



# THE ALDERSGATE EXPERIENCE

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## JANUARY MISSION PROJECT



This month's mission project is to collect funds for **Heifer International**. You may know it as "the Heifer Project." Heifer international does incredible work around the world, helping provide opportunities for self-sustenance to the impoverished.

Right now, Heifer Int'l has a quadruple(!!!) contribution-matching campaign ongoing. Thus, we have set a goal of raising **\$1,000** this month so we can have a \$4,000 impact. Please make checks out to AUMC. Note "missions" on memo lines/envelopes/online gifts. Thank you for supporting the missions work of Aldersgate.



Diane Barfield is now our **Social Media Coordinator**. Please pass along pictures and announcements so that we can let the community know how active and busy we are! Text Diane at **(917) 447-1708**.

### TODAY'S SCRIPTURE:

## JOHN 2:1-11

*The Wedding at Cana*

**2** On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup>When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." <sup>6</sup>Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup>He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup>Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.



United  
Women  
in Faith

The AUMC United Women in Faith had planned to have their annual Spaghetti Fundraiser Luncheon this past autumn, but various things saw it get postponed. Lucky for us, they have set a date! Please plan to stay after worship on **Sunday, February 16**, and join us all in enjoying the great food and fellowship. **This meal is a fundraiser!** All funds raised will go towards supporting the UWF's missions projects.



The cold grip of midwinter is upon us, and with it comes a huge increase in the number of people who need a safe, warm place to sleep at night. Bethel Shelters provides such a place, but they (as with most such aid facilities in the region) are greatly overburdened by the demand every year. So, along with other area churches, we will act as an overflow facility from **7pm to 7am** nightly, beginning **next Sunday** evening, **January 26**, and ending the morning of **February 9**.

This will be Aldersgate's third year in a row as an overflow shelter during the worst part of the winter months. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time. There will be onsite security and protocols to guarantee the church's safety, and that of our guests as well.

*Gifts have been given to the Glory of God, in memory of John Threatt, Fred Littenberg, and Harvey Mayhill, to Heifer Int'l, by John & Donna Hauenstein.*

*Gifts have also been given, in memory of Fred Littenberg and Harvey Mayhill, to Heifer Int'l, by Fran Threatt.*

*A gift has been given, in memory of John Threatt, to Heifer Int'l, by Regina Friedman. Another gift has been given, in memory of John Threatt, to the church budget, by Parker Carter.*

*Finally, a gift has been given, in honor of Wayne Miller and the A/V Team, to the A/V fund, by Fran Threatt.*

## JOIN THE SUNDAY LUNCH BUNCH!



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Chester Hwy  
McConnells (29726)



Our first chance to serve at Plentiful Harvest Kitchen in 2025 comes **NEXT Sunday, January 26**. Plentiful Harvest is an extremely important area ministry fighting the good fight against the food insecurity faced by so many people in our community. Hot meals are cooked and packed into takeaway trays, then distributed. The prep/cook shift begins at **2pm** and runs until **4pm**, at which point the work turns towards serving and cleaning up afterward. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Thank you to everyone who helps to, as Pastor Steve puts it, see the face of Jesus in our community via volunteering for Plentiful Harvest.

**»N.B.: SIGNING UP ONLINE NOW POSSIBLE!«**

*There is also a sign-up form on our new website. We are considering using this format for all sign-up events moving forward.*

*Please consider trying it out; you can access it by clicking the "Plentiful Harvest Kitchen" event on the website's calendar, by clicking [HERE](#), OR scanning this QR code.*



There will be a special guest speaker at the next UWF meeting (**Wed., February 12 at 10:30am**): Katie Motsinger from the Children's Attention Home. All women of the church are invited to attend!

Joseph Barnby/Jason D. Payne

Robert M. Speed

*Praise be to God, who rescues us from the power of darkness, who redeems us and sets us free! Praise be to Jesus Christ, through whom all things were made in heaven and on the earth. Praise be to the Spirit of God, whose presence sustains us and whose breath renews all creation. Behold! I am making all things new! Come, O God, and make your home among us. Pour out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. Amen.*

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Peggy Palmer

Rev. Mallory Nickerson

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Fran Threatt

Carol Cymbala

Christopher Tambling

# This Week's Events:

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 19—2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

- 9:15am—Sunday School (In-person & Online)
- 10:25am—Traditional Service (In-Person & Online)
- 6:30pm—Church Council

## MONDAY, JANUARY 20—Martin King Luther, Jr. Day

- 10am—Coffee & Conversation
- 6:30pm—Trustees

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 21

- 6pm—Pickers' Jam

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22

- 6pm—Chancel Choir

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

- 10:30am—Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 1pm—Overeaters Anonymous

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 24

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

- 11am—Memorial Service for John Threatt
- \*3pm—Seventh Day Adventist Youth

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 26—3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

- 9:15am—Sunday School (In-person & Online)
- 10:25am—Traditional Service (In-Person & Online)
- 2/4-6pm—Plentiful Harvest Kitchen
- 7pm—Guests from Bethel Shelters Arrive

*\*La Iglesia Adventista del 7<sup>o</sup> Día, cuyos eventos son primariamente hispanohablantes.*

# Coming Up:

## Jan. 26 to Feb. 9 — Bethel Shelters Overflow

- Jan. 27—SPRC (6:30pm)
- Jan. 28—New Life Grief Support Group (5pm)
- Feb. 2—Miata Club (12pm)
- Feb. 5—Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen (9am)
- Feb. 6—Men's Bible Study (6pm)
- Feb. 10—United Methodist Men (6pm)
- Feb. 12—United Women in Faith (10:30am)
- Feb. 14—Young at Hearts (11:30am)
- Feb. 16—UWF Spaghetti Fundraiser Luncheon (12pm)
- Feb. 20—Men's Bible Study (6pm)

**AS MEMBERS OF THIS CONGREGATION, WE WILL FAITHFULLY PARTICIPATE IN ITS MINISTRY BY OUR PRAYERS, OUR PRESENCE, OUR GIFTS, OUR SERVICE, AND OUR WITNESS.**

## OUR PRESENCE 1/5/25:

Worship:	Online:	Sunday School:
56	12	5

## OUR SERVICE TODAY:

**Ushers:** **Greeter:** **Altar Guild:**

Please sign up! Please sign up! Bruce Farrington  
Nancy Griffith

**Crucifer:** Harry Gibson/Steve Barfield

**Acolyte:** Norah Cordle/Harry Gibson

**Blessing Box:** Brenda Hochreiter/Judith Riess

## SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS:

**This Week:** Harry Gibson

**Next Week:** Al Quarles

**ARE YOU HERE?** If so, please let us know! You can do so through our website, using this link: <https://bit.ly/AUMCAAttendance> or by scanning this QR code:



**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE** There are a few things for which volunteers will always be needed, such as our Ushers, Greeters, and Altar Guild, who are integral to the smooth flow of Sunday worship and beyond. Please consider signing up for these roles. We have lots of empty slots to fill, including for this month!

## NEW LINKS: GIVING/CHURCH APP

To give online: [www.aumcrockhill.com/give](http://www.aumcrockhill.com/give).

To download the new church app: <https://mobile.myamplify.io/landing/xK4J>.

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