

Edmonds United Methodist Church

Guidelights

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JANUARY 6 **Epiphany Sunday**

Pastor Sandy preaching
Holy Communion for all

JANUARY 13 **Epiphany II**

*Conversations with
an Atheist:*
1) *Does God Exist?*
Pastor Sandy preaching

JANUARY 20 **Epiphany III**

*Conversations with
an Atheist:*
2) *Is the Bible Violent?*
Pastor Sandy preaching

JANUARY 27 **Epiphany IV**

*Conversations with
an Atheist:*
3) *Are Christians
Hypocrites?*
Pastor Sandy preaching

Save The Dates:

- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner: March 5
- Women's Retreat: May, 2019
- Family Camp: June 21-23, 2019
- Vacation Bible School: July 15-19, 2019

The church will be closed on
Monday, January 21, 2019,
in honor of
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
We will reopen Tuesday, January
22, 2019, at 8:00 a.m.

Verse of the month

““For I know the plans I have
for you,” declares the Lord,
“plans to prosper you and
not to harm you, plans to
give you hope and a future.”

- *Jeremiah 29:11*

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How to have a great church meeting on a controversial issue? Bring your faith, voice, and ears

By Rev. Sandy Brown

We're having a passionate debate at church about whether or not our church should become an immigration sanctuary church (see related article on page 9). To my mind it will show the true colors of our church — are we strong enough and faithful enough that we can work together to make a tough decision?

Our biggest problem in church decisions like this is that we apply secular norms to a religious issue. In the secular world we have parties, caucuses, tribes, interest groups, divisions, and fights. In the religious world we have only two choices: our way or God's way. Usually it's easy to find our way to justify whatever we want; it's much harder to achieve consensus around what God wants.

So I think there are three things to bring to any good, juicy, healthy church controversy: our faith, our voice, and our ears.

Faith is the first ingredient because it's much more important for the church to be doing what God wants than it is for us to do what we want. We're the church after all. We're here to carry out God's will. If we were a club or a museum or a business it'd be a lot easier. We'd do what was best for the club, museum, or the business. As a church, we are called to "take up our cross," though, to offer sacrificial love in the name of God. So we have less interest in our self-preservation than in the advance of God's reign. Everything we do ultimately is for God, not us.

Voice is an important thing to bring, too. We can't make a difference if we don't show up. And if we show up and don't express ourselves we've missed an opportunity. I'm always sad when I hear a complaint and someone says, "I should've said something." Yep, that's right! Even if our voice quivers, we're told, say our truth. We come to realize the best and most persuasive viewpoints come from voices we have seldom heard. So bring your voice.

Ears are important as well. It's a little trite to remind us that we have two ears and one mouth, therefore we should listen twice as much as we speak. So I won't mention that. Instead I'd say that God often, ummm,

actually most always...speaks to us through someone else's voice. I can't tell you how many times a truth has come to me from someone else. Just as often it arrives that way as through prayer. Why? Because God speaks to churches through individuals, and the only way to make a decision together is to keep an open mind and hear what others are saying, even when they disagree. Let's start with an open mind, and bring our ears!

I've heard a few people worry during this conflict about whether it will "divide the church" like a conflict did in a big way some dozen years ago. I'd just like to point out a couple of things to consider — giving is up in a big way this fall, attendance is strong, there are lots of new families among us, we're doing big new programs like Transform and such. We're strong. And I truly believe we're stronger when we have good, honest, and open dialogue even if we might disagree. On the other side we will emerge more confident in our ability to weather a storm. We can use that strength to become even more effective at our mission. That's how we grow. I think people leave churches most frequently out of boredom or frustration because the church has stopped speaking out to real issues that affect real people. But if there's anxiety about this, let's just all agree we will stay connected to each other in love no matter the decision. So in addition to faith, voices, and ears, let's bring our love for each other to this decision as well. It will see us through, I know it will.

I'm praying for us as we grow stronger together.

God bless you all ~



Rev. Dr. Sanford "Sandy" Brown
Lead Pastor

Connect Learn and Grow! Adult Spirituality Winter Session

by Julie Boyd

Creative crafters, yoga, book and Bible studies, parents of teens support, plus men's groups are just a few of the wonderful ChristCare and Adult Spirituality Groups that will be kicking off in January. You are welcome to join us in being a part of our church family that gathers to study, play, and interact with others in meaningful and Christ-centered communities. Look for sign-ups that are two weeks only: January 20 and January 27. Winter session starts February 3. Connect, enjoy, learn, and grow!

A New Season of Transform is beginning in the new year!



As of the printing of this Guidelights, the Transform 100 course was full. A wait-list has been created for individuals still wishing to register for the class. Space is available in the Transform 200 and 300 courses.

Annual Report Submissions Due February 2019

by EUMC History Team

Dear church leaders and staff, submissions for the 2018 Annual Report will be due by the end of February, 2019. Stars will be given to those who turn in their report early.

Palestine-Israel Network of Edmonds/Lynnwood (PIN)

January 13, 11:45 a.m. in the Aldersgate Room.

You are invited to an introduction and video presentation about Cheryl Hay's recent trip to Israel/Palestine. A documentary, *Christians of Palestine: Life Behind the Wall* by Mary Davis will then be shown, followed by a time for questions and discussion. We hope you will join us. Light refreshments provided.

January Movie with a Message: *Borrowed Hearts*



Movies with a Message hosted by UMW will be showing *Borrowed Hearts* on Saturday, January 19, at 2:00p.m. in the Library.

"Kathleen's a hard-working single mother, who's saving to buy a house for herself and her daughter, Zoe. Sam's a businessman who has to pretend he has a family in order to close a deal with the mysterious Javier Del Campo. Sam owns the company that Kathleen works for, and as her boss, manages to convince her to help him out. But Del Campo is more than he seems, and it just might be Zoe who's making the real deal to get a new home for herself, her mother, and Sam." Image and summary courtesy of imdb.com

Edmonds Chapter of Alliance for Gun Responsibility

by Carol Megenity and Bill Lambert



The recent shooting and death of an Edmonds teen saddened us all. Beyond thoughts and prayers to her family, the Alliance for Gun Responsibility has reaffirmed its commitment to work for reasonable legislative action in 2019. For details see their website, gunresponsibility.org, or speak with a Chapter member.

Our January meeting will be held Thursday, January 24, at 7:00 p.m. in the church Library. We will have as our guests, Emily and Kyle Helms, who survived the Las Vegas shooting. They will share with us the firsthand experience of being in that situation. We will also continue our plans for the upcoming legislative session and determine where we will concentrate our focus. For additional information contact Carol Megenity or Bill Lambert.

Thank you to EUMC church members who contributed tents, sleeping bags & toiletries to the Hamilton Middle School Spanish class efforts...many of which are going down to the border to help the caravan families. Christmas Blessings to all.

“Coming to” You

From Our Immigration Team

Advent, or the “coming to,” inspires thoughts of who else besides Jesus is coming to us these days. Our families are traveling miles to be with us, just as Joseph and Mary traveled to be counted among their kin. And many from other lands are traveling to be with us in this country. Like Joseph, Mary, and Jesus did when they fled as refugees into Egypt; people from Central America are coming to our borders. Like the Holy Family; they are fleeing poverty, violence, and despair.

Of a total estimated 10,000 migrants in three caravans, around 2,600 have arrived in Tijuana. Of these, there are 275 boys and 144 girls, and 24 pregnant women. Not knowing the ages of the children, the government there has ordered a census. There are many little ones, and many babies. The government estimates that the travelers will wait a year or more at the border for the chance to apply for asylum. Like Jesus, they are coming to us. How will we receive them?

The question of how we will receive the advent of these travelers has enlivened our hearts and minds these last several months. Our striving to discern how to offer sanctuary as a whole church community has been difficult, but also fruitful. We have grown in intimacy and community with each other as we have shared together our most cherished convictions and deepest desires as Christians. As we wait for Jesus’ coming and for the coming of those who embody Him, we on the Immigration Team are grateful for this deeply grounded and compassionate community. With you we pray that Jesus will swiftly come and inhabit our hearts, and help us to transform our beautiful, beloved world.

Resilience for the Soul

by Erin Arguelles

Save the date for the EUMC Women's Retreat! All women are invited to a weekend of relaxation, rejuvenation, and rejoicing, May 3 - 5, 2019, at Warm Beach Camp. Registration will begin this month!



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United Methodist Women are Movers and Shakers

by Gay Johnson

United Methodist Women (UMW) is a group of dedicated ladies who want to make a difference in this world. We are helping with mission projects, hosting bazaars and bake sales, having a wonderful thrift shop in the church, and supporting charities that help women and children here and around the world. This year's bazaar totals are \$5,376.50 including jams/jellies and annual nut sales, though not all numbers are in yet. The rummage sale in July brought \$1,083. The Thrift shop is our life line and we have received \$7,313 in sales in the months of January through October 2018. We are proud to report donations to: UMW District pledge (\$4,000), Third Grade Bibles, UMCOR/Puerto Rico (Kids' Easter Challenge), Refugee Resettlement, Toy Shop, Food Bank, Kids in Transition, Youth program (Food Bank Mondays), Pathways for Women, Smile Train, Everett Gospel Mission/Women, UMW Legacy Fund, Ministry students (our own church), Aurora Commons, Atlantic Street Center, EUMC Women's Retreat, and others.

By year end, we also hope to support groups working with LGBTQ and a group fighting sexual assault and sex trafficking. Our totals for donations this year will be \$17,716. We have purchased new books to introduce the UMW reading program to the church. Please check out our library bookcase and earn a certificate at the end of next September. All are welcome. We meet monthly on the third Sunday of the month in Room 113 at 11:45 a.m. with lunch. Our Movie with a Message (open to all) is on the third Saturday of each month in the Library at 2:00 p.m. during the winter months. Watch our bulletin board for upcoming events. We support this church and the surrounding community. We hope you will support us as well.

Edmonds Center for the Arts and Lift Every Voice Legacy

Presents

A Tribute to Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Inspiring a Beloved Community in Song, Spoken Word and Dance



January 21, 2019

7:30 p.m.

Edmonds Center for the Arts

410 Fourth Avenue North

Edmonds, WA 98020

MLK Tribute

Monday, January 21, 2019 | 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. | Edmonds Center for the Arts
by Jennifer McLaughlin

EUMC is invited to continue the learning we began at Vacation Bible School last summer in our conversation about racism by participating in Edmonds' first MLK event designed to inspire a local living environment free of hatred, injustice, and poverty. Our Director of Family Ministries Jen McLaughlin is one of the organizers of this event at Edmonds Center for the Arts and invites our entire congregation to attend this special event. Interactive activities and snacks will be available in the lobby. The grant funding our VBS curriculum is also supporting this terrific continuing education experience. Come have your spirits lifted through triumphant life stories of overcoming poverty,

racism, and sexism; as well as musical performances which invite us deeper into African American heritage.

10:00 a.m. – Free family-friendly presentations include performances by: Kaleidoscope Dance Company and Northside STEP team!

7:30 p.m. - Performances include: The Sound of the Northwest choral ensemble, directed by Juan Huey-Ray, storyteller Dr. Gloria Burgess, Barclay Shelton Dance Center with Price Arts Dance, jazz singer Josephine Howell. General Admission tickets are \$10; \$5 for students; and \$12 the day of the event. For the tickets and information, contact the ECA Box Office at 425.275.9595 or online at ec4arts.org.

Youth Ministry Brings in the New Year with Service, Mission, Outings and a New Small Group!

by Greg McLaughlin

Greetings EUMC friends from the Youth Program, a ministry of Edmonds United Methodist Church serving young people grades 5-12 in a variety of opportunities to help them grow closer to God through mission, service, worship, and fellowship. EUMC is a place that believes kids and youth are a critical part of worship, service, and life of our church community.

We had a fantastic Fall of 2018, as over sixty EUMC youth in grades 5-12 engaged in fellowship and the "discipleship of doing." Most excitingly, Edmonds Youth were front and center for the **new Food Bank distribution** on Monday afternoons. **Over twenty youth volunteered** to make this a huge success. Thanks to the organizational efforts of our **Youth Engagement Coordinator Lindsay Hogan**, the Monday evening distribution grew quickly from a few families in September to **servicing over eighty families (!)** by Thanksgiving. This new ministry puts our faith in to practice, providing kindness and service to those who need it most. Other highlights:

- **Outings and Small Groups** - Youth gathered on Monday evenings from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., after Food Bank Service night, to build fellowship, and also attended fun outings like the Halloween Corn Maze and Annual Christmas party. We also hosted 4 special gatherings for our vibrant "Club 56" group of 5th and 6th graders.
- **Retreats** - Fourteen EUMC youth attended the November Youth Retreat "Lights, Camera, Action" at Camp Indianola.
- **Christmas Elves!** - Youth were a huge part of the Toy Shop Hospitality Suite, the Spiral Service, and Christmas Eve Services at EUMC.
- **Sunday School** - We've had a very active and growing 5th-8th grade Sunday school class this fall.

Looking on to 2019, we are expanding our small group offerings with a new Sunday evening group, continuing our Food Bank ministry and Monday evening small group, and gearing up for the 2019 Mission Trip(s).

***NEW* High School Sunday Evening Small Group** **Sundays, 6:30-8:00 p.m., January 13-March 3**

Lindsay is leading a new Sunday evening small group for high schoolers beginning January 13, at 6:30 p.m., in the Youth Hall. The small group will follow along with Pastor Sandy's preaching series, *Conversations With an Atheist*. It's a fantastic chance for youth to explore their questions of faith alongside their doubts, as well as spend time together in fellowship. This is a great

opportunity for more mature youth to explore and deepen their own beliefs about God. Sign up today by emailing Lindsayh@edmondsumc.org.

Food Bank Monday Distribution **Mondays, 4:00-7:00 p.m.**

Youth ages 13 and up can volunteer directly, and ages 10-12 can volunteer with a parent or Guardian. Sign up for shifts from 3:00-5:00 p.m., 4:00-6:00p.m., or 5:00-7:00 p.m. by contacting Lindsay Hogan at Lindsayh@edmondsumc.org. Monday Youth Fellowship Dinner Group will continue to meet at 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. on most Mondays following the Food Bank distribution.

SUMMER 2019 Mission Trip - "Learning & Serving Together" (LAST) | Portland, OR

July 28 - August 2, 2019, serving with L.A.S.T., a service-learning project that links small groups of youth and adults with service opportunities. A program that doesn't "stop at service;" youth and adults are encouraged to think through what they are doing from a biblical perspective. We also study together the root causes of poverty and examine ways in which we all can be a part of the greater solution." Email gregm@edmondsumc.org if your youth are interested in going. Registration forms will go out in January. Cost is \$350. More information at <http://www.lastnw.com/>

Tentative 2019 Intergenerational Mission Trip | **July 24 - 28, 2019 | Tuscon, AZ**

EUMC youth and family ministries, in cooperation with Pastor Clarissa and the Immigration Team, is tentatively evaluating the feasibility of an intergenerational trip to the U.S./Mexico border. This mission trip would be open to Youth, grades 9-12, who have been on an EUMC mission trip previously. Cost is \$600-\$1200 and more information can be found at www.borderlinks.org. If interested, please email gregm@edmondsumc.org.

Learn more about events for children, youth, and families by contacting...

- Jennifer McLaughlin, Director of Family Ministries, 425-778-2119, jenniferm@edmondsumc.org
- Greg McLaughlin, Director of Youth Ministries, gregm@edmondsumc.org, 425-616-6153



THANK YOU!

To our dear congregants, thank you for making 2018 such a special year in ministry with us, the Edmonds UMC Staff. Your faith, dedication, and exuberance make worshipping God, growing in faith, and serving the world a blessing each day. Many thanks and joys to you in 2019!

Death

Rev. Mike Jackson,
husband of June Jackson, former
EUMC Adult Spiritual Formation
Director, passed into eternal life on
Wednesday, November 28, 2018.

A service will be held
Friday, January 11, 2019,
at St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral,
Seattle, WA, at 1:30p.m.

Dear God, receive this loved one into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints of light. Amen.

Thank You from the Toy Shop!

Thank you to all of the wonderful volunteers who gave their time, gifts, and passion to make the 2018 Toy Shop a success. Your generous donations helped to provide Christmas for 283 families and over 1000 children in our community. Photographs by Julie Boyd.



Important Background Information on the Immigration Sanctuary Proposal

by Pastor Sandy Brown

Over the last two years our church has been studying the problems in our nation's immigration system, listening to voices from inside and outside our congregation about issues in our current system. Our own church's study confirms the views of liberal voices like the Center for American Progress, the Southern Poverty Law Center, and Amnesty International; moderate voices like the Brookings Institution and conservative voices like the US Chamber of Commerce, the Cato Institute and the George W. Bush Presidential Center — that our antiquated system is in need of major and immediate repairs as it continues to destroy lives and break up families. The primary problem of our immigration system, which has not been revised since 1986, is that there are so few ways to become legal, forcing migrants underground and often separating families. We learned, too, that our United Methodist denomination encourages congregations to stand with migrants, affirming that "Welcoming the migrant is not only an act of mission; it is an opportunity to receive God's grace."

In response, our Immigration Team has presented a proposal that would allow our church to join a nationwide network of 800 other churches who offer sanctuary to undocumented immigrants, including those who are in the midst of their lawful immigration application but fear they will be put in detention and/or deported.

Obviously it's a big decision for us. Here are some issues to understand as you consider your opinion:

Reform of our immigration system is a very important local and national issue, but governmental leaders have failed to act

In comparison to other social problems, immigration is one of the largest. Nationally it is estimated there are around 550,000 homeless people, while there are believed to be around 11 million undocumented residents, many of whom work, pay taxes and have family members who are US Citizens. Even so, Congress continues to be unable to pass immigration reform. We have participants in our church who are undocumented and are awaiting adjudication of their request to receive work permits and/or asylum in the U.S.

Immigration sanctuary by churches is a practical and symbolic statement

Though one person or family per church is helped with shelter, the larger purpose of the immigration

sanctuary movement is to encourage reform of our immigration system. Some 60 United Methodist Churches have taken this stand, and our United Methodist denomination urges churches to "support those churches that prayerfully choose to offer sanctuary to undocumented migrants facing deportation...." These churches are taking the lead as they interpret the need for immigration reform to over 800 communities.

Sometimes faith communities use civil disobedience to raise awareness of the need for social change

Faith-based civil disobedience, in which churches seek to honor God's will above human laws, has a long history in the U.S. Though it was illegal to shelter a runaway slave in the early 19th c, Harriett Tubman and her church helped former slaves escape to Canada through a network of churches. One of the best expressions of faith-based civil disobedience is Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "Letter from a Birmingham Jail," in which the Civil Rights leader shared Biblical stories about civil disobedience while justifying its use against racist laws in the South. Churches took the lead, using acts of civil disobedience, in the Abolitionist movement, the women's suffrage movement, and the civil rights movement.

The risks to our church are low, but not zero

Sanctuary churches enter a grey-area of the law in which they honor legal proscriptions against secretly "harboring" illegal residents by notifying local authorities of their presence at the church facility. Because authorities are aware, and because it is the policy of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) not to enter religious facilities, none of the 800 sanctuary churches have been prosecuted nor has found its assets placed in jeopardy. This special status gives religious organizations a unique responsibility granted to no other organization in our nation. Sanctuary churches are encouraged to investigate purchasing an insurance rider to specifically cover this action. Also, sanctuary churches must extend to this program their "safe church" policies that protect children from potential abuse. A criminal background check would be required, and it is possible to do a background check without a Social Security number or driver license.

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What are the logistics for a person living in the church building?

The current proposal calls for a single individual, in danger of being separated from his/her family, to be housed in the former Movie Theater room in the church's ground floor, using shower facilities in the nearby bathroom and kitchen facilities in one of the church's kitchens. Laundry would be done offsite. The church has a valid permit with City of Edmonds for overnight housing in the church building. An alternate proposal is emerging to house the person in a mobile home on our property.

We Are being called to make a spiritual decision and to listen for God's voice

All missional decisions by a church must be driven by responsiveness to God's will. The question facing our congregation is a theological and spiritual question in which we ask ourselves, do we believe this particular strategy responds to God's Biblical call of compassion to people in need, and will it be effective in helping meet that need?

2019 Pledge Update

Thank you to all the congregants who made a pledge to Edmonds United Methodist Church for 2019. Our current pledge total is \$930,064 from 264 pledge units, our highest pledge total in 10 years! The church also received 22 new pledges totaling \$56,052 which is an exciting sign of growth in our congregation.

If you haven't yet submitted your pledge for 2019, please continue to submit your pledge as we still hope to reach our goal of \$1 million in pledges. If you have any questions about the finances of the church, please contact Julie Trott at Juliet@edmondsumc.org / 425-778-2119, ext. 104.

**A Letter from Heather Peterson-Bruno,
Children's Center Director**



Dear Children's Center Families, Staff, and Congregants of Edmonds UMC,

This has marked my 18th year of working at The Children's Center!

The Children's Center community has been my family all these years, and enabled

me to raise my son in a wonderfully supportive and loving environment while being able to provide the same love and support to other parents while they raise their own children. Being the Director of the Debbie Leraas Children's Center has been the most rewarding experience of my career but God has been preparing my heart for a new path.

So it is with most heartfelt gratitude I announce that I will be stepping down from my position as the Director to pursue new opportunities for building stronger futures for children, families and teachers in the Early Childhood profession. It is with both fear and faith that I take this leap!

I know that change can be difficult! But it is always ...yes always ... a chance for growth and improvement. The Children's Center has been through many changes over the years, and each change has positively contributed to the program becoming better, stronger, and a more fruitful ministry.

During my time here a more vibrant and loving community has continued to emerge. Together, we have laid a solid foundation that will be built upon to serve children and families for years to come. I am incredibly proud of what we have accomplished and because of our work and who you all are, I am confident that the Children's Center will continue to thrive with new leadership... I am excited for what the future holds and hope you will be too!

My last day will be January 4th and I hope to see and thank each of you personally before then!

I have so many happy memories that I will carry with me always. My heart is full of thanks to you for sharing your lives and your most precious children with me over these many years.

It has been my privilege and joy.

May God bless your family with health and happiness! Much, much love,
Heather

A New Way to Give at Edmonds UMC

by Jessica Pair

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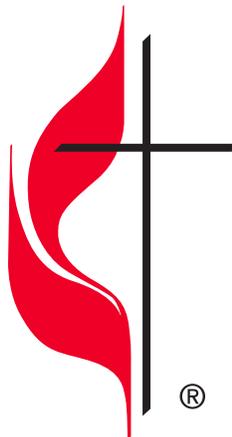
Our church is in the process of switching from the PayPal giving system to FellowshipOne. This new system will allow everyone the ability to make a one-time donation or sign-up to make recurring automated donations. FellowshipOne will also be our database software which means you'll be able to check your pledge status, past donations, or quarterly giving in a breeze.

To make a donation or setup your online giving account, go to www.edmondsumc.org/give and click the "Give Online" button highlighted in red.

If you need assistance in using the new FellowshipOne Giving system contact Jessica Pair or Julie Trott in the church office at 425-778-2119.

"The Way Forward" Discussion

by Keith Skore



A Special Session of the General Conference will be held in St. Louis, Missouri on February 23-26, 2019, to consider proposals for reorganization of the United Methodist Church to address controversy around LGBTQ inclusion issues. A Commission created by the 2016 General Conference Meeting has submitted three alternative proposals titled: The One Church Plan, The Connectional Conference Plan, and the Traditional Plan. A fourth plan, The Simple Plan, has been brought forward and will also be considered.

Any action taken at this Special Session will have some impact on local churches, but will primarily effects the organization at the Conference and Jurisdictional levels. Information regarding the plans under consideration, their potential impact, and consideration of any questions will be provided during meetings to be held:

- Sunday, January 27, at 11:45 a.m.
- Sunday, February 3, at 10:30 a.m.

For more information contact one of our Lay Members to Annual Conference: Keith Skore & Tammy Jane.

February Guidelights

Articles for the February issue of Guidelights are due by **Sunday, January 20**, at 12:00p.m. Please limit articles to 300 words. Articles can be sent to Jessica Pair at jessicap@edmondsumc.org.

Financial Report	November	Jan. - Nov.
Income (Pledges & Other Income)	\$54,368	\$945,743
Income (Children's Center)	\$46,413	\$551,799
Total Income (Month/Year):	\$100,780	\$1,497,542
Expense (Staff, Ministry & Programs)	\$101,772	\$1,027,327
Expense (Children's Center)	\$45,085	\$518,235
Total Expense (Month/Year):	\$146,857	\$1,545,562



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Join us for Sunday worship at 9:00a.m. & 10:30a.m.

Organ Celebration Concert on January 20!



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At 3:00 p.m. on January 20, EUMC will celebrate the completion of our pipe organ with a concert featuring past and present organists! It will be a significant event in the musical life of our church, marking the end of over 10 years of effort to replace the old organ with our beautiful current instrument.

We will be blessed with favorite selections played by organists Stephen Marshall-Ward, Wanda Griffiths, Henry Lebedinsky, and Hyun-Ja Choi, as well as Pastor Sandy Brown.

Admission is free, a free-will offering will be taken to support EUMC music ministries, and a reception will follow! Be sure to mark this on your January calendars!