will include a student book and a DVD with Pastor Hamilton speaking. Sessions will begin at 10 and end around 11:15.



The United Methodist Women received recognition for their mission work at the October meeting from the Shepherdess.

Who'll Say Grace by Dr. Ralph F. Wilson

A hot, glistening bird commands the laden table, as grandma calls everyone to dinner. Eight-year-old Jennifer proudly lugs her July-born sister to the table. Grandpa and dad get up slowly with a long backward glance to see the tight end catch a pass and be forced out of bounds at the twenty. The game continues in the background without them.

"Who'll say grace?" grandma asks. Grown-ups look awkwardly at each other in strained silence. Finally Uncle John snickers and parrots the word "grace," and laughter spills over the tension. Grandma steps in. "Jennifer, why don't you say the prayer you learned in Sunday School when you were in kindergarten." She recites. The feast begins.

Embarrassed silence replaces thanksgiving, gluttony displaces gratefulness. Thanksgiving--an expression of gratitude to God for benefits received--is too often absent from our hollow holiday. There is, however, an ancient custom which can reclaim the day.

We read, Jesus "took the seven loaves and the fish, and when he had given thanks, he broke them and gave them to the disciples." At the Last Supper Jesus took bread and gave thanks, lifted the cup, gave thanks and offered it to His followers. Jesus always prayed before meals.

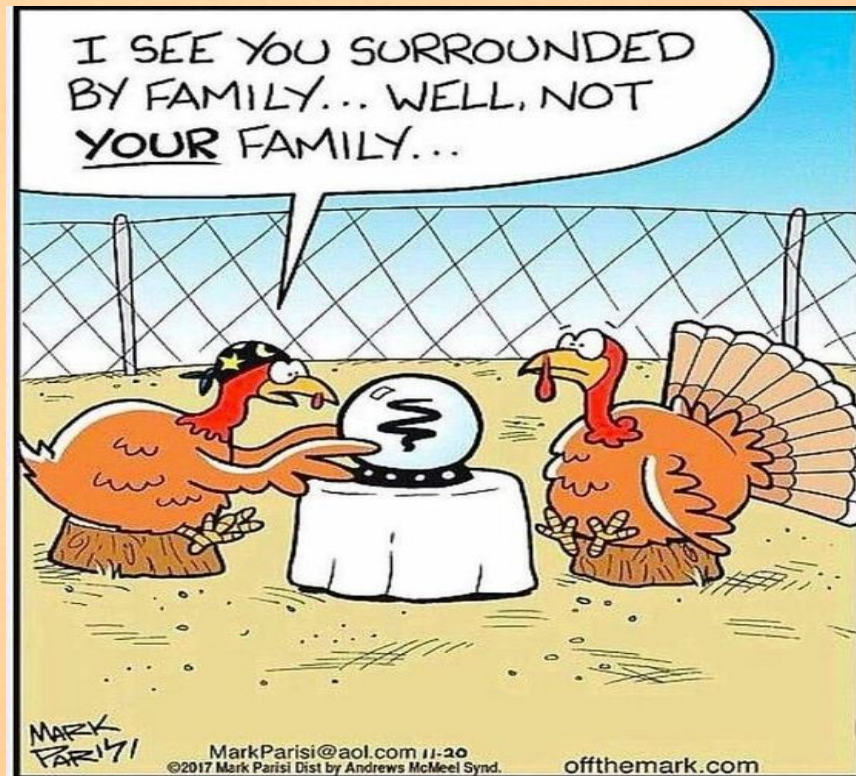
We can, too. A simple prayer of thanks at each family meal of the year will gradually restore thankfulness to us. As our children see us humble ourselves to thank our Creator, they too learn to be grateful. Robert Lintner said it well: "Thanksgiving was never meant to be shut up in a single day."

This habit of family thankfulness can begin round our tables this Thanksgiving--the first of many prayers of thanks to be offered, not just by Jennifer, but by her thankful mother and father as well.



**Anniversaries**

- 23 – Dwight & Gloria Olson
- 26 – Scott & Pat Kippen
- 28 – Jerry & Joan Wettlaufer



| Sun  | Mon   | Tue                      | Wed                         | Thu   | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---|-----|-----|
| 9 Sunday School Fellowship Bible Study   |  | 1                        | 2<br>2:00 PW<br>7:00 PC     | 3   | 4   | 5   |
| 6<br> | 7<br>10 Christian Crafters<br>6 Happy   | 8                        | 9<br>2:00 UMW               | 10  | 11  | 12  |
| 13 Family Nite Christmas Baskets bidding starts  | 14  | 15                       | 16                          | 17<br>11:30<br>Widow' Luncheon  | 18  | 19  |
| 20   | 21<br>10 Christian Crafters<br>6 Happy  | 22                       | 23<br>9:00 Food Preparation | 24<br>11 - 1 Thanksgiving Dinner  | 25  | 26  |
| 27   | 28<br>Newsletter Deadline   | 29<br>10:00 Advent Study | 30                          |  |     |     |

November

- 4-Nora Bangs
- 5 – Will Mercer
- 5 – Ashton Bernstein  
Blake Bernstein
- 19 – Evon Gravseth
- 24 – Dawn Patterson
- 27 – Les Patterson
- 29 – Camren Moore

