AnchorPark
United Methodist Church

The Mini-LINK

November 27th, 2022

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Serving Anchorage, AK since 1954

Keeping You Connected

Worship at 11am

facebook

Live streaming on Facebook Sundays 11am http://www.facebook.com/anchorparkumc

Our Office hours are 9am to 2pm Mon – Thur. Office # 907-277-0152 office@anchorpark.org

Hear the latest sermon and prayers from any phone, no codes or passwords required.

907-302-2795

https://tinyurl.com/svcxjaq

YouTube

Pastor Ken has a variety of postings throughout the week on Facebook and Instagram designed to keep you connected with Anchor Park.
Weekly: 60 Second Sermons and Breathe Prayers to encourage your spiritual growth.
On Wednesdays: Join Pastor Ken @ 12noon
Upper Room Wednesdays LIVE on Facebook. Each Upper Room Wednesday will be recorded and on APUMC's Facebook Page.

We Pray Together - Tuesday at 5pm
Zoom Link hosted by Judy Pendleton
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9072508464?pwd=TmdEM1dVYk9QQi81WEpZbUJ1SU1rUT09
Our Prayer Room at church is open to you any time the church office is open (9am to 2pm M-Th. If you would like another to pray with you, please call Judy Pendleton (907) 250-8464 to set up a meeting with a prayer buddy.
Prayer Labyrinth
Find calm and peace as you walk the Prayer Labyrinth in the Sanctuary. Take your time. Allow each step to be a breath, to be a prayer. Let the Spirit move you as you lift your cares and petitions to God. Enjoy the journey; travel it often. Open whenever the Prayer Room is open and by special arrangement.

RETURN OF POT LUCKS

The next Pot Luck will be Dec. 18th with a Christmas theme. So bring your favorite Christmas main dish, salad or desert to share.

Thanks, Vicki

ADVENT EVENT

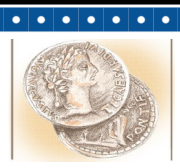
Hey kids, come for fun, crafts, decorating cookies and food on Sat. Dec.10th from 1-3pm as we celebrate the Advent Season.
Adults and youth, please sign up on the Connect if you can help in different ways.
Thanks, Vicki

'Tis the Season!

I hope everyone had a warm and loving Thanksgiving with family and friends. We all are really quite blessed! As of the writing of this MiniLINK, I do not know yet what the BackPack Buddies contribution was from the Special Thanksgiving Offering, but Judy will find out and let you know! A heart felt thank you goes out to all from the Outreach Mission team for your generosity and caring. As many of you know, at Christmas, we will share the Special Christmas Offering with the Downtown Hope Center (DHC). When the executive director of the DHC was asked what they needed, she said that they are trying to provide a simple twin bed for each of the 50 women that stay in the shelter every night. The DHC started the women's shelter in 2015 for 30 women and used mats on the floor for beds. They then moved up to cots, and now to an actual twin bed! Can you imagine what that would mean to you if you were in their position? So, your donation will go to help them buy twin beds. Some of you know about the incredible programs they make available for our homeless population to teach about Christ and to fight against homelessness itself. Their resources extend from simple food, clothing, laundry, and shower services to vocation training in a commercial kitchen and training in a bakery, all within the walls of the DHC! This isn't all, but it's a starter. The love of God is palpable there! Look for the December Link for more information about the Downtown Hope Center. As always at this time of the year, they are in need of warm clothing of all kinds and warm footwear. Items need not be new, but clean and in good condition is appreciated. We also collect hygiene items of all kinds. Men & women of all sizes are in need of these items. We have bins in the coffee room in which you can put your items. The items are delivered to the Downtown Hope Center as the bins fill up. As Outreach chair, I want to thank you for your loving and generous hearts. Without you, all that Anchor Park does simply would not happen. The lives of the women, children, and men that we help would be a little bleaker. There is enough in this world for everyone, if we share what we have with others. God bless you!! I learn from all of you! It is like Pastor Ken said last Sunday,
"Out roots intermingle and we are all strengthened! With joy",
Pam

SUNDAY KIDS KORNER

The last Sunday of Dec. is Christmas Day so there will not be a Sunday School class. Instead, you are all invited to attend the Advent Event on Sat., Dec.10th, 1-3 pm.
Thanks, Vicki



Bring your loose change to church and place it in the "mini-Church" up front or in the Change for Change can at the entrance to the sanctuary.

SMALL Donations
of the items are asked for. Not large, not expensive, nothing that depletes your resources. Just your small donation.
That's all that's needed.
If everyone participates, the Blessing Box will remain a blessing to the community.

BackPack Buddies

Thank you for your generous support! We serve food-challenged school kids who attend Airport Heights School. Please continue to help us to love these kids and to keep them fed. Those of you who like to shop, the details about what to buy are listed on the side of the donation basket located in the Robinson Room. If you don't have time to shop, please consider making BackPack Buddies your personal special monthly outreach program by supporting us financially with whatever you can. Just note on your donation to apply it to BackPack Buddies. Call or text Judy at (907) 250-8464 if you want to help.

Advent study

Sandra Woods will be offering an Advent study, Incarnation, on Wednesdays Nov 30, Dec 7, 14 and 21 from 6:30-7:30 in person or by Zoom.
In Incarnation: Rediscovering the Significance of Christmas, best-selling author Adam Hamilton examines the names of Christ used by the gospel writers, exploring the historical and personal significance of his birth.
Join Zoom Meeting
Go to https://zoom.us
Meeting ID: 826 0194 2240
Passcode: 3AZZfn
Blessings, Sandra

YOUTH GROUP

The Youth are doing Christmas wrap this Sunday at 4pm-7pm. Thank you, everyone for your support.

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HEIFER INTERNATIONAL

Heifer International is a non-profit organization working to end hunger and poverty while caring for the earth. The focus has always been on farming and agriculture. Cows ,goats, chickens, seeds, bees, etc. can provide so much for those living in hunger and poverty. You and your family can help by giving and receiving gifts that help those in need. If you are looking for the perfect gift for that person who has everything, buy a pig or a goat or some bees in their name. Or have your child help buy a flock of chickens, an alpaca or a water buffalo. There are so many options available. Pick up a Gift Catalogue in the Robinson Room and start your Christmas shopping. You can start a family tradition with ideas from the "Fill the Ark Giving Calendar " and fill a special jar with coins. Children of all ages learn that in giving they can help those less fortunate.
Thanks, Vicki

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