



Freeland United Methodist Church

FUMC Mission Statement

“A Christ centered mission minded community called to serve all people through God’s love.”

Worship Service In Person or Online via Zoom Sundays, 10:00 am

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Sisters and Brothers,

Our Christian year as a church begins on the 1st Sunday of Advent. Advent means coming or arrival. Advent is a preparation. A Preparation for the Mystery of Christmas. As we prepare, we must be aware, alive, attentive, alert, and awake. To see a glimpse of light for a glimmer of hope. Advent means to prepare ourselves for the presence of God in our journey and in our life. Then happiness will come, peace will be in our hearts and harmony will sing to us every day.

Isaiah 40:5

5 And the glory of the LORD will be revealed,
and all people will see it together.

For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.”

CARPE DIEM

Rev. Ernesto Mariona



*“Lord,
What do you
want to do
through me?”*



Freeland UMC Advent 2023

Advent Begins –1st Sunday December 3rd—Hope

2nd Sunday December 10th– Peace

3rd Sunday December 17th—Joy

4th Sunday December 24th– Love & Light

Blue Christmas Service—December 20th, 7:00pm

Wigglers & Giggles Service—Sunday, December 24th, 10:00 am

Christmas Eve Traditional Services-Sunday, December 25th, 7:00 pm

New Year's Eve—December 31st, 10:00 am Ugly Sweater

Christmas Eve Worship Services

Family Service

Dec 24th at 10:00am

Traditional Service

Dec 24th at 7:00pm



Worship Calendar

December 3rd– First Sunday of Advent and Communion

December 10th -Noisy Change Collection

December 20th -7:00pm Blue Christmas

Dec 24th -10:00am Wiggles and Giggles

Dec 24th -7:00pm Traditional Service

February 14th—7:00pm Ash Wednesday



FREELAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

BLUE CHRISTMAS

A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND HOPE

For more info, visit www.Freelandumc.org

Wednesday, December 20, 2023 7:00 P.M.
205 E. Washington Street
Freeland MI



IT'S ABOUT TO GET

UGLY

(UGLY SWEATER DAY)

**DECEMBER 31ST
AT 10:00 AM**

Don't forget your ugly Christmas sweater, to show off during worship and Coffee hour!!!!

WHERE:
Freeland United Methodist Church

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The office will be closed:

December 15th

Dec 25th

December 29th

January 1st—2024

Youth Ministry Events



This short but meaningful service is intended for those with lots of enthusiasm and energy for Christmas. Come as you are for this 30 minute, interactive worship geared towards children before you head out for your family activities.

Wiggling and giggling is encouraged! Christmas Eve Dec 24th at 10am.

Volunteers are needed for Make & Take night December 12th.

Volunteers needed in the kitchen to prepare taco dinner, and to run crafting stations for the kids. The parents will stay, but each station needs a guide.

All supplies and instructions are provided. If you are available, please see Tina Karnath or email tinamarie48604@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS MAKE & TAKE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12TH
TACO/NACHO BAR 5:30–6:15PM
CHRISTMAS CAROL KARAOKE & GIFT MAKING 6–7:30PM

CREATE MEMORIES AND TRADITIONS WITH
HOLIDAY KARAOKE, DIY GIFT-MAKING & DINNER

Gifts to make for everyone on your kids' list
WRAPPING STATION & COOKIES
Card station making for seniors and veterans
FREE— registration is required and limited to
50 children and their families.
Register via the webpage
www.freelandumc.org or email
tinamarie48604@gmail.com
with your child's first names, ages and the
total eating taco dinner.
Freeland United Methodist Church 205 E.
Washington St. Freeland



Mission Team Missions

We wish to give a great big thank you to everyone who made something for the mission's bake sale this year. It was a smashing success. We had cookies, cakes, bread, pies, trail mixes of candies, and jam. After selling on Sunday morning everything left was given to the following; Thanksgiving baskets, volunteers to the Eastside soup kitchen, cookies for future coffee hour, and goodies for Rev Ernesto and Judy to give to the shut-ins. They visited that week and our grand total for fire relief in Maui was \$1032.



Angel Tree

Another thank you to everyone who took the name of a child from the angel tree. We had 20 children this year. Also, a big thank you to those who gave money or donated extra gifts. The money was spent buying extra caps and gloves. The toys will be added where needed. As a church family, your generosity is much appreciated period you have helped to make some children in the Saginaw and surrounding area have a much-needed Christmas.

Wishing you all a blessed Christmas,
your missions committee.

Upcoming Meetings

- Mission Team – January 9th at 10AM
- Worship Meeting – January 10th 10AM
- Church Council Meeting – January at 16th at 6:30pm

Please Join US



Food Baskets

Dear church family, thank you! Thank you! Thank you! Again!
As the holidays are approaching quickly, the holiday food baskets are coming together nicely. The entire church family has made this happen.

Christmas-Wednesday, December 20th we will prepare and distribute.

The food baskets are a blessing to 26 households each holiday. Again, thank you, church family for making this happen once again. Monetary donations can be made to defray cost of perishable items.

Check payable to: Freeland UMC Memo line: Food Baskets

The following items needed for Christmas by December 14th

Christmas food donations needed:

15- Strawberry Jello

1-Pancake Mix

13- Bags of Oysters

14-Frosty Choc or Vanilla

15- Strawberry Jelly

4- Syrup

22-Cake Mixes

9- Baked beans

Again, thank you.

Happy holidays and god's blessing to everyone

Sally Jones, food basket project



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