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## United Methodist News

November 2015

**COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE** will be 6:00 p.m. Sunday, November 22. WE are the hosting parish this year, something we get to do only once every five years. This is a marvelous evening of celebrating the diversity of Jesus Christ; observing that he even loves the likes of you and me! Pastor Beth Wartick of Trinity ELCA will be preaching.

An offering is received at this service each year for the helping fund administered by the Tipton Ministerial Association (TMA) which consists of five churches: Calvary Foursquare, First United Church of Christ, First United Methodist Church, St. Mary's Catholic Church and Trinity Lutheran Church.

### November Events

- Nov. 1 — All-Saints Sunday  
Blessing of Ingathering Kits  
Daylight Savings Time Ends  
Community Work Day
- Nov. 7 — Shared Blessings  
Ingathering @ Mt. Pleasant
- Nov. 8 — KFC  
Dominoes
- Nov. 11 — VETERANS DAY
- Nov. 18 — Newsletter Articles Due
- Nov. 21 — Shared Blessings
- Nov. 22 — Community Thanksgiving Service
- Nov. 25 — Meeting of the Holy Folders
- Nov. 26 — THANKSGIVING
- Nov. 29 — First Sunday of Advent

**FALL CHURCH CLEAN-UP** list is posted in the Gathering Place with the intent that all tasks would be completed by Nov. 16. If you like to work in a pack, set it up and fill the place some afternoon, morning or weekend. (Shared Blessings is November 14; come work and eat!) Did you know this is one of the most important things to do for bringing others to Christ and providing a space in which they can relax and get comfortable? It's not exotic like doing medical work in the jungle, but it is important for the Kingdom of God!!

### Blood Pressure Screening

On Sunday, November 15, Mary McKinney and Cheryl Person will be doing blood pressure screenings after worship in the Gathering Place. Stop by for this simple, life-saving procedure! If you haven't been tested lately, it's possible you have high blood pressure and don't know it. The screening is free and only takes a couple of minutes. Do yourself a favor and get your blood pressure checked now!

A report from a study of growing churches included this line:

*"Vitality comes with reflection and choice."*



Children's Time on one recent Sunday morning.

*Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors*



Here's a quote from the Leadership Institute hosted by the UM Church of the Resurrection, which Jane Moen, Melinda Stonebraker, Bob Young and Pastor Paul attended Oct. 1 & 2:

God created us to be in community. Dr. Gilbert Bilezikian, co-founder of the Willow Creek Community Church, has written:

*"It is in small groups that people can get close enough to know each other, to care and share, to challenge and support, to confide and confess, to forgive and be forgiven, to laugh and weep together, to be accountable to each other, to watch over each other and to grow together. Personal growth does not happen in isolation. It is the result of interactive relationships. Small groups are God's gift to foster changes in character and spiritual growth."*

#### Questions:

- Why do you think Jesus choose to be surrounded by a small group of people?
- What would Jesus' ministry have looked like without the apostles?

We might disagree on the prevalence of guns and the influence of the handsomely lucrative firearms industry. But unless I'm mistaken, we do not disagree that it is tragic and sad that so many residents young and old of the United States are subject to gun-related violence. The Children's Defense Fund sites these statistics:

- Guns remain the second leading cause of death among children and teens ages 1-19 and the number one cause among black children and teens.
- U.S. children and teens are 18 times more likely to die from a gun than their peers in 25 other high-income countries.
- A child or teen dies from a gun every 3 hours and 18 minutes.
- The risk of a child or teen dying from a gun now is 34% higher than in 1963, the earliest year of data available.

Gun death rates for children and teens in the U.S. were nearly four times higher than in Finland, the

country with the next highest rate, more than 14 times higher than in France, and over 67 times higher than in the United Kingdom.

The General Board of Church & Society of the UMC has put out a 3-session Bible study titled "Kingdom Dreams, Violent Realities: Reflections on Gun Violence from Micah 4:1-4." This Bible study is available from Pastor Paul or online at <http://umc-gbcs.org/content/general/Kingdom-Dreams-Violent-Realities.pdf> Bishop Robert Hoshibata writes in the Introduction:

*"...discouraging are many of the discussions that swirl around the issue of gun violence. The use of tiresome clichés and unsubstantiated anecdotes robs us from genuine and thoughtful dialog and become a roadblock to achieving lasting peace. As faithful Christians we must approach the issue of gun violence through a theological and biblical lens. This study will help you do just that."*

May we pray for peace... and then work for it!

*Pastor Paul*

*Worry is a thin stream of fear that trickles through the mind, which, if encouraged, will cut a channel so wide that all other thoughts will be drained out.*

—Author Unknown

# Missions

## Thanksgiving Offering

The Thanksgiving offering will be split equally between the church's benevolence fund and apportionments. The Benevolence Fund is used to assist people in Cedar County with anything from utilities to food assistance to transportation costs. Apportionments are a part of the United Methodist Church's unique giving structure that ensures your generosity blesses as many people as possible in sustainable, strategic ways. Apportionments empower the ministry of not only this church but the Church around the world.

You may use the envelope enclosed in this newsletter or indicate "Thanksgiving" on the memo line of your check. The Missions team encourages you to consider God's blessings in your life and offer thanks with a monetary donation this Thanksgiving. Consider giving extra this month, use the enclosed Thanksgiving offering envelope and return it to the church by the end of November.

## Community Work Day – November 1

**The Make a Difference Community Work Day will be held Sunday, November 1 from 12:15-2:30 p.m.**

Please SIGN UP in the breezeway or through the church office if you HAVE PROJECTS to be done. We're looking for projects such as raking leaves and cleaning gutters. Sign up ASAP – we will do as many projects as we are able based on the time available and the number and skills of volunteers on hand.

Volunteers of all ages welcome. We'll have a simple meal for volunteers right after worship, then head out to work on projects. Making a Difference in our own backyard and around the world!

## Angel Tree

Our church often receives requests for assistance throughout the year. The Missions team will once again give you the opportunity to purchase gift cards to supplement the benevolence fund and assist local families needing assistance by purchasing specific gift requests. As you make plans for Christmas, we'd appreciate it if you'd include the Angel Tree as part of your plans as you are able.



## Church World Service

The Church World Service Blankets+ offering taken on October 18 raised a total of \$512. With the cost of blankets at \$10 a piece, our church's offering will purchase over 51 blankets. It's amazing what we can do together. Thank you for your generosity!

## Mission: Share the Love

The Missions team plans to continue Mission: Share the Love this fall. The intent of Mission: Share the Love is to be more intentional in reaching out and sharing God's love in the community. This fall, we plan to appreciate the 40 high school teachers and staff by providing desserts at the Parent-Teacher conference meals on November 19 and 23. If you are willing to make a dessert and "share the love", please sign up on the Sunday registration in worship or through the church office. Desserts are needed in the church kitchen by 10 a.m. November 19 and November 23.

If you have suggestions or ideas for future "Mission: Share the Love" activities/projects, please contact anyone on the Mission team or the church office. Watch for additional activities in the upcoming months.

## Caring Ministries

The Caring Ministries distributes care packages at Halloween, Christmas, Valentine's, and Easter to those who don't get out and about much anymore. We have 50-60 people typically on our list. (If you'd like to be on the list or know of someone who should be, please contact the church office.) We'd like the "care packages" personally delivered. To do this, we need YOUR help! The first care packages are to be delivered by October 31<sup>st</sup>. The second care package will be available on Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup> and need to be delivered by Christmas. In reaching out to others, you will be blessed.

## College Connections

The College Connections team recently sent a "Halloween" package with homemade caramel puffcorn to college students. A "wellness" care package will be sent in November. Your generous donations and support of students is appreciated!

## Hunger Coalition

**What:** Hunger Coalition along with Cedar County Extension and Outreach is planning a Crock Pot Class for those families looking for quick, cost effective, and healthy meals.

**Needed:** Gently used or new Crock Pots of all sizes but mostly 5 quarts or larger to hand out to families who attend the class.

**Drop off:** Cedar County Extension Office at 107 Cedar St. Tipton, IA.

For questions or more information contact Dionne Daedlow at 563-886-6157 or [Daedlow@iastate.edu](mailto:Daedlow@iastate.edu)

## LITTLE FRIENDS PRESCHOOL

### Update and Opportunity

The school year is going well for the 16 three year-old students and teacher Sam Semotan.

At the Board meeting October 19 Sam expressed that there are some items she could use for Little Friends. We approved setting up a "LFP Wish Tree" for a couple weeks in November. It will be posted by November 1<sup>st</sup> and will be up until the 23<sup>rd</sup>. The apples on it need to be 'picked,' Get the item mentioned and bring it back, placing it in the LFP receptacle outside the office.

You'll notice that many of the items are not very expensive and could be easily purchased. But this is one way we can celebrate that LFP is now ours; each of us can have an impact on the children and families we serve through the ministry of LFP. Always, please, include LFP and the families in your prayers, giving God thanks for them, the parents, those who get them to school and those who pick them up.

## CHANGE A CHILD'S STORY

A Strategy Team has been named to lead the church's effort to "Change a Child's Story" through reading and books. We will announce that meeting time on a Sunday so listen up. Anyone's invited. But, even before they could meet, it has been announced that the children's SS Mission offering and teaching time is going that direction! Very exciting.



## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Even as three adult GIGs meet Sunday morning, there are two classes for adults that welcome new students any time.

**FRIENDS:** meets in room 113. This group has been studying the challenging message of Jesus as presented in the The Renegade Gospel by Mike Slaughter. Toward the beginning of November they will begin Practices, a study in the "Animate" series.

This video-based study addresses various spiritual disciplines, like prayer, worship, sacraments, servanthood and community. But it goes into our spiritual relationship with food and money, too.

The presenters, different for each topic, are amazing. Shane Claiborne, Brian McLaran, Mike Slaughter gives you an idea of the well-published, reputable presenters. Each one walks the walk.

**WIRED WORD:** meets in the Wesley Room. The timely topics, which come in on Thursday each week, are provided with commentary and scriptural reflection material. Recent topics have included the Pope's comments, "Stuff Happens," a daycare miscount that left a 2-year old behind on a field trip (Jesus keeps count!), and the flood of refugees into Europe. Yes, each of these has a Biblical, theological, spiritual component. (If requested, you'll be put on the email list to receive the materials on Thursday.)



**Sunday, November 8th  
2:30 to 4:30**

**All ages are welcome!**

Helpers are welcomed and blessed!  
Please mark your calendar and plan to attend. For more information, contact Denise Cartwright (319-430-6172).



## Ten Things YOU Can Do to 'BRANCH OUT'

*(brought to you by your HCI Hospitality Team!)*

**VISION STATEMENT: Our people will be Deeply Rooted, Branching Out, and Bearing Fruit.**

**1. Commit to faithful worship attendance yourself.**

Your presence is important to your spiritual growth and the vitality of your church. Visitors who see a vibrant community with a critical mass of people will be more likely to return.

**2. Follow up with people who are absent.**

People like to know they are missed. Check in on friend, choir mates, or others who miss worship to make sure all is well. Even a quick Facebook post lets people know that their church friends care and that their presence matters.

**3. Never judge people who drift away from the church.**

They may be attending elsewhere, they may find it difficult to return after the death of a loved one, or they may have to work on Sundays. Whatever the reason, guilt trips are not helpful. Continue to love them and offer pressure-free invitations.

**4. Personally invite others.**

There's still nothing like a personal invitation to convince a friend, neighbor, or coworker to give your church a try. Special events like choir concerts, kids' events, or service projects may be easier entryways to church than Sunday worship.

**5. Keep your worship program on hand.**

Circle worship times or a specific calendar event, and pass it along to someone with a personal invitation to come. Offer to meet them beforehand so they won't have to arrive alone.

**6. Keep your eyes peeled.**

Be aware of people who look uneasy or lost and offer assistance. Watch for people in the parking area or sidewalk who could use a hand—a parent wrangling three kids and a diaper bag, or someone without an umbrella on a rainy day.

**7. Put others before yourself.**

Welcoming new people into the church can often mean getting outside our comfort zones. Be open to new people and new ways of doing things. Choose to value a new person's introduction to Christ more than your own preferences.

**8. Adopt a newcomer.**

Beyond just greeting new people, invite them to sit with you. Help them understand anything confusing in the worship service. Invite them to lunch after church and introduce them to others as you would a friend. Follow up with them later in the week with your hopes that they will come again.

**9. Catch visitors before they leave.**

It is estimated that guests leave the church building within three minutes of the service ending. Greet visitors after worship before speaking to family and friends.

**10. Pray for people without a church home.**

Ask God to open your eyes to people in need of a loving Christian community and to open doors for you to invite them. God can use you to change someone's life.



## Birthdays and Anniversaries (Members and Constituents)

- 1 – Lisa Fleming, Carter Hill, Faith McGee, Kelly Wendel
- 3 – Sam Bierman, Becky Donohoe, Matt Harper, Charles Miles
- 4 – Janet Anderson, Kim Cross, Katelyn DeWulf, Jennifer Johnson, Raymond Stark, Marlin & Donna Wiskus
- 5 – Bradey Anderson, Cynthia Fitch
- 6 – Larry & Wylene Hostler
- 7 – Keylon Krenz
- 8 – Joseph Crock, Wylene Hostler, Karen Regennitter
- 9 – Cooper Boeve, Tina Jorgensen, Erica Shumaker, Melinda Stonebraker
- 10- Tara Eisele, Caden Schmidt, Heidi Shumaker, Kyle Voss
- 11 – Alisha Hubler, Jenny Jackson, Edward Ketelsen, Jeremiah & Jennifer Johnson
- 13- Owen Boldt, Chris & Kiley Schultz
- 15 – Mary Ehresman, Patti Seydel
- 16 – Dick & Connie Paul
- 18 – Zoe Stonebraker, Ken & Sherry Schmidt, Ruel & Jan Wehde
- 19 – Rich Zobel, Robert & JoAnne Johnston,
- 20 – Peg Adams, Marvin Ford, Wayne Neville
- 21 – JoAnne Beers, Elliot Cummins, Autumn Puffer,
- 23 – Ronald Martin
- 25- Cheryl Person
- 26 – Steph Behne, Jack Cartwright, Glenn & Ellen Fear
- 27 – Jerod Wiskus
- 28 – Sara Webb, Brad & Jeannette Kirkpatrick
- 29- Bailey Puffer, Kellie Rouse,
- 30 – Kerri Nash

(Please contact the church office for additions and/or corrections.)

## Member News

**Baptisms:** on October 18<sup>th</sup> (Frederick and Alexandria were born four days apart!)

**Frederick James Smith**, son of Hannah & Todd

**Alexandria Grace Hubler**, daughter of Alisha & Josh

**New Member:** Josh Hubler, husband of Alisha [Anderson] and father of Alexandria, became a member of the church October 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Born** October 9<sup>th</sup> at Canon City, CO:

**Kinnick Ray Gaunt** to Jennifer [Hoffman] & Neil. Carmen and Kent Hoffman are grandparents; Kathy Vance a great-grandmother!

**Married Oct. 10** at the Drakesville UMC:

**Tyler Baird and Kendra Bogert**

Tyler's parents are Alan and Teri Baird; grandfather is Gary Eichhorn.

**Moving On: Michael and Ashley (Schroeder)**

**Wubben**, Married July of 2011, have recently requested a letter of transfer to the Altoona UMC, where they are establishing relationships and will be able to participate, grow and serve. God bless them as they tackle this new season of life! Ashley's grandmother is Donna Gault.)

### MEMBERSHIP ORIENTATION

An orientation to the United Methodist Church is planned for November 15 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. This session is a no-pressure introduction to what it means to be a United Methodist and a member of 1st UMC-Tipton. Even if you are already a member it's pretty certain that you'll learn some things! Please let the church office [office@tiptonumc.org](mailto:office@tiptonumc.org) or Pastor Paul [pastor@tiptonumc.org](mailto:pastor@tiptonumc.org) know if you are planning to attend. Child care will be provided if requested, though it's also great to have the children present. Oh! Any orientation to the Methodist tradition will also have food.



# CHURCH CONFERENCE REFLECTIONS

by Pastor Paul

For sure one of the highlights of the 2015 Church Conference, held Sunday, Oct. 18, was the approval of Jane Moen and Melinda Stonebraker as “Lay Servants.” This position in the UMC, formerly “Lay Speakers,” recognizes people who have taken some classes offered by the UMC and who have given evidence in their local church of ministry leadership. Wally Reidel was our most recent Lay Servant, it’s now wonderful to have two! If you are curious or even interested, talk to one of the above named people or me for more information.

We also read the names of 13 people who have been removed from membership since the 2014 Conference. Nine of those were by death, four by transfer. We also celebrated the addition of 14 persons in that same time.

It was approved to [officially] accept the bequest of \$31,227.27 from the estate of Edie Ford. A second motion approved designation of funds: 10% toward children’s ministries; 15% to various ministries in-process or to-be-identified (by Leadership Council); 25% to the 1<sup>st</sup> UMC endowment; and 50% toward Trustees’ projects.

Of course, a major event in the annual Church Conference is identifying ways of moving forward the church’s mission of “making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.”

## Discerning God’s Preferred Future

Based on your current reality, what is God asking of your congregation at this time?

1. Build the skills for and intentionality of prayer
2. Have faith that God will transform people.
3. “Trust and Obey” Discern the will of God and then “just do it!”
4. Empower GIG facilitators and provide training and tools.
5. Move toward intentional gifts-based ministry.
6. Utilize Mission & Ministry Audit to encourage intentionality and alignment of ministries with the Mission of the Church.
7. Participate as a church and individuals in "Change a Child's Story"

## Deciding Next Steps

What are your goals for next year to help you accomplish what God is asking of you?

- A. Build worship attendance.
- B. Grow GIGs.
- C. Follow through with applicable HCI Consultation goals & projects, including continued teaching and utilization of the Discipleship Pathway; creation of and use of a ‘connection point;’

Our very first item was celebration of what has been and current ministries. This was really centered around the question: How do you make and grow disciples? The list created was varied and exciting.

The convener of the Church Conference was Pastor Heecheon Jeon, appointed July 1 to the Mt. Vernon UMC. It was our pleasure at the conclusion of the Conference to include in prayer Pastor Heecheon and his up-coming trip to his home-land of South Korea to observe his father’s 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. It also gave all of us gathered an opportunity to think with a new heart and mind as this pastor from South Korea opened the Conference by reading from Matthew 28:19 & 20:

*“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”*

Complete copies of all forms submitted to the [Church] Conference are now posted on the bulletin boards in the Gathering Place and the tower entrance. Copies can be made in the office of any forms you’d like to have and many can be provided digitally.

## MISCELLANEOUS!!

**YOUTH:** **Cameron Ihrig** was named Homecoming King during Tipton's festivities. Always-smiling Cameron has been active in the youth group the past couple years. He tries to be a good example for others. Also from the church and in the homecoming "court" was Maggie Bormann.

**36 YOUTH** gathered at 7:00 p.m. Saturday Oct. 24 to go to "Terror in the Timber," hosted by the youth groups of the Stanwood and Mechanicsville youth groups. After that experience, they returned to church for pizza and a movie. **THANK YOU** for your support of such ministry! Such support includes the work (and toward the costs!) of redoing rooms LL-1 & LL-2 to be more 'youth friendly.' Your offerings to the General Budget covered \$712 of costs that will come out of the Trustee's "Maintenance & Repair line item. When going on the road with groups that size it's also SO nice to have the bus! (We still needed four vehicles besides!)

**FUNDING** youth ministry is always a topic. There is a small amount budgeted, but it's always good to let the kids raise some of their "own money," too. They are signed up to work the concession stand at a tournament in December at the Heartland Sports Complex. So far this Fall they had two opportunities to work concessions at Kinnick Stadium. Earning 10% of gross sales netted over \$1,300.

**YOUTH LEADERSHIP** (otherwise known as Youth Advisory Council or YAC) has been provided by Bobbie Lieser, Penny Webb and Stacy Chapman. Other adults who have helped include Melinda Stonebraker, Mary Jo Heil, Renee Mente, Chris and Abby VanScoy, Heidi Shumaker, Melissa Roth, and many others. (Sorry, but this is coming off the top of my head. Pastor Paul.)

**YOUTH ACCOMPLISHMENTS** One way for everyone to be involved in ministry with youth is to be encouraging. When you become aware of youth participating in concerts, academics, drama, athletics or even at their place of employment, tell them you're in the church and you appreciate their effort. Send a note. Of course, you can always pray for them, too. Here's a start: **Christopher McKinney** has gained all-state ranking with the bassoon. This is the 4<sup>th</sup> year for his work to pay off! We have a few athletes involved in Cross Country. The boys' team, including **Sam Bierman**, **corey Wallick** and **Alec Comstock**, and **Kenzie Mente** individually, have qualified for state.





## Worship in November

**Nov. 1** All Saints with Communion & Annual Report of the Memorial Committee

**Scripture:** John 11:32-44, Isaiah 25:6-9

**Music:** Keyboards and Chancel Choir

**Nov. 8** Stewardship

**Scripture:** 2 Samuel 24:17-25, Mark 12:38-44

**Music:** Christian Chaos, Choir Kids

**Nov. 15** UMW Sunday; Return Intention Cards

**Scripture:** Isaiah 43:18-21, Mark 13:1-8

**Music:** Chancel Choir, Keyboards

**Nov. 22** Christ the King!

**Scripture:** Revelation 1:4b-8, John 18:33-37

**Music:** Choir Kids, Christian Chaos

**November 22, Community Thanksgiving Eve**  
**Worship begins at 6:00 p.m.**

Hosted by 1st United Methodist Church  
Preacher, Rev. Beth Wartick, Trinity ELCA

**Nov. 29** 1st Sunday of Advent

**Theme:** "Want Peace? Try Wholehearted Cooperation with the Inevitable"  
(Anthony de Mello)

**Scripture:** Jeremiah 33:14-16, Luke 21:25-36

**Music:** Keyboards and Chancel Choir



## United Methodist Women

### November Circle Meetings

**Abigail** — Wed., Nov. 18th at 8:00 p.m.

Hostess: Gail Fleming, Co-Hostess: Connie Smith,

Devotions: Program: Becky Young

**Mary Martha** — Fri., Oct. 16th at 1:30 p.m.

Hostess: Peg Adams, Co-Hostess: Clara Eves,

Devotions & Program: Pat Fankhauser

**Priscilla** — Thurs., Oct. 22nd at 7:00 p.m.

Hostess: Mary Jo Heil, Co-Hostess: Roberta Gesling,

Devotions: Vivian Shontz, Program: Leanne Boots

## Prayers

### PRAYERS

#### Hospitalized/Procedures:

Carol Ruedy (Michelle Smith's mom) @ St. Lukes for rehab

#### Healing: Bonnie Bryden, Joe Cheshareck

(G.Fleming's bro-in-law,) Darlene (Marjorie Stonerook's sister), Jerry Ferguson, Donna Gault, Jean Heil (Brian's mom), Arlene Hein, Dean Hoffman (Kent's dad), Linda Huff (M. Stonebrakers mom), Rex Idlewine, Ron Martin, Mark McKay (Ken's bro), Murry Mente, Grace Nichols (J.Comstock's mom), Warren Nielson (L & K Houstman's bro-in-law), Ray Penningroth (M. Stonerook's bro); Jim Shontz, Ray Steinberg, Gary Taylor, Jim Thiele (L. Salmonson's bro), Keith Wood, and others under care or treatment.

#### Prayers for those in Life Transitions:

Harvest workers, in the field, at the 'elevator,' in the kitchen, feedlots and farm-offices...

Persons/people persecuted for religious convictions.

Persons uprooted due to "natural" and/or "human" disaster; and those who are called to help.

Families struggling with the impact of drug and alcohol abuse or other addiction.

Couples/Families searching for the way forward.

Persons & families of incarceration;

Persons in employment limbo;

**In Treatment:** Chris Keller, Gary Kline, Katie Ryan, Linda (Kay Miller's sis)

**Hospice/Palliative Care:** Alice Anderson (G. Fleming's mom), Elmer Flory, Judy Keller, Mabel Lamp, Richard Wallick (Jeff's father), Henry Wiskus

**Armed Services:** Thomas Brown (Seydel's son-in-law), Sean Hannes, Kyle Marchik, Corey Ormsby

**Note from CAROL MAXWELL,** formerly of Tipton, now Memphis: (10/26 11 am)

*My son Larry was informed Sept. 28 by his primary doctor of internal bleeding and he should go to the ER. They admitted him and from then on it's been one thing after another. He was at Baptist Hospital for 2 weeks and then transferred to Methodist University where there is a liver transplant program. (10/26 1:00 pm update: Liver available; in surgery soon!) In the meantime he is on 24 hr dialysis (kidneys have quit working but will resume when the new liver is in) and many other things. We ask that you remember him during this time and in the days to come*

## November Sunday Servants

### Liturgists Twyla Hein - Coordinator

- 8 – Glenn Fear
- 15 – Donna Gault
- 22 – Kathy Houstman
- 29 – Twyla Hein

### Power Point Becky Young - Coordinator

- 1 – Brian Heil (both)
- 8 – Melinda Stonebraker (both)
- 15 – Becky Young (create), Chris McKinney (run)
- 22 – Carmen Hoffman (both)
- 29 – Becky Young-Create, Kristen Charette-Run

### Fellowship Coffee Barb Rickard & Dixie Martin - Coordinators

- 1 – Bob & Becky Young, Kris Clark
- 8 – Bob & Ginny Cummins, Vanscoy Family
- 15 – Larry & Kathy Houstman, Bob & Barb Rickard
- 22 – Ron & Dixie Marin, Betty Elijah
- 29 – Ken & Lorna Muller, Cheryl & Steve Person

### Greeters Becky Young - Coordinator

- 1 – Will & Julie Williams
- 8 – Bob & Ginny Cummins
- 15 – Ryan & Melinda Stonebraker Family
- 22 – Kris Clark & Danny Ford
- 29 – Kim Cross & Twyla Hein

### Nursery Office - Coordinator

- 1 – Cheryl Person
- 8 – Chris & Kiley Schultz
- 15 – Webb Family
- 22 – Roberta Gesling
- 29 – O'Leary Family

### Children's Lesson Office - Coordinator

- 8 – Gail Fleming
- 15 – Gail Fleming
- 22 – Berrie Glick
- 29 – Kris Clark

### Ushers Lorna Muller - Coordinator

- 1–29 Jeff & Diane Wallick, Kent & Carmen Hoffman

### Flowers Becky Young - Coordinator

- 1 – Ron & Dixie Martin
- 8 –
- 15 –
- 22 –
- 29 –

### Communion Stewards Donna Gault - Coordinator

- 1 – Kay Miller

### Acolytes Kim Walter - Coordinator

- 1 – Ian & Isaac Spangler
- 8 – Colbie Schultz & Meredith Coppess
- 15 – Avary & Braydon Calonder
- 22 – Mackenzie & Alicia Walter
- 29 – Gwen VanScoy & Lea Stonebraker

## Presence & Gifts from Sept.

Worship Attendance: 6–89, 13–115, 20–202, 27–136  
Average: 135

Sunday School Attendance: 13–36, 20–79, 27–85  
Average: 67

**General Fund:** \$11877.20, Facility Use \$80.00, Upper Room \$2.00, Apportionments \$30.00, College Connections \$242.16, GIG Books \$329, Shared Blessings \$2.85, Copper Kettle \$214.27, Mission Market \$20.50, **Grand Total \$12,797.98**

*Faith is the most powerful of all forces operating in humanity and when you have it in depth nothing can get you down.*

- Norman Vincent Peale



**Newsletter articles are due  
Wed., November 18th.**

**Meeting of the Holy Folders is  
Wed., November 25th.**

**Sunday, November 1**

All Saint Sunday  
 (Daylight Savings Time ends)  
 Ingathering Kits Blessing  
 Community Work Day  
 8:30 am Choir Kids  
 9:00 am Sunday School  
 9:00 am GIGs  
 10:30 am Worship  
 12:30-2:30 pm Community  
 Work Day  
 3:30-5:30 pm Junior Lego  
 League

**Monday, November 2**

6:45 pm Creative Worship  
 4:30 Change/Story Task Group

**Tuesday, November 3**

4:00 pm Communion @  
 Prairie Hills

**Wednesday, November 4**

Pastor @ Grief Workshop C.R.  
 1:00 pm GIG  
 4:30 pm Grief Group  
 5:30 pm Youth Group  
 6:00 pm GIG  
 6:30 pm GIG  
 7:00 pm Choir Practice

**Thursday, November 5**

9:30 am Communion @ Cedar  
 Manor  
 10:00 am GIG  
 6:30 pm Chaos Practice

**Saturday, November 7**

Ingathering @ Mt Pleasant

**Sunday, November 8**

8:30 am Choir Kids  
 9:00 am GIGs  
 9:00 am Sunday School  
 10:30 am Worship  
 2:30 pm KFC  
 6:00 pm Dominoes

**Monday, November 9**

6:30 pm Chaos Practice  
 6:45 pm Missions Meeting

**Wednesday, November 11**

Veterans Day  
 1:00 pm GIG  
 1:30 pm Bible Study  
 4:30 pm Grief Group  
 6:00 pm GIG  
 6:30 pm GIG  
 7:00 pm Choir  
 7:30 pm Leadership Council

**Thursday, November 12**

10:00 am GIG  
 10:00 -3:00 Pastor @ Peer  
 Ministry

**Saturday, November 14**

11:00 am Shared Blessings

**Sunday, November 15**

UMW Sunday  
 8:30 am Choir Kids  
 9:00 am GIGs  
 9:00 am Sunday School  
 10:30 am Worship  
 4-5:30 Methodist Orientation

**Wednesday, November 18****Newsletter Articles Due**

1:00 pm GIG  
 4:30 pm Grief Group  
 6:00 pm GIG  
 6:30 pm GIG  
 7:00 pm Choir Practice  
 8:00 pm Abigail Circle

**Thursday, November 19**

All Day Pastor @ Cont. Ed.  
 10:00 am GIG  
 6:30 pm Girl Scout Trp 5302  
 6:30 pm Trustees  
 6:30 pm Chaos Practice  
 7:00 pm Priscilla Circle

**Friday, November 20**

1:30 pm Mary Martha

**Sunday, November 22**

8:30 am Choir Kids  
 9:00 am GIGs  
 9:00 am Sunday School  
 10:30 am Worship  
 6:00 Community Thanks-  
 giving Service—here!

**Monday, November 23**

6:30 pm Chaos Practice

**Tuesday, November 24**

9:00 am Pastor @ Cluster  
 2:00 pm Prairie Hills Program

**Wednesday, November 25**

8:00 am Meeting of the Holy  
 Folders

**Thursday, November 26**

Thanksgiving Day-Office  
 Closed

**Friday, November 27**

Office Closed

**Saturday, November 28**

11:00am Shared Blessings

**Sunday, November 29**

8:30 am Choir Kids  
 9:00 am GIGs  
 9:00 am Sunday School  
 10:30 am Worship  
 3:00 pm Cedar Manor  
 Worship



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