#### **Coats Wanted**

There are several coat drives in the area going on.

Anyone wishing to donate may bring any clean,
gently used fall or winter coats or jackets to the church.

Betty Briggs has volunteered to take them to the proper organization by November 17th.

#### Harvest Festival

On Sunday, November 24th we will celebrate the Harvest Festival. The altar will be decorated with fresh fruits and vegetables. The congregation is asked to bring large-size canned goods and/or non-perishable food items to the service that day. You may ald so make a financial contribution.

All proceeds will be given to the Lansing Rescue Mission.

May we once again display our Mayflower generosity for this worthwhile project.

Questions??? Call Roger at 646-8861



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# It's happening in November...

11/3 - Daylight Savings Time ends - fall back 1 hour

11/3 - Communion

11/12 - Mission Meals -11 a.m.

11/15 - Deadline for December Mayflower Notes

11/19 - Ministry Council - 7:00 p.m.

11/24 - Harvest Festival

11/26 - Mision Meals - 11:00 a,m,

11-28 - Thanksgiving Day

## Weekly Events:

Fellowship Hour - Sundays after worship service

Women's Bible Study - Wed. - 10:30 a.m.

Exercise - Tues., Wed., Thurs. - 8:00 a.m. on Zoom

Handbell Choir - Thurs. - 4:15

Chancel Choir - Thurs. - 5:30



## November



## BIRTHDAYS

11/1 - Ann McClelland

11/2 - Frank Wheeler

11/7 - Regina Dunn

11/9 - Ross Jones

11/15 -Barbara Fuller

11/18 - Arlene Moore

11/20 -Ina Martin (99 years)

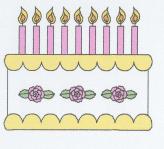
## **ANNIVERSARIES**

11/20 - Larry and Louise Koster (59 years)

11/25 - Roger and Meredith Kennedy (57 years)

## OUTREACH FOCUS

Harvest Festival





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#### **Newer Members**

This month I interviewed Tom and Marcia Cornell. They came to Mayflower after attending Plymouth Congregational Church for many years. Tom and Marcia say attending Mayflower felt like coming home. Friends and the Congregation affiliation were a strong attraction.

Tom was raised in several places; Clarkston, Oscoda and Alpena. Marcia was raised in Alma. Tom started his college education at Delta College. He attended the MSU band camp in the summer and was recruited for the flag corps, He finished his degree at MSU. Marcia attended Lansing Business University. To attain her degree she had to be able to type 110 words per minute. She worked for the State of Michigan in Human Resources for many years..

Marcia is a very talented gardener, she also enjoys decorating and entertaining. She is currently a Human Resources Teaching Consultant and provides classes in various areas of the state.

Tom has worked at Marshall Music and has gone to different schools in Michigan to get students with instruments. He is currently a permanent substitute for the Waverly School District. For anyone who has ever subbed, it is a job that needs a definite personality and calm patience. Tom also plays percussion in the Grand Ledge Community Band.

The Cornell's have five grandchildren; 4 girls and a boy. They would like to see Mayflower adopt a curriculum for children and provide Sunday School classes. They would love to see more children attend Mayfower.

#### Lewton School

We have been asked to collect tissues, antiseptic wipes and spray for our neighborhood school teachers. They have also requested brightly colored dry-erase markers to be used by the students. There will be a collection container in the office area. Please bring items by October 20th. Thank you!

### Music Notes from Barb Fuller



If you attended the Rally Day ice cream social in September and stayed to listen to The Wacoustics, the musical group (of which I am one) that several of our church members and their family members are a part of, you may remember that our parting song was "The Twist". If you're like me, you may have thought that "The Twist" was originally sung by Chubby Checker, but it peaked at No. 16 on the Billboard rhythm and blues chart in 1959 when it was recorded by its author, Hank Ballard, whose band The Midnighters performed it on stage.

Chubby Checker, born Ernest Evans, was born on October 1941 in Spring Gully, South Carolina. He was raised in the projects of South Philadelphia, where he lived with his parents and two brothers. By the time he was eleven he had formed a street-corner harmony group, and by the time he entered high school, he had learned to play the piano. He entertained his classmates by performing vocal impressions of popular entertainers such as Jerry Lee Lewis, Elvis Presley and Fats Domino.

Checker's version of "The Twist" became a nationwide hit in 1960 due to his many appearances on Dick Clark's American Bandstand due, in great part, to the teenagers on the show who enjoyed dancing the Twist. Unfortunately, Checker felt that his critics thought he could only succeed as a dance demonstrator and is quoted as saying, "The Twist really ruined my life. I was on my way to becoming a big nightclub performer, and The Twist just wiped it out ... It got so out of proportion. No one ever believes I have talent." By 1965 alone "The Twist" had sold over 15 million copies and was awarded multiple gold discs.

Despite his concerns, Checker found more success with other uptempo songs including "The Hucklebuck," "The Fly," "Dance the Mess Around," and "Pony Time," which became his second No. 1 single. Checker's follow-up single, "Let's Twist Again" won the 1962 Grammy Award for Best Rock and Roll Recording, and he continued to experience more success with subsequent songs.

Chubby Checker is still alive today. As of 2015, he joined forces with Howard Perl Entertainment to produce live events, such as "Rock and Roll to The Rescue," a tour designed to raise funds for rescue animals in need nationwide. Good old Chubby Checker. "Let's twist again, like we did last summer!"

#### Meet Daun Ketcheson

Daun and Roy came to Mayflower when Plymouth was closing. They came to Mayflower as they knew members here from their past connections as members of Mayflower at the time.

Daun says that they found Mayflower to be a joyous, accepting community.

She is originally from Carson City. She came to Lansing to find a job and go to college at MSU. Daun lived at the YWCA at the time.

A friend convinced her to attend an accordian program where she met Roy.

Daun worked at Neogen Corporation full time.

Her hobbies include counted cross stitch and knitting.

Daun self-studied to become a Lay Mnister at Plymouth.

Dawn would like to see Mayflower grow and attract young people. She also encourages us to continue to pursue outreach projects and more presentations on justice topics similar to the ones Dave Bandfield has presented recently in after church discussions.



The mitten tree will be available in the lobby for you to donate articles of warm winter outer wear; mittens, scarves, and hats.

Please bring items to the office or donate money to the cause if you are not able to shop.

The tree will remain in the lobby until January. In leiu of articles for the tree money may be donated through the church office.

## Pastor Mark's Musings

The origin of the word November is confusing. It comes from the Latin word "novem" meaning 'nine.' December"s root is the Latin word "decem" meaning ten. The confusion is that the Roman calendar had only ten months, November being the month month. In 1582, the Gregorian calendar was adopted which added January and February to the calendar as we know it today. I thought you might want to know!

When we think of November, we usually don't think numerically. The thought that most often comes to mind is that of an American holiday which occurs on the fourth Thursday of November. That of course is Thanksgiving. This year Thanksgiving occurs the latest it can which is on the 28th of the month. That will give us less time to get our Christmas shopping done! Better start early l

Speaking of Thanksgiving, most of us follow tradition and use the opportunity to thank God for all our blessings, most often around a table of food with family. As good as that tradition is, I challenge each of us to go a little farther this year. It takes a little more vulnerability to recognize and thank those folks in our lives who have been a special blessing whether it is over a long period of time, or a more recent one-time example of a special blessing. This year, surprise home folks by expressing how they have been God's special agent of blessing in your life.

Pastor Mark

### **Mayflower Mission Statement**

As the Beloved Community of Christ, we commit

ourselves to invite, accept and

affirm all of God's children.

We will serve, love and give to all humankind

as we worship learn and grow together.

