FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF BELLA VISTA



LOVE - Loving God, Others, and Ourselves ~ LEARN - Learning to be His disciples ~ LEAD - Leading others to Christ

The Good News

August 2014



Please join us for a

Community-wide end of Summer Celebration

Hosted by:

First United Methodist Church of Bella Vista 20 Boyce Dr., Bella Vista, AR 72715

Friday, August 15 from 5:30pm to 8:00pm

FREE FUN & FOOD

Hotdogs, Chips, Drinks and Watermelon

LIVE MUSIC, GAMES, INFLATABLE 15' SLIDE,
TERRIFIC PRIZES, and
BELLA VISTA EMERGENCY RESPONDERS!!



Free Back-to-School Haircuts
Free Pre-School Vision Screening

For More Information and to volunteer to help, please contact the church office at (479) 855-1158 or lovelearnlead.com

Sponsored by the Evangelism Committee, Children's Ministry Team, UMM, and UMW





FAITH WALK

with Brother Jaimie Alexander

The month of July passed quickly and was filled with exciting ministry happenings! Workshop of Wonders VBS was a wonderful time of blessing with over an hundred children and adults involved daily, our new associate Pastor Zach Underwood and family arrived and began integrating into the life of the church, many hours were spent by volunteers renovating and improving first floor space for Vista Kids which is children's Sunday School, working was ongoing in preparation for the United Methodist Women's Rummage Sale for missions, and plans were made for fall Bible Studies and ministries.

Now that July has passed let me fill you in on some of the big events taking place in August.

Sunday July 17th will be a great day of worship at FUMC Bella Vista! The special guest preacher for all the

services is Arkansas Conference Bishop Gary Mueller. Bishop Mueller will preach as part of the summer series, Cool Aid: First in my heart, Spiritual Simplicity Refreshed! It is a blessing to welcome Bishop Mueller and his wife Wink to FUMC Bella Vista for their first time.

Bishop Gary E. Mueller was elected an Episcopal leader of the United Methodist Church on July 19, 2012, and was assigned to lead the Arkansas Area.

After a friend invited him to attend UMYF his sophomore year of high school, Mueller came to a point of being ready to profess his faith in Christ. His call to ministry began to emerge a few years later, while he attended the University of Kansas. He went on to receive his theological education at lliff School of Theology in Denver, Colorado, and at Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. He was ordained an Elder in the North Texas Conference in 1981.



Mueller remained in north Texas, serving pastoral appointments at First UMC Richardson, Brewster Memorial and McKenzie Memorial UMC, First United Methodist Church Roanoke-Trophy Club-Westlake, First UMC Denton and First UMC Plano. He also served for four years as Director of Connectional Ministries for the North Texas Conference Council.

Before his election to the episcopacy, he held a number of leadership roles, including delegate to the 2012 General Conference; four-time delegate to the South Central Jurisdictional Conference; chair of the North Texas Conference Ministry Center Building Committee during the design and construction of a new Conference Ministry Center; representative on the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry Task Force that designed the residency period during provisional membership for commissioned deacons and elders; and chair of the North Texas Conference Board of Ordained Ministry from 2008 until 2012.

He has been married to Wink since 1984. Their son Nick lives in Los Angeles and their daughter Hailey lives in Houston with her husband, Stephen Hunt. Bishop Mueller's passion is leading spiritual revival that results in vital congregations that make disciples of Jesus Christ, who then make disciples equipped to transform lives, communities and the world

SUPERCHARGED! A "CHURCH-WIDE, SUMMER, COMMUNITY, CELEBRATION" is being held on Friday August 15 from 5:30 until 8:00pm both outside and indoors. I hope you will come and invite your friends and neighbors to attend also! It will be a casual evening of music, food, games ,visiting, free haircuts for those going back to school, prize give-a-ways, representatives from both the Bella Vista Fire and Police Department will be here, and more!!! The purpose of the event is to celebrate summer, to invite people to FUMC BV, to prepare for the new school year, and fellowship together as the church! I cannot wait to see you there!

ANNUAL UMW RUMMAGE SALE ~ Please come browse through Becker Hall and the upper hallways Saturday, August 2 from 8:00am to 1:00pm. There is something for everyone! It is almost guaranteed that you will not go away empty-handed after looking through the bargains galore. This is one of two annual UMW money-raising events put on to help fund the many charities this organization helps to support. Let us support UMW.

Don't just come to church. Be the Church!

God is Faithful! Bro. Jaimie





EPISTLES from PASTOR ZACH

with Rev. Zach Underwood

Hey,

It is great to finally be coming to you live from the newsletter. I would like to talk a little bit about this journey that we are all traveling together. It is the same journey for all of us known as Christians even though the scenery and pace of the journey is different for us all. We should embrace it, enjoy it, and talk to one another about it. The journey we find ourselves on should focus and point

others to Jesus Christ and the role he plays in all of this; with this journey comes our story and we should always be ready to share our story.

All of these different stories is what leads to the diversity within our faith. At one time I thought that you had to have this amazing coming to Christ story, that involved all of the horrible things that happened before Christ entered your life. The truth is that those stories are amazing and wonderful as we see the transforming power of Christ and as we see that nothing we have done in the past can keep us from the love of Christ. At the same time the stories of those who have grown up Christians their whole life, is just as amazing and interesting as those who have overcome addictions. The fact remains they all point us to the love of Christ and the wonderful things he can do in our lives.

I would like to take a moment and give you the cliff notes version of my story. I was raised in the Charleston United Methodist Church. Ever since I can remember, every time the doors were open my family was there. I participated in UMKids and then the youth. Then it was time for me to take that plunge and decide were I was going to go to college. I decided on going to Arkansas Tech University in Russellville. I became very involved in the Wesley Foundation and was there every single night involved in some kind of ministry. After my freshman year I was a leader on the FROG team which was a FReshman Outreach Group. It was on a retreat that I began to feel God was possibly calling me into the ministry. I was not willing to accept it right away because I had plenty of good reasons as to why I should not go into the ministry. There were so many people who could speak better than I could in front of groups and I kept trying to tell God to call one of them into the ministry instead of me. By becoming involved in some more ministries I began to see that maybe I could do this after all. Someone also gave me a quote that said, "God does not call the qualified, he qualifies the called." All of these things helped me to accept God's calling on my life and in my Junior year I went to a "Is God calling you" convention in Chicago. It was on this trip that I would meet my future wife. We served on the same ministry team together, but it was on this trip that we talked for the first time and the rest is history. She just could not resist me after that trip with my boyish charm and appealing good looks. My senior year of college I worked at the Wesley Foundation as a student intern and this only helped confirm my calling into the ministry. After college I went to Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Kentucky. After I got done with Seminary I was appointed to Greenwood, AR., where I served for 4 years. During our time at Greenwood we had our first son, Eli. Then we were appointed to Grace UMC in Rogers, AR., where I served for 3 years. During our time at Grace we added two more sons to the mix by having twins. My family now finds that the journey is bringing us to Bella Vista and we look forward to becoming a part of the church family.

The great thing about my story is that it can impact your story and the great thing about your story is that it can impact my story. All of these stories show the greatness of God and how he can work in the lives of those who call him father. See you soon. In Christ, **Pastor Zach**



VISTA KIDS



WOW! What a great VBS we had, and thank you to all who made it possible! Our Workshop of Wonders VBS led our children to imagine and build with God, and showed them that He is a God who works wonders.

Speaking of wonders, it's hard to look around and not "wonder" what's going on with our children's ministry! Downstairs, there is the dust and sound of construction as new rooms are being added for the influx of children attending our Sunday School program. In my email inbox each day, there are new messages from excited new leaders within Children's Ministry looking for direction as they chart out new programs and better wavs organization. In the faces of our children, there are smiles and new friendships being forged during their church experience that will last a lifetime! Our God is truly One who works wonders! Let's all pause and give thanks for our ministries that keep growing and injecting life into FUMC Bella Vista!

I have been blessed to work with a dedicated group of people from the Evangelism team to organize our "Supercharged" Back to School event on August 15. In the course of 2 days, we lost our band and then hired a new one and everyday there seems to be more outreach opportunities that become part of the Supercharged package! We are still looking for: (1) additional people to work a dry haircut station outside for free haircuts and (2) Donations for some giveaways during the event. Children will be entered for a prize after they complete their Destination: Mission passport that leads them through some of the key places in our church. Our giveaways will include things like sports equipment,

gift certificates or m a y b e e v e n bikes! You may drop off gift cards for back to school places like Walmart, Target or local clothing store at the office or earmark



an addition to your Sunday offering for the "Supercharged" event.

Our children will soon be promoting to new classrooms! We want to add a "nursery" for children that have not entered



preschool so we can give the preschool kids a dedicated and more focused Sunday School time. To accomplish that, we will need to set up a volunteer rotation. For many, this may only include 1 Sunday every 4-6 weeks! This will be a great time to get to know the littlest ones and start their Christian journey out in loving hands. Please contact Kristin or Angie Radar if you would consider volunteering in the vital role within the church.

Summer is fleeting, and soon our families will be back to a more predictable schedule and finding themselves back in worship and Sunday school on a weekly basis. As we continue to ready the classrooms and arrange our classes, please be in prayer for all the leaders of Vista Kids and all the children we have the opportunity to serve.

Kristin Crider, Director of Children's Ministry





YOUTH LIFE

The Youth had a very successful mission trip San Antonio. Thanks to those all who supported the youth prayers and gifts. In September there will be the second meal for those who bought stock in the mission trip. At that meal, there will be a presentation with photos and stories from all who went. As for anyone who wants to come to that meal but did not buy stock, you can still come join us in food, fellowship and presentation for \$10 per adult. Kids eat free.

Downstairs construction is at the very end. Keith

Sterwald, Ed Fischer and many volunteers have been hard at work to get the rooms ready. I know many people are excited to see it. As for what has been done; new rooms with paint, lighting, flooring, furniture and many updating of items that needed attention. This is very exciting for our church. These rooms will give our young children the environment that helps build a solid Christian foundation.

With new rooms come some basic needs. With back to school coming we are in need of art





supplies and basic school supplies for each room. If you could add a box of crayons, pencils, note pads, etc. to your Walmart list it would be very much appreciated. Look for a box that is for church room supplies in the coming weeks.



Upcoming events

Youth back to school lock-in will be coming in August. Date is still being discussed.

Second meal for mission trip stock. Date TBA



Church picture for sale

I was fortunate enough to get a nice picture of the church by a professional photographer. It will be displayed in a week and you may order a print for \$50. It is a nice size and very beautiful. It was taken during the super moon a few weeks ago. Many have seen it on Facebook and it looks amazing. This is a great price for this picture. Please keep a look out for it. Orders will be taken starting July 31.

David Hanson, Youth Director 479-601-1028 dwhanso@gmail.com



OUR FAMILY



Each month this space is used to tell about the people who are part of our church family. If you know of a birthday, anniversary, graduation, hole in one, community recognition, someone moving away or moving in, whatever the rest of the church might like to know to keep up with folks, let me know so I can include the information in these pages. Send your

information to Jan Lowe, Congregational Care Minister at jan@lovelearnlead.com, or 531-0381 or at the church, 855-1158.

SOARING SOLOS

August 3 – Rogers Little Theatre to see Xanadu, and to Mimi's for dinner afterward.

August 22, Friday — Bus Trip - American Indian Museum in Bentonville and lunch at Café on Broadway in Siloam Springs, a unique coffee/sandwich/salad eatery in the downtown area.

Sept 12/13, Friday and Saturday Overnight bus trip — Eureka Springs for Passion Play and optional 3-hour Holy Land Tour. Hotel accommodations \$36 each for shared double queen bedroom.

Sept 22, Monday night – Taco Potluck at church in the chapel at 5:30pm. We'll build our taco's the same as we did the pizzas. You can sign up for what you want to bring when you make your reservation.

To sign up for any activities or to be added to the e-mail list for notification of upcoming activities and events, just send an e-mail to jan@lovelearnlead.com, or call Jan at 531-0381. Church members are encouraged to invite others to join in our activities. You don't have to be a member of our church to participate in outings, just single.

SANCTIFIED CLASSIFIEDS

Coffee Service—Three people are needed to help with coffee service one Sunday a month, for the 9:30a.m. (Contemporary) service. The job is during the 9:30 service, and for about 15 minutes following the service. Please contact Jan Lowe for more information or to sign up.

Sunday Office Angel—7:30am till 9:30 or 9:30am till noon, to answer phones, make copies, if needed, sign people up for various programs and events of the church. This requires someone whose gift is "hospitality." You will be greeting members and those who have come into our church for the first time.

NEW BEGINNINGS...



Orval and Jan Davidson moved to be closer to family early in July. If you wish to contact them, their new address is 300 Rose Garden Circle, E4, Shreveport, LA 71115

Marvin Wright recently moved from Highlands Health Care to be nearer to his family in Wichita, KS. His new address is Larksfield Place Health Center, Room #505, 282 N. Governeour St., Wichita, KS 67226





Clarence Merrill recently moved to Kansas City. His new address is 6500 N. Cosby Ave, # 217, Kansas City, MO 64151



OUR FAMILY

	AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES	AUGUST BIRTHDAYS (CONT'D)				
2	Dick & Sonnie Andersen	10 Karen McMillen				
5	Paul & Denise Healy	10 Bob Toney				
6	Chet & Cheryl Campbell	11 Lois McMahon				
6	Lee & Linda Moore	11 Kobly Williams				
6	Bryan & Carrie Roath	12 Barbara Gersema				
7	Tim & Susan Smith	12 Zach Underwood				
10	Doug & Marilyn Adamson	13 Howard Johnson				
12	Tom & Barbara Humphreville	14 Deloris Sernett				
14	Ed & Julie Fischer	14 Eli Underwood (5)				
15	James & Marsha Deichman	15 Carolyn Butler				
19	Roy & Betty Lange	15 Kirina Kelley				
23	Jim & Judy Bilyeu	15 Bonita Vrieze				
24	J.R. & Layne Anderson	16 Coleman Farrar				
26	Doug & Martha Grant	16 Dale Veach				
26	Stanley & Phyllis Robinson	17 Pat Pershing				
	AUGUST BIRTHDAYS	19 Viola Aandahl				
	AUGUST BIRTHUA75	20 Florence Hill				
2	David Duncan	21 Jerre Marietta				
2	John Rice	21 Jeni McIntyre				
2	Adria Trombley	22 Earl Cummings				
3	Peggy Gamble	23 Kivit Conner (16)				
3	Margaret Lemley	23 William Rhodes				
5	Kaci Baker (16)	24 Brenda Jorgensen				
6	Barbara Jenner	24 Cooper Liddekee (5)				
7	Wesley Gernstetter (13)	24 Alan Packard				
7	Ewart Scarff	25 Jessi Baldwin (11)				
9	Jean Greenlee	27 Charles Korns				



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Hi Everyone!

Can you believe it's that time again? The start of choir practice is just a few days away. It's set for Wednesday evening July 30th at 6:30 p.m. in the church sanctuary. As an added inducement, I'm planning a get-together party in the Chapel following our rehearsal with refreshments provided. And, if you or someone you know might enjoy being in the choir, bring along your voice and your appetite, and try us on for size.

I'm really looking forward to our 2014-15 season. There are going to be so many wonderful opportunities for us to celebrate our Methodist Heritage and to share our faith through music, but in this note, I can only tell you about a few.

For openers, on Sunday August 17th, Bishop Gary Mueller will be in Bella Vista to worship with us at all three of our services. I'd like to ask you to please make a special effort to be present for both the 8:00 and 10:45 services that morning. We'll be singing an arrangement of "Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal" that day. Those of you who were in the choir last May probably remember that we sang through it a few times before taking our summer break, so it shouldn't take too long to get it ready for the Bishop's visit.

up-coming Wesley We have two Series Programs. The first is set for Sunday evening, Sept. 21st. It will feature tenor David White from Kansas City accompanied by our own Broc Hite. David will be singing a program of songs by British composers. Then on Sunday afternoon Oct. 26th we'll have the opportunity to hear an organ recital by Dr. Faythe Freese. Faythe is Professor of Organ at the University of Alabama and is a wonderful performer. We've been trying for years to have her come to Bella Vista, and we're very fortunate that she's been able to include us on her schedule this fall.

Finally, I've scheduled our Christmas cantata for Sunday Dec. 14th, and once again, I hope all of us can be there for both the 8:00 and 10:45 services that day. We're going to do a repeat performance of the cantata "We Shall See Him" that Dan Knight wrote for us several years ago. Dan and our jazz musician friends from Fayetteville will be joining us for this presentation, and I know you're going to want to be part of these very special services.

There's more, much, much more; but to find out what else lies in store for us, I hope I'll see all of you at choir practice at 6:30 on Wednesday, July 30th. Blessings,

Larry Zehring, Director of Music

September 7-11 ~ Hinton, OK South Central Jurisdiction

Disaster Academy

www.scjumc.org



If you are interested in serving people affected by disaster, at any stage of response and recovery, this event is for you. Experience workshops relevant to all levels of skill and interest including; Early Response, Spiritual and Emotional Care, UMCOR and its programs, Site Assessment, Clean-Up, Roles in Response, Long-Term Recovery, and more! And with early bird registration of \$175, covering meals and housing for this 4 day event, this promises to be an affordable, informative, and exciting time for all!



ANNUAL CONFERENCE REPORT

Bishop Gary Mueller has made a call for revival and reform within the United Methodist Church. Spiritual Revival is essential to the strength and vitality of our church as we continue to work to transform lives, our communities and the world through the Holy Spirit. This goal was clear throughout the conference.



Bishop Gary Mueller and Rev. Adam Hamilton At the Arkansas Annual Conference 2014

Reverend Jorge Acevedo's topic at the opening was "Love As Christ". That is certainly a challenge to us. He emphasized the importance of loving our neighbor. If a neighbor needs help we should give immediate aid and ongoing commitment too. Reverend Jorge Acevedo impressed upon us that we need to "do greater things".

The training sessions were very effective with a total of five hours presented by Reverend Adam Hamilton. Session one was to teach us what leaders do and why. He elaborated on four specific tasks:

- (1. Set the tone of the organization.
- (2. Clarify and champion the mission and the vision.
- (3. Hold the organization accountable to accomplish the mission.
- (4. Responsible for preparing the organization for the future by leading change.

Reverend Hamilton also encouraged churches to unleash the power of the laity. He called this working towards a New Testament model of ministry: "Preparing God's people to do the work of the ministry."

His last emphasis was on "why United Methodism matters now more than ever. Again he shared four keys for a future with hope.

- (1. Compelling worship, preaching and community in local churches.
- (2. Calling and equipping outstanding new leaders.
- (3. Starting new faith communities, new models for small churches.
 - (4. Incarnational and compelling mission ministry.

Effective leadership doesn't have to be complicated but it does require determination in planning and living our mission. Reverend Jorge Acevedo encouraged us each to do greater things.

This was my second opportunity to attend and participate in an annual conference for the United Methodist Church. It was my real privilege and great honor to represent my church family at the 2014 Arkansas Conference held in Rogers. I was truly touched by the mission Imagine No Malaria last year and I pledged to contribute at least \$20.00 every month to help end this deadly disease. I did do just that and many other Methodists must have contributed to the goal because we have certainly raised a great amount of funds toward the goal. We really can make a significant difference in the world.

God Bless Each Of Us As We Labor To Do God's Work,

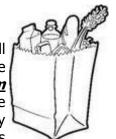
Maryann Johnson Lay Leader



MISSIONS

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Our August 17 collection of food will go to the Bentonville Schools. The **Back Pack Snack Pack Program** helps children who take home healthy snacks on week-ends. By having snacks, on week-ends has

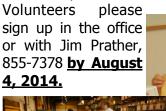


shown to improve a child's ability to stay focused on studying when they return to school on Monday. Items To 'to make a difference in a child's life' include: cheese crackers, fruit cups, pudding cups, granola bars, juice boxes, nuts, raisins, noodles, cereal, etc. There is also a need for all types of pantry food to help some of the families at a difficult time.



ROAD TRIP! MISSION OPPORTUNITY

UMCOR Sager Brown, Baldwin, LA - FUMC has 12 slots available October 5 - 10, 2014 for a mission experience working in 48,000 sq. ft. depot receiving, sorting, packing and shipping supplies for disaster relief around the world or be a part of a community project, such as housing rehabilitation, campus maintenance, or sewing in the sewing room, or just helping as you are able. The cost of this trip is \$220 for registration plus the cost of one night motel room on the trip down and several meals on the road.





MISSION OF THE MONTH VILLAGE HOUSE

Village House is a non profit adult day program dedicated to enriching the lives of participants and providing affordable respite for caregivers.



Village House was established in 1988 and is licensed by the State

of Arkansas Department of Human Services. The center provides social, recreational and educational opportunities for participants.

Village House is a non-profit program providing social, recreational and educational opportunities to its participants & respite/ relief for caregivers.

The center provides care for individuals who may no longer feel comfortable staying at home by themselves. Persons with memory problems, Alzheimer's disease, stroke victims, arthritis sufferers or persons with other ailments and needs are welcome at Village House.

Village House offers its supervised programs of activities of daily living, but who do not require nursing care. An interview with the family and prospective participant is conducted by the director to assess appropriate placement.

We are certified to accept Elder Choice/Medicaid Participants.

UMM

To all men of the church – the August meeting of United Methodist Men will take place in Becker Hall on Wednesday the 13th at 6:30pm. The meal will be Chicken Cordon Bleu with Cheesy Potato Casserole, sweet green beans and salad from Papa Mike's. The program will be presented by Mrs. Xyta Lucus from the Bella Vista Historical Museum, sharing a view of the history of Bella Vista.



FELLOWSHIP

UNITED METHODIST GOLF & PICNIC

September 21, 2014, 1:00 P.M., Kingswood Golf Course - Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for an afternoon of golf, fellowship, fun and food. Sign up sheets will be available September 1, 2014.



METFIELD METHODIST SHEPHERD GROUP

recently gathered for breakfast at Amici's at the Country Club. Marianne Zotti crowned our leader,

Vicki Forrest, as Queen Vicki and presented her with a t-shirt and tiara!

The GROUP will travel to Garfield on August 9 to dine in style at the Shortstop Grill -- home of the giant ice cream cone. Carpool will leave from the church



following the luncheon for the Bobby Cox family, which the MM's will be preparing and serving. Call Vicki Forrest for more information, and let her know if you plan to travel to Garfield <u>by Tuesday</u>, <u>August 5</u>, in order for her to make reservations.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The United Methodist women are in their annual July/August break. However we are gearing up for the rummage sale the first Saturday in August so hope everybody is saving their treasures for the sale. We will be back in business in September and looking forward to resuming our circle meetings, attending our September luncheon and our October bazaar. Hope all of you are enjoying your summer.

2 SERVE SHEPHERD GROUP

Their next outing they will meet at the Bella Vista Museum on Friday, August 22 at 9:30am for a guided tour featuring the history of Bella Vista. Then at 11:00am the group will go next door to the American Legion Hall for lunch. These places are located on the east side of Hwy 540 at Kingsland Rd. If you still are not sure where to go, contact the Andersons and they can help you with directions.

Please let the Andersons, or Pommerenkes, or McBrides know whether you will attend or not, no later than Wednesday, August 20. We hope to see you all there!

Highlands Church Hosts Prayer Weekend August 9 & 10

Highlands Church, 371 Glasgow Road, is hosting a Prayer Weekend. It begins Saturday at 3:00 with a workshop, "Prayer: What's It All About?" Sunday at noon, there is a second workshop, "Secrets for Effective Praying." The weekend is concluded Sunday evening at 6:00 with a Service of Holy Communion and Prayers for Healing. The Simants, an Oklahoma couple, who have led many prayer workshops will lead the weekend and testify to how prayer has changed their lives. There are no fees to attend and all are invited. Please call the church at 855-2277 to register. For more information, visit the website at humcbv.com.



BOOK NOOK



NON-FICTION:

UNEXPECTED GRACE by Sheila Walsh (248.8)

Comfort in the midst of loss.

AMERICA'S CHOIR by Heidi Swinton (782.5) A Commemorative portrait of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

HEARTS OF FIRE by Gracia Burnham (272.9) Eight women in the underground church and their stories of costly faith.

PROOF OF HEAVEN by Eben Alexander M.D. (128) A Neurosurgeon's journey into the afterlife.

FICTION:

LETTERS IN THE ATTIC by DeAnna Dodson Book 4 in Annie's Attic Mysteries

LARGE-PRINT FICTION:

THE TARGET by David Baldacci Assasssins Will Robie and Jessica Reel may not have enough time to kill...

LITTLE NIGHT by Luanne Rice

This is Luanne Rice's 30th novel and her most heartwrenching, thought provoking, powerful tale to date.

THE ART OF ARRANGING FLOWERS by Lynne **Branard**

A beautiful novel filled with tender wisdom and unforgettable characters.

FINDING MERCY by Karen Harper Hidden in the heart of the Home Valley, a secret danger takes root.

Book 3 of Home Valley Series.

LARGE-PRINT NON-FICTION:

DREAM MORE by Dolly Parton(153.3) If I have a wish for you, it is that you: Dream More, Learn More, Care More, Be More.



In case you have not noticed, our Christian flag is getting rather bedraggled! If you would like to contribute to the

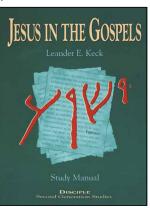
purchase of a new flag, there is a Flag Jar in the office for donations. \$30 will do it!

EDUCATION

Attention All Disciple Bible Study Graduates

Are you having withdrawal symptoms? Are you wondering how you can spend an hour every day reading the Bible in preparation for class? Do you find yourself what to do for two and a half hours every Friday morning? Well I may have an answer for you. Jesus in the Gospels is the second generation study from the Disciple Bible Study people, and as the title suggests focuses on Jesus as he is portrayed in the Gospels.

If any of you are interested in starting a class, let me know. The day and time are open and if there is enough interest, we will get together and decide on the particulars. Talk to me at church, golf or any place you might see me or give me a call at 426-6211. Alan Packard





Monday, August 11, 2014 9:00am ~ 1:00pm **Becker Hall**

Free Cholesterol Screening Please bring photo identification well and drink pierry c. ...
prior to the blood drive.
COMMUNITY BLOOD CENTER
OF THE OZARKS
not-for-profit organization Eat well and drink plenty of fluids





Please contact the office and pay if you would like to attend this event. A block of tickets will be purchased on Monday August 18th.

Premium seats are \$10 and reserved seats are \$8.00.

Discounted Food combos can also be purchased in advance:
Hot Dog Combo \$6.00
Burger Combo \$7.50
Chicken Sandwich Combo \$7.75

(We will do our best to get seats in the shade!!)

JUNE 201						
		*			2014	Compare
		=	—Endowment		Budget	2013
Month to date						
(as of 6/30/14)	Actual Receipts	*	\$54,191	*	\$52,924	*\$48,280
Month to date						
(as of 6/30/14)	Actual Expenses		<u>\$52,708</u>		\$52,924	\$47,539
	Month of JUNE		\$1,483			\$741
Year to date	Actual Receipts	*	\$326,860	*	\$317,544	*\$286,306
Year to date	Actual Expenses		\$319,818		\$317,544	\$292,973
	YTD		\$7,042			-\$6,667
Operating Account			. ,			. ,
\$10,872						



THANK YOU

A special thank you to my kitchen crew for VBS! Mil Davidson, Phoebe Bader, Judy Knadle, Co Ellen Sterwald, Diane Verville and Marion Korns. You ladies knocked it out of the ball park this year. I couldn't have done it without you. Thanks again for your smiling faces, helpful hands and cheerful attitudes. If we feed them - they will come! Blessings and Grace - Sandy Fitch

I am blessed to have so many wonderful friends who helped me make it through the difficult last days with Mike. Your cards, calls, meals, and donations to the church and the support from the Lion's Clubs, both here and in lowa, have been overwhelming. Thank you, everyone!

Mary Patrick

Dear Brother Jaimie and my BVUMC family: Thank you so very much for your visit, Brother Jaimie. I appreciated it so much and it helped me get through. I also want to thank everyone for he prayers, cards, and food. It really made a difference. There are so many thoughtful friends in our church. Love, Layne Anderson

Board of Directors would like to thank UMW for their financial support in allowing the completion of the painting of the exterior of the church and the Atrium during the first two weeks of July. This completed a three-year project! With all the other help we have received from volunteer manual labor trimming trees, weeding, moving rocks, etc from so many, the Church yard looks better than it ever has. Thank you! *Ed Fischer*, chairman

To Bryan and Carrie Roath and First United Methodist Church of Bella Vista, Arkansas; We are indeed ever so grateful to you for being associated with us through your love, care and sensitivity. This you have expressed through your contribution of \$3,000. I am sure that your contribution is a great assistance to us as we strive each day to give of our best to the children who have been deprived of a home and mother's love. Thank you so much for supporting and encouraging us.

Sr. Sagayamary Francis David, Superintendent, St. Catherine's Home, Mumbai

Kerry, Eli, Leo, Liam and I would all like to say, "Thank You!" You have all made us feel so welcomed here at FUMCBV, and we had a great time at our "Birthday Parties." It was the best birthday bash we have had as a family ever. We thank you for the welcome cards, gift cards, money, pictures and toys. We can't thank you enough, and we look forward to getting to know you all better and be in ministry with each and every one of you. Thank you again! God Bless *Pastor Zach*

Thank you:

- ⇒ To all the Vacation Bible School Staff and Volunteers! "Workshop of Wonders" was a faith building fun experience for all ages. You all gave so much your time and energy after days at work and days filled with other commitments.
- ⇒ To everyone who has worked so hard preparing for this year's UMW sponsored Rummage Sale! It is a blessing how the church works to benefit the lives of others!
- ⇒ To Susann & Dee W., Jan S., and Julia B. for the wonderful lemonade stands, which refresh us in our need and add to the sermon series ambiance.
- ⇒ To everyone who helped clean up "our yard", and to MJ, Carole, and Bob for keeping the beautiful plants alive. The grounds have never looked better!
- ⇒ To all who worked so diligently in transforming the lower level into a young people's paradise. It is truly becoming a welcoming space for all ages of children and youth in which to feel comfortable each time they enter our doors.
- ⇒ To everyone who decorated a table for our church-wide "Welcome to the Underwood Family" Birthday Party. The cakes and other goodies were delectable.
- ⇒ To our unsung heroes, Keith and Ed, who are always there when the need arises, no matter how large or small the task.
- ⇒ To those who visit our members and visitors regularly who are unable to get out and about. Personal visits and telephone calls are so welcomed and important to those who may not have family close.
- ⇒ and. . . . To all who don't just come to church, but are the church!!

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						UMW RUMMAGE SALE 8AM - 1PM
BP between services 7:30 Praise Tm rehrsl 8:00 Traditional Srvice 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Srvice 2:00 Soaring Solos	7:59 Golf-Dogwood 10:00 Staff Meeting 5:30 By the Book	9:50 Golf-Highlands	7:30 Men's Emmaus 8:30 Bible Study 9:00 Quilters 3:40 Chancel Bells 5:30 Prayer Service 6:30 Choir Practice 7:00 Youth Life	8:00 Men's Chorus 8:33 Golf Highlands 9:00 Bazaar Workshop	11:30 Preschl Brd Mtng	9:00 Amp Big Book
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Something for Everyone!
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