

United Methodist Church District Office Needs Non-Perishable Food Items

The District Office will continue their program where bags of food are made up and taken to those in need in our community. If you would like to donate food items, please bring them by the church office at your convenience. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please make checks payable to the United Methodist Church District Office and in the memo line write "Trailer Missions".

It's Time to Be Thinking About Homecoming

This year our Homecoming Sunday will be August 28th. Rev. Nate Ware will be our Homecoming preacher. In addition to his preaching, we will also have a meal immediately following our church service. This would be a good time for you to invite former members to come back and worship with us. More details will be forthcoming.

The Power of Prayer

If you have not checked out the Prayer Team on Wednesday evenings, I invite you to come join us in prayer. To give you an idea, each time we meet we discuss everyone who is on the prayer list and offer updates on as many as we can. We add persons as needed. Then we all go before the Lord in prayer. It is a truly uplifting experience. Please set aside about a half hour this Wednesday August 10 at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary to meet with us and pray.

Administrative Board Meeting Next Sunday

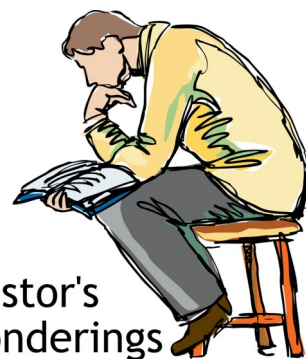
The Administrative Board will meet next Sunday August 14 at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All members are asked to be in attendance at this meeting.

Ice Cream Social Planned

We are trying to beat the heat! Come join us Sunday August 21 at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall for an ice cream social. Be sure you bring along some ice cream or toppings and a FRAN (friend, relative, associate or neighbor). The more the merrier! We look forward to seeing everyone there.

Appreciation Dinner

On August 29 from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm we will be hosting a dinner for the Town of Big Stone Gap Police Officers. If you would like to help, please contact Patty Robbins or the church office.



Pastor's Ponderings

50 Tips on Reaching Beyond Our Walls Part 1

Churches can no longer open their doors and expect that people will come in. Effective congregations go into the world to encounter those in need of the gospel. The Lewis Center for Church Leadership provides 50 tips on reaching beyond the walls of our church with worship, community events, ministries, and service. I'll be sharing them over the next few weeks.

Embrace an expansive concept of community

1. Learn to regard your community as an extension of your congregation. A church's mission field goes beyond its membership to include all the people God calls it to serve. You are connected to individuals who never set foot in your building.
2. Know that what's happening within the church — preaching, worship, music, Bible study — is no longer enough to attract people in an age when church attendance is no longer a cultural expectation.

**Don't sit in your church building waiting for people to come.
Be prepared to meet people where they are.**

Prepare spiritually

3. Acknowledge the synergy between the Great Commandment in Matthew 22 (love your neighbor as yourself) and the Great Commission in Matthew 28 (go and make disciples). Evangelistic outreach expresses our love of others.
4. Remember that Jesus primarily engaged people through everyday encounters, rather than in the Temple or synagogues. He fed people, met their everyday needs, and enjoyed the fellowship of others.
5. Express love and compassion for your community in big and small ways. Avoid judgmentalism.
6. Pray regularly for your neighbors and lift up community concerns.
7. Attend to the faith formation of existing members. Willingness to share faith and reach out to others develops as one grows in faith and discipleship.

**Prepare spiritually for the transformation that creative,
risk-taking outreach will bring.**

Get to know the community surrounding your church

8. Review demographic data from public, private, and denominational sources, but don't assume that statistics alone will tell the whole story.
9. Get out in your neighborhood. Walk the streets. Map the area, and record your observations. Note how the community is changing.
10. Assess community needs and assets. What are the needs of your context? Who are your neighbors, and how can you serve them?

Be attuned to where God is already at work in your community.

Read more suggestions next week....

The Trinity Companion Sunday August 7, 2016

Now faith is
confidence
in what we
hope for
and **assurance**
about what we
do not see.

HEBREWS 11:1, NIV

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Let me tell you how glad we are to have you at our worship service today. We hope that you will encounter the presence of the risen Christ. We'd really like to get some contact information. Would you please text your email and name to 80123 and we'll get back in touch with you.

Greeters: Kathleen Gillespie and Nancy Allman

Announcements, Welcome, and Introduction : Diane Botts

***Prelude:**

***Call to Worship: "Spirit Song"**

***Opening Hymn: "Hymn of Promise"** No. 707

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

(You will be given an opportunity to share joys and prayer concerns. Please raise your hand and wait until an usher comes to you with a microphone.)

***Gloria Patri** No. 70

Children's Message: Christy Smith

The Presentation of God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Ushers: Ruben Allman, Ben Allen, Phil Robbins, John Hagan

***Offertory:**

*** The Doxology** No. 95

***Anthem: "This is My Father's World"**

The Presentation of God's Word

Scripture: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Bill Cole

Lector: The Word of the Lord for the People of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "Transparent Faith"

Holy Communion

Communion Stewards: Joe and Nancy Toney; Ruben and Nancy Allman

Communion Ushers: Ben Allen, Phil Robbins, John Hagan, David Goodman

***Closing Hymn: "Soon and Very Soon"** No. 706

***Pastoral Benediction :** "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

Postlude:

***Please stand as you are able**

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August Events and Activities

- ◆ **Sunday August 7, 2016**
 - ◆ 5:00 pm—UMYF
- ◆ **Monday August 8, 2016**
 - ◆ 6:30 pm—United Methodist Men Meeting
- ◆ **Wednesday August 10, 2016**
 - ◆ 6:00 pm—Prayer Team
 - ◆ 7:00 pm—Choir Practice
- ◆ **Sunday August 14, 2016**
 - ◆ 5:00 pm—UMYF
 - ◆ 7:00 pm—Administrative Board Meeting
- ◆ **Monday August 15, 2016**
 - ◆ 6:00 pm—Garden Club
- ◆ **Wednesday August 17, 2016**
 - ◆ 6:00 pm—Prayer Team
 - ◆ 7:00 pm—Choir Practice
- ◆ **Sunday August 21, 2016**
 - ◆ 5:00 pm—UMYF
 - ◆ 5:00 pm—Asbury Circle
 - ◆ 6:00 pm—Ice Cream Social
- ◆ **Wednesday August 24, 2016**
 - ◆ 6:00 pm—Prayer Team
 - ◆ 7:00 pm—Choir Practice
- ◆ **Sunday August 28, 2016—Homecoming Sunday**
 - ◆ **Guest Preacher—Nate Ware**
 - ◆ 12:00 pm—Homecoming Meal
 - ◆ 5:00 pm—UMYF
- ◆ **Monday August 29, 2016**
 - ◆ 3:30-5:00 pm—Meal Honoring Police Department Members
- ◆ **Wednesday August 31, 2016**
 - ◆ 6:00 pm—Prayer Team
 - ◆ 7:00 pm—Choir Practice

September Events and Activities

- ◆ **Thursday September 1, 2016**
 - ◆ 10:00 am—Susanna Wesley Circle
 - ◆ 12:00 pm—Wesleyan Circle
- ◆ **Sunday September 4, 2016**
 - ◆ 5:00 pm—UMYF
- ◆ **Monday September 5, 2016—Labor Day**
 - ◆ **Office will be closed**
 - ◆ 6:30 pm—NOW Team Meeting

**United Methodist Men Meeting
Monday at 6:30 pm**



August

Van Drivers and Riders

- 7—Kenny & Martha Spurlock
- 14—Pat Bowden, Diane Botts
- 21—Kenny & Martha Spurlock
- 28—Christy Smith, Diane Botts

Children's Church

- 7—Donna Mahan
- 14—Mary Beth Allen
- 21—Kim Parsons
- 28—Patty Robbins

Money Counters

- 7—Bill Cole, Ashley Turner
- 14—Chris Higgins, Paul Clark
- 21—Diane Botts, Christy Smith
- 28—Pat Bowden, Kim Parsons

Children's Message

- 7—Christy Smith
- 14—Bill Cole
- 21—Nancy Toney
- 28—Diane Botts

Greeters

Kathleen Gillespie
Nancy Allman

Announcements

Diane Botts

Ushers

Ruben Allman, Ben Allen, Phil Robbins, John Hagan



"I HAVE NOT STOPPED GIVING THANKS FOR YOU, REMEMBERING YOU IN MY PRAYERS."
EPHESIANS 1:16, NIV

For Those with Cancer:

James Horne; Robin (Rita Nash's Daughter); Debbie Cooper; Phyllis Gilley; Melody (Mellie) Gilley; Doris Berta; Denise Qualls; Kathy Hirsch (Larry & Teddy Bland's daughter); David Burke (Bubba Burke's Dad); Karrie Compton (Randy & Phyllis Compton's daughter); Zack Carter; Carey Mills; Steve Clark

Facing/Recovering from Surgery/Hospital Stay

Becky Clark; Helen Cochran; Mary Warner; T. R Davidson; Melanie Sturgill; Mark Nickels; Ann Nickels; Jim Cooper; Barbara Hargrove; Ronnie Phillips (Patty Robbins' brother); Benny Clifton (Lillie Clifton's father); Siyere Williams; Elizabeth White; Nancy Toney; Terry Goodman; Jean Hendrick; Dottie Allen; Haylee White; Don Whittaker; Karen West; Charles White

Non-Specific Prayers for:

Brownie Polly & family; Geneva Allen; Jim Gates; Jennie Shupe; Hope Meade; Matt Carroll; Melvin Carter; Bill & Jean Hendrick; Peggy Bates; Marion Kocher; Bob Horne; Nancy Toney; Beth & John Hagan; Nancy Kilgore & family; Johnny Wells; Debbie Goodman; Sarah Shores; The Stidham Family; Elmer Lowe; June Pendergrass

- Pray for our Pastor and the Leaders of our church.
- Pray for the Leaders of the United Methodist Church.
- Pray for those in the Church in need.

If you know that someone on the prayer list has passed away, please contact the church office.