

Spread hope
this holiday!

Samaritas™

in association with Season of Giving Partner



At Samaritas, we believe that every child in our care deserves a happy holiday. Our Christmas Wish program serves children in Samaritas who miss out on other statewide gift-giving opportunities due to age, date of entry into care, or type of care. Your gift can make their holiday wishes possible.

Register as a Donor

Statewide, hundreds of Samaritas clients received holiday gifts from Michiganders like you last year. You can sign-up as donor by scanning the QR code on this flyer or visiting Samaritas.co/GiveAWish.

Gift Options

Your gift-giving can benefit children in Samaritas' Foster Care, Family Preservation, Affordable Living, and/or New Americans services.

Ways to Give:

- Sign up to receive a wish list written by a child in Foster Care, Family Preservation, or Affordable Living. Wish lists will go out to donors beginning in early November. Gifts are due in early to mid-December (dates vary by program).
- Donate individual toys to refugee children resettled through Samaritas' New Americans program.
- Collect gift cards (\$25 & \$50) that will be used to purchase Christmas gifts for children who enter care close to the holidays.

Please drop your gift/toy off at the church office. Donations can be made to the church with Samaritas Christmas in the memo line.

Visit Samaritas.org/ChristmasWish for more information about this program.

Please contact Mary Zimble at (810) 629-0884 or Jay Kirkey at (810) 813-1988 with questions.



What's Happening at FFPC

Elders and Deacons, current and incoming. Please make sure you get your picture taken for our leader board in the New Narthex.

Be sure to visit the sign-up table before you leave on Sunday mornings! There are many opportunities to volunteer and serve.

November 17th - Congregational Meeting after worship.

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November 24th - Hanging of the Greens after worship.

December 7th - Jinglefest, Live Nativity and Warming Center! Sign-up to volunteer in Fellowship Hall.

Live Nativity Sponsors Needed! Contact the office for more information.

Closed Captions during worship are available on the TV located in the Sanctuary Annex. Please see Mike Cupp or Kelly Sunman-Davis with questions.

Children's Sunday School and Worship Information

Class begins at 10AM and children return to worship after the sermon where they are welcome to either sit with their parents or with Miss Tina. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Tina Ritchie @tina@ffpc.org.

Youth Schedule

November

Sun 24, 12-2PM: Triple C - cookies, cards and crafts for care receivers in the youth room - Jet's pizza provided. Preschool and Elementary children with parents are welcome to join us!

Surviving the Holidays Griefshare Event! Grief is harder around the holidays. More than just practical tips, GriefShare Surviving the Holidays is a community of people who know what it's like to walk through the holidays in grief. You will find connection and comfort in knowing you're not alone this season. Join us for this 2-hour event on November 17th from 11:30am-1:30pm.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study - 11AM - 12:15PM

Led by Pastor Robbie, this group meets in the Conference Room and is viewing and discussing season 4 of The Chosen.

Do you knit or crochet? Join our knitting group on Tuesday afternoons, from 1pm-2pm in the Adult Library.

Communion Table Flowers are a wonderful way to honor a person, couple or special occasion. If you would like to purchase an arrangement, please contact Heidi Roberts at hroberts6862@gmail.com.

Do you use the T Coil hearing loop? If you are having trouble with the system, please info Mike Cupp.

Flood Relief Mission Project

On November 24th at 6:30, we will join members of other Fenton-area churches at the Family Life Center of Fenton United Methodist Church to help people in the southern US who've experienced flooding. We will be filling clean-up buckets and cutting shopping bags into strips to make plarn (to be used to make large, waterproof bags). Up until the event, we are collecting clean shopping bags with no holes from Walmart and VGs. Sign up for the event and donate your shopping bags in fellowship hall.

Refugee Information! It is really wonderful that there are now so many opportunities to get involved locally in the important work of refugee resettlement. To keep it all organized, we now have a sign-up-genius site to list all of the needs for both donations and volunteers. You can check it out here.

Don't forget, if you are interested in any of the opportunities that will involve working directly with refugee arrivals, please register as a Samaritas volunteer using this link. The process is simple! And our Amazon registry is always being updated with our current needs. You can use our wish list link to have items shipped directly. Finally, as more refugees arrive we would love to have more volunteers. Please consider sharing this email with a friend!



For more information or to volunteer please visit <https://ffpc.org/samaritas/> or scan the code

Jinglefest is fast approaching and help is needed for both our Live Nativity & Warming Center

Live Nativity

Saturday, December 7 from 3-5pm in our courtyard

Please see Cheryl Kopplin or Jeanne Cupp to choose your costume!

Sign up in Fellowship Hall to be an Angel, Mary, Joseph, or one of the Kings or Shepherds.

Jinglefest Cookie Announcement

Warming Center

Saturday, December 7 from 3-5pm in Fellowship Hall

We are looking for people to donate cookies for the event

Look for the sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall



YOU INVITED TO A

Family Christmas

FENTON FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Cookies & Carols at 3:30pm Christmas Eve Service at 4:15pm Christmas Vigil at 11:15pm