



The Good News

February , 2011

SUPER BOWL 2011



Feb 6 at 5pm

Watch the Super Bowl on the Big Screen in Becker Hall. Bring your lawn chairs and your appetite for an evening of fun with friends and family.

Pizza and drinks while they last.

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“High commitment-----”

A key to personal growth

A key to spiritual growth

A Key to church growth

What does it mean to be a member of the church? Your church commits to provide spiritually healthy leadership, avenues of Biblical and spiritual enrichment, safe places for ministry and fellowship, care in crisis. What do you commit to your church?

When we join the United Methodist Church we promise to “*Support this United Methodist Church with 1) our prayers 2) our presence 3) our gifts 4) our service 5) our witness.*”

What does this mean? We pray for the church when we think about it? We attend if we don’t have any thing else to do? We give what is left over? Maybe we will take a Bible study if it fits into our schedule? What does it mean to be committed to your journey with Jesus Christ and your church?

Studies throughout the United States have found that members step up to “great expectations.” For example, “If the church thinks it’s a matter of indifference as to whether you attend church or not people are apt to follow your lead.” Members, old and new, respond to a clear mission and a challenge. “Clear expectations convey the congregation’s sense of significance and seriousness about its work.”

We are in the midst of an 8 week study of the Book of James. This Book gives practical, everyday methods to living out the Christian life at any age. It is a book of ethics. What a better time for our congregation to study the commitments we should make as members of this church. We are asking Sunday School classes, fellowship groups, ministry teams along with standing committees to talk about identifying what your church should expect from you.

If you personally want to commit, e-mail us, look on the website, stop by the office and we will have a form for you. We will gather all the responses and present to you “What your church expects of you.”

We have a great mission in God to a world in need. Membership is a privilege and a statement of faith.

Pastor Sara Bainbridge





CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

As we start this New Year I would like to take a minute to say "thank you" to some very important people in our church.

Dixie Young, you do amazing things for VBS for us and for the community. We couldn't have such an amazing time without all of the time and energy you put into this event.

Sarah Griggs, Jon and Jessica Mendoza, and Wanda Williams, you are instrumental part of our children's education. You teach our children to walk in ways of the Lord.

Sandy Lamberty, with all of the changes we had this year, Trunk or Treat was awesome! It is no wonder the children remember our event every year!

Pastoral Staff, you are such an important part of our lives. You are there for spiritual guidance, emotional support and sometimes just a hug. Our lives are changed because of your love and kindness.

Youth Group, you help with rotation, do ECA, stuffed eggs and give the children someone to look up to. You make some great role models for us!!

If I have not mentioned you by name, just know that these are not the only thank you. There are too many for our newsletter, and you are all thanked very much. Without your support, prayers and love we would not be able to do everything we can. Thank you so much!

Now on to the New Year!

We started studying Truth and Honesty in mid January. At the end of this lesson, the children will know what lies are, what honesty is, and how God feels about lies.

In February, we will start the Forgiveness unit and we will also be doing another awesome service project for Valentine's Day. This year we will be making children at Arkansas Children's Hospital smile. While I do not have all of the details of what we will be doing, I do know that we will be having a special guest, Braden Jones. He is a 9 year old boy who last year was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia. He and his family have been visiting ACH for treatment. Braden and his mom Lisa will be coming to talk to us about the journey that they have been on, how God has been at the center of it, and what we can do to help.

As this year is starting out at lightning speed, I pray each of you can take a few minutes and make a difference in someone's life this year. It may only take a smile or a kind word from you, but to that person it may be life changing.



In God

Carrie Drish

P.S.

Friday Night Club, don't forget to read your chapters!!!



YOUTH MINISTRY

Happy New Year and Happy Valentine's Day to you all!

The ministry is has been doing great! I want to recap how we ended 2010. In December, our group sponsored a boy and girl teenager from the church's Angel Tree. The youth compiled money together and we did a shopping night. We enjoyed dinner out together and split up to shop. They did a great job purchasing the gifts and staying in budget.

We also co-sponsored a tree for Bella Vista's Festival of Trees in December. Our tree was located at the Veterans Wall of Honor. It was decorated with red, white, and blue lights and lots of patriotic ornaments. At the lighting ceremony, the VFW Honor Guard posted the colors, the teens sang a few hymns, and I said a blessing over the tree. We served hot chocolate and cookies inside the VFW building afterwards to the spectators that came. I hope you enjoy the pictures from the day they decorated.



We also completed our first mission trip fundraiser on December 11. It was a Christmas Parents Shopping Day Out. It netted approximately \$350 towards the costs of this summer's trip. It was a success and the teens and the adult volunteers helped make that happen. We had been studying Mission Christmas curriculum lessons during Sunday school and we closed the year with a wonderful potluck candlelight Christmas dinner. The food was fabulous that all the parents sent.

Now in 2011, we are already gearing up and starting to plan for Youth Sunday on May 1. We are preparing to give you all an unforgettable service a lot different from our regular worship services. The youth will be using their gifts to lead the worship through vocal, musical, dramatic, and dance talents.

We are ending our book by book study of the bible in Sunday school and will be starting a 6 week series, Three Simple Rules 24/7 for Youth. It will begin on February 6 and run thru March 13.

On Wednesdays, the Youth Handbell Choir has started back up for spring semester led again by Larry Zehring followed by youth meeting downstairs in the youth room. I am getting off the ground this month separate Boys and Girls Groups lead by adults one Sunday evening each month. I will have more information to share once we set an exact date to start these.

We will be hosting the FUMC Rogers youth group here this month for a joint event. It is a 'Back in the Day' party. Some of you may get interviewed by youth to find out about what things were like when you were a teenager to take to this event.

One big thing that is happening soon is our annual hunger service project **Souper Bowl of Caring** that happens nationwide on Super Bowl Sunday. The kids will be around the church with the large soup pots to take donations on Sunday, February 6. Last year, they collected \$400, which was split and sent to The Children's Shelter, Helping Hands, Youth Bridge, and UMCOR for Haiti. This year, the youth have raised their goal to \$600 to add two more agencies Caring and Sharing, and a local food pantry right here in Bella Vista. Please remember that morning to bring your donations and just look for a teen with a HUGE soup pot. Thanks for all the support and encouragement that our ministry receives from you all.

In Christ,

Danette



MISSION



Volunteers In Mission

The planned Volunteers-In-Mission trip to Sager Brown UMCOR Depot in Baldwin, Louisiana the last week in February, 2011 is very much on track. The 14 people currently signed up to go are Ed and Barbara Jenner, Jan Lowe, Diane Cox, Ralph and Mona Johnson, Darrell and Verna Bottjen, Jim and Sue Prather, Keith and Lynn Prueitt, and, just recently added, Dee and Suzann Wresche. We also have two more couples who have put their names in reserve should openings happen; Chet and Cheryl Campbell as well as Marlene Clapp and Jerre Barron.

We realize that not everyone is physically capable of handling the rigors and work demands of some of the mission trips. However, everyone can be of great assistance to the VIM program by providing funds to offset the costs of a trip, which can be extensive. There is an account maintained by the FUMC Bella Vista Finance Office for VIM needs. If you wish to participate, please make out checks to Bella Vista FUMC with "VIM" written in the lower left hand corner.



Mission of the Month Habitat of Humanity of Benton County

Habitat for Humanity of Benton County, Inc. is a non-denominational Christian housing ministry with the objective of eliminating poverty housing from within Benton County and to make decent shelter a matter of conscience as well as action. In addition to building houses, Habitat for Humanity helps to build relationships with families and the community that result in a sense of belonging to the community for the new homeowner. We seek to serve those in Benton County that are in need of affordable housing.

Garland Spurgin Angel Food Ministry

Garland Spurgin Angel Food Ministry was most successful in 2010. Through our Church Angel program in 2010, we were able to distribute food valued over \$2600.00—\$500.00 in December alone.

Funds for the Church Angel program are always welcome and you need not purchase an entire unit to participate. Your donation will be kept anonymous if you prefer. Some funds for this program come through matching grants from the AARP Recycle Center.

We encourage everyone to participate in this program as it is designed to help anyone hold the cost of food down. The more units purchased equals more donated food available to those in need.

We also continue to seek to identify those in need of food relief and ask you to contact Marion Korn 855-3302 if you know of a need.

February orders due: February 14 by noon
Distribution: February 19 9:00 a.m. in Becker Hall.

Co-Chairs: Marion Korn 855-3302

Trudy Baird 876-2112

February Pak-A-Sak

February we will deliver our food to Restoration Village. The village helps women and children who are in crisis. The families are surrounded with a Christian environment. Restoration Village does not receive and federal funds and depends on the generosity of friends and supporters in Benton County. All types of food are needed, especially canned fruit, cereal, soups, spaghetti sauce, pasta, flour, sugar, & coffee.





Pak-A-Sak

Thanks to the generosity of our church family we helped hundreds of needy families in Benton County during 2010. Pak-a-Sak collected 3,995 items of food with an estimated value of \$6,184.07. We received \$1,249.45 through the offering plate and special gifts, plus Mountain of Food funds of \$213.43, which allowed us to purchase 10 Thanksgiving Dinners for the Bentonville Schools Parents as Teachers program for distribution to families in crisis. For Christmas, we delivered 12 hams for Gravette Grade School families. \$100.00 gift cards from Harp's were presented to NWA Women's Shelter, Youth Bridge, Havenwood, NWA Children's Shelter, Salvation Army, Restoration Village, Souls Harbor, Care and Share, Habitat for Humanity, and Helping Hands to help with clients needs at Christmas time. Two gift cards totaling \$150 from Harp's were given to two families in need. To close the account, a Harp's gift card for \$50.98 was purchased which will be used to buy back-pack food items for Cooper Elementary.

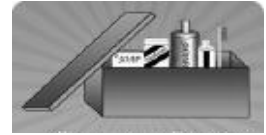
The Mission Team wish to THANK ALL who have helped make this outreach such a success.

I want to Thank ALL the volunteers who have been so faithful in sorting, counting, and packing each month. You have made my job much easier.
Sue Nebrig

Did You Know?

You can bring your **Pak-A-Sak** donation any time of the month. There is a grocery cart in the closet across from the library. Just place your donation in the cart!

Shoebox Ministry



We delivered 2300 total shoe boxes for the 2010 year. Thanks to all of the donors and volunteers who made this possible. Our December delivery total was 317 boxes. A special thank you to the Shepherd groups at St. Bernard for packing and wrapping Christmas boxes for both men and women. They were sent to Hanna House, Salvation Army in Bentonville, Fayetteville, and Rogers as well as Benton County Women's Shelter, N.W.A. Children's Shelter and Seven Hill's. Purses filled with special items were sent to Havenwood, Restoration Village and miscellaneous items for gifts for men and women were given to Salvation Army-Rogers for delivery to area nursing homes.

SUNSHINE SACKS

Sunshine Sacks went to 67 children at Cooper Elementary School just before their Holiday break. We resumed monthly delivery for eligible students in January. We will be continuing this project through the 2010-2011 school year.

SPECIAL BLESSINGS

The United Methodist Women gave us a very generous donation in January. Thank you doesn't begin to describe how grateful we are. What a wonderful group of women who work so hard each year to raise money for the mission groups in our area. We know that the Lord is asking us to continue to help those less fortunate. God Bless all of the United Methodist Women!

A big thank you to the 5th & 6th grade Friday Night Club members who worked with us in our flooded Shoebox room cleaning up boxes of damaged supplies and wiping dry the totes that held our supplies. It was such a big help and we really appreciate your time and effort. Thank you! Thank you!

CURRENT NEEDS

disposable razors, feminine products, gallon size zip lock bags

As always in HIS service,

The Shoebox Ministry Team



BOOK NOOK

There are so many books that this month that we've listed the title of the book and author. A complete synopsis of each book listed will be posted in the case outside the library. We would love to display your artwork in the library. We can display 3 pieces at any one time for a period of 1 - 3 months. Those interested can call Diane Verville at 876-1676.

2011 UMW READING PROGRAM BOOK LIST

EDUCATION FOR MISSION (CATEGORY I)

DISFIGURED by Rania Al-Baz
 FOLLOWING GOD'S CALL by Walter Whitehurst
 GETTING TO THE HEART OF INTERFAITH by Pastor Don Mackenzie
 LIKE BREATH AND WATER by Ciona D Rouse (BONUS BOOK)
 FAITHFUL WITNESS by John Edward Nuessle
 KIKI'S HATS by Warren Hanson
 DIA'S STORY CLOTH by Dia Cha
 PALESTINE-PEACE NOT APARTHEID by Jimmy Carter (LARGE PRINT)

NURTURING FOR COMMUNITY (CATEGORY II)

SAME KIND OF DIFFERENT AS ME by Ron Hall
 THE LATEHOMECOMER by Kao Kalia Yang
 WARRIOR PRINCESS by Princess Kasune Zulu
 WEAVING A JUST FUTURE FOR CHILDREN by Diane C Olson
 A DEEPENING LOVE AFFAIR by Jane Marie Thibault (LARGE PRINT)
 JUST ANOTHER GIRL by Melody Carlson
 REAL FRIENDS vs. THE OTHER KIND by Annie Fox
 THIS CHILD WILL BE GREAT by Ellen Johnson Sirleaf

THE UNDERTAKER'S WIFE by Celia M Hastings
SOCIAL ACTION (CATEGORY III)
 THE HEART OF RACIAL JUSTICE by Brenda Salter McNeil
 WHEN THIS WORLD WAS NEW by D H Figueredo
 NUCHRISTIAN by Russell Rathbun
 HALF THE SKY by Nicholas D Kristof

SPIRITUAL GROWTH (CATEGORY IV)

IF YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE YOU'LL KNOW WHAT TO DO by Ronald Greer
 TOUCH by Pastor Rudy Rasmus
 THE UNLIKELY CHOSEN by Rev. Shirley Smith Graham
 FIVE-MINUTE BIBLE STORIES by Lois Rock
 TALKING WITH GOD IN OLD AGE by Missy Buchanan
 THE CENTURION'S WIFE by Davis Bunn

JANUARY 2011 BOOK NOOK

FICTION:

THE HEART OF THE MATTER by Leslie Gould
 HOLD THE DREAM by Barbara Taylor Bradford
 TO BE THE BEST by Barbara Taylor Bradford
 WITHIN MY HEART by Tamera Alexander
 REKINDLED by Tamera Alexander
 REVEALED by Tamera Alexander
 REMEMBERED by Tamera Alexander
 TAKE ONE by Karen Kingsbury
 TAKE TWO by Karen Kingsbury
 TAKE THREE by Karen Kingsbury
 TAKE FOUR by Karen Kingsbury
 CIRCLE OF QUILTERS by Jennifer Chiaverini
 THE SUGAR CAMP QUILT by Jennifer Chiaverini
 THE CHRISTMAS QUILT by Jennifer Chiaverini
 THE QUILTER'S HOMECOMING by Jennifer Chiaverini



BOOK NOOK

NEW YEAR'S QUILT by Jennifer Chiaverini
 AN ELM CREEK QUILTS ALBUM by Jennifer Chiaverini
 JERICHO'S FALL by Stephen Carter
 STREET DREAMS by Faye Kellerman
 THE ROSE GROWER by Michelle de Kretser
 THE DREAM GIVER by Bruce Wilkerson
 WELL WISHES by Anne Marie
 LONGSHOT by Dick Francis
 UNDER THE MISTLETOE by Irene Brand
 I'LL BE HOME FOR CHRISTMAS by Julie Cannon
 OCEANS APART by Karen Kingsbury

JUVENILE FICTION:

BEAR STAYS UP FOR CHRISTMAS by Karma Wilson
 BEAR WANTS MORE by Karma Wilson
 BEAR SNORES ON by Karma Wilson
 PEEF THE CHRISTMAS BEAR by Tom Hegg
 A SILENT NIGHT FOR PEEF by Tom Hegg

LARGE PRINT FICTION:

MARY MARY by James Patterson
 MORE THAN WORDS by Judith Miller

DVD'S:

THOU SHALT LAUGH hosted by John Tesh
 APOSTLES OF COMEDY

LARGE PRINT BIOGRAPHY:

KATIE by Glenn Plaskin

NON-FICTION:

LAUGH AGAIN, HOPE AGAIN by Charles Swindoll (153.4)
 FOR THE LOVE OF PETE by Marlene Hoyland Zaleski (362.1)
 BECOME A BETTER YOU by Joel Osteen (248.4)

CHOOSING TO LIVE THE BLESSING by John Trent (219)
 DIABETIC COOKBOOK by Phyllis Pellman Good (641.5)
 GO GREEN, SAVE GREEN by Nancy Sleeth (640)
 LED TO BELIEVE by Billy Graham (248.2)
 THE MERCIFUL GOD OF PROPHECY by Tim LaHaye (236.9)
 BECAUSE HE LIVES by Gloria Gaither (782.25)

Sermon Series Creating a Life of Value Study on the Book of James

God's will for everyone is personal growth and maturity from which grows a life of value. The Book of James gives practical everyday advice for developing these values.

JANUARY 30: "Thinking Through the Thought"
 James 1:19-27

FEBRUARY 6: "Red Rover, Red Rover"
 James 2:1, 8-13

FEBRUARY 13: "Knowing & Showing"
 James 2:14-26

FEBRUARY 20: "Taming Your Tongue"
 James 3:1-12

FEBRUARY 27: "Wisdom's Wonders"
 James 3:13-18

MARCH 6: "Facing Your Future"
 James 4:13-17



FELLOWSHIP

First Annual Nativity Display and Soup Supper Success

Thanks to everyone who brought a nativity to display, helped to prepare and serve food and contributed money for their meal, the First Annual Nativity Display and Soup Supper held on Dec. 6, 2010 was a great success. The Metfield Methodist and Sunshine Shepherd Groups and Wesley Sunday School class raised \$500 which will go to Habitat for Humanity. We had 50 nativities on display and served ham and bean soup, potato soup, chili, cornbread and cookies. Mark your calendars now for the Second Annual event to be held Monday, Dec. 5, from 5 to 7 p.m. in Becker Hall.



The M M Shepherd Group will meet at Papa Mike's on February 7 at 8:45 a.m. Order when you arrive. We will collect money for the treasury. Please bring \$5.00 per person. If you are unable to attend the breakfast meeting please send your money to: Cheryl Campbell 10 Pawle Dr. B V 72714. We will catch up on what has been going on with each other and plan for future outings. We encourage all new members to join us and get acquainted with our group.

PRAYER

STOP, LOOK, LISTEN

Can you sense Father God's nudging you to a deeper Prayer Life?

Do you see a need for daily prayer not only for yourself but for this Congregation?

Do you know that when you engage in prayer you are given a greater intimacy with Father God?

We have an opportunity and privilege to pray at one of our three services one Sunday every month. If you feel called to volunteer just one time per month please call me, Peggy Gamble at 855-3565. I have resources available to guide your prayer in general.

Do you agree with me that prayer is a service with a Holy Calling? God will give ear to our petitions in our Worship Services if you respond to His call.

Volunteers commit to pray for one of the three services once a month during which time they pray singly or with others in Room #5.

Ephesians 6:18 reads "Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the spirit, and watching there unto with all perseverance and supplication for all the Saints."

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace. Thank you for responding to His call.

SANCTUARY PRAYER

There is always room for more members to come into the church to pray for those who have shared their concerns on the blue or white prayer cards. Let this be a weekly commitment for you on Sundays or during the week. Call Keith Prueitt at 876-5753 to begin.



UNITED METHODIST MEN

Monthly Meeting

The United Methodist Men will have their next dinner meeting on February 9 at 6:30 in Becker Hall. Papa Mike will be serving stuffed chicken breast, vegetables and desert. Our guest speaker will be Candice Rich, a local representative from the Alzheimer's Association. The Phone Tree reservations call will probably be February 2 and the last date to make or cancel a reservation will be Sunday, February 6. Please keep in mind our Spring Pancake Breakfast will be **SATURDAY, May 14, 2011.**

United Methodist Men in Action

United Methodist Men have been approved for a \$2,000 grant from AARP Recycling Center. We need volunteers to work at the Recycle Center and designate their hours to United Methodist Men. Volunteers will receive a \$7.50 credit for each hour worked. Once enough hours have been put in, UMM will receive a check for \$2,000 to support local charities. This effort not only benefits the organizations we support but also benefits the Recycling Center. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, contact John Justice at 855-0570.

Methodist Men Hosting Super Bowl Pizza Party

Attention FUMC football fans! The Methodist Men will host a Super Bowl Pizza Party Sunday, February 6, 2011 beginning around 5:00 p.m. in Becker Hall. The Super Bowl game will be shown on the big screen; and, while it lasts, a variety of pizza, soda, and coffee will be provided. All football fans are invited to get acquainted and fellowship with other football fan members of FUMC. No reservations are required and everyone is welcome to come and go as their schedules permit. Children are welcome

A BRIGHT IDEA



In case you missed this item in your recent "Insight" brochure which accompanied your most recent water bill.

The City of Bella Vista is exploring the need for lock boxes to provide emergency service personnel easy access to residences. The boxes would be installed near the front door of your residence and would contain a key to your house. In the event of an emergency, police, fire and medical personnel would be able to gain entrance to your home without having to break in. The box would be supplied by the city and only the police, fire and ambulance personnel would be able to open the box. Costs will range from \$50 to \$75 per lock box. If you are interested, contact the city at 876-1255 or bvcity@sbcglobal.net. If there is enough interest, the city will institute this program. It is an efficient way to protect yourself and your home in an emergency.



Pizza winners for Methodist Men's Golf

from Methodist Men's Golf

November

James Forrest
Keith Prueitt
Bob Sanders

December

Chet Campbell
Mark Krysl
Chet Campbell

Closest to the Hole:
United Methodist Men Golf
Sponsored by Papa Murphy's
Take N' Bake Pizza



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Bazaar News

The 2011 UMW Bazaar will be held October 1, 2011. Plans are being made and a meeting will be held March 25 in the Chapel at 10:00 for all those interested in heading up a Bazaar Booth, both those who have done it before and new ladies who are most certainly welcome. More information will be forthcoming.

Judy Bilyeu and Sandy Larsen will be heading up the Bazaar Workshops. If you have any ideas for a project or would lead a workshop please contact these two ladies. These workshops are very important for the success of the Bazaar so please come and enjoy a fun fellowship as we prepare items to sale.

There will be an "*Ideas for the Bazaar*" meeting on Sunday, February 20 at 2:00 p.m. in the quilt room. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to share ideas for the workshops. Workshops for the bazaar will begin on Thur. March 3, 9—2:30. This year, we will also meet on the first Tuesday of each month, starting on April 5, 9:00 a.m. to noon. Questions? Please call Judy Bilyeu, 876-2345.

Karen Roenfeld Verna Bottjen Bazaar Co-Chairs

The **Church Rummage Sale** is scheduled for the first Saturday in August. Please mark your calendars to save the date. Even though this is a summer event we need to plan ahead. If you are willing to be a Chair Person for an area of the sale please contact Cheryl Campbell or Aggie Danenhauer.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

March World Day of Prayer, sponsored by Church Women United, will be celebrated at Bella Vista Cooper Chapel, led by Bella Vista Presbyterian Church Women on Friday, March 4, 2011 at 12:30 p.m. Church Women United provides the ecumenical dimension of the women members of the churches and allows women to take some initiative in the way they express their faith in

today's world. We are members of different churches and Church Women United gives us a channel through which we work together. Through World Day of Prayer, women affirm that prayer and action are inseparable and that both have immeasurable influence in the world. All women in the community are invited to attend.

The theme for the day is "***How Many Loaves Have You?***" Instead of bringing food or articles – a jar will be provided for a free will offering for the Helping Hands Food Pantry. For information call Jan Schweitzer at 876-2174

CIRCLE MEETINGS

Charity	Feb. 8	9:00 a.m. Chapel	Do You Know Your Missionaries?
Hope	Feb 10	1:00 p.m. Chapel	Bee Johnson
Martha	Feb. 21	9:00 a.m. Chapel	Shoe Box
Naomi	Feb. 15	1:30 p.m. Chapel	Shriners
Sarah	Feb. 8	1:00 p.m. Chapel	Orphanage in Thailand
Evening	Feb. 17	6:30 p.m. Chapel	Attitude is Your Paintbrush

THANK YOU

The church staff wants to thank the congregation for the love offering that was given during the Christmas season. Each staff member was blessed by your generosity. We appreciate the Staff Parish Relations Committee and the work they do throughout the year to support the staff of this church.

*Jan Lowe Marge Smith Amy Gilmore
Angie Rader Carrie Drish Barb Mauthe
Larry Zehring Danette Baker
Garrett Greer Shannon Wicker
Dawn Thompson Troy Jorgensen
Rev. Lee Myane Rev. Verle Shoemaker
Rev. Sara Bainbridge*



THANK YOU

To members of "The Congregational Care Ministry of FUMCBV" who prayed for our family each day we send our Thanks. Along with my friends of the "Congregational Care Ministry" we thank you for all of your prayers that helped to guide us through each day of our grief process. It has been a factor in our healing since Wayne's death. Your prayers have been appreciated and God Bless you and thanks.

Love, Carmen Doty

Dear church family,

Thank you for helping me celebrate the life of my husband, Donald Hedman with your cards, kind words, prayers, flowers and food. I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to you, Pastor Sara, for creating a beautiful memorial service. One of the highlights of Donald's Christian journey was his Walk to Emmaus and belonging to the UMM and Lion's Club. A special thank you to all the men who visited Donald at our home. My appreciation to Sharon Galoway, who graciously provided her beautiful musical talent. And finally, to Ed Jenner for his wonderful tribute to Donald. I want to say thank you. I am so blessed having all of you in my life.

Sincerely, Debby Saalfeld

A blessed thanks to each of our Church family for prayers, concerns, support, and their offer of service during my recent hospitalization. A special thanks to Rev. Verle Shoemaker for his personal visit, the prayer shawl and his meaningful prayer during the visit. **Ralph Johnson**

We want to thank our Church family for all their many concerns. A special thanks to Pastor Sara for her loving and comforting prayer for us and to Rev. Verle Shoemaker who brought us two beautiful prayer shawls which we truly treasure! He also served communion to us which we appreciate so much.

It was all of this from you caring people that have helped us to be in Rehab at the Highlands Healthcare facility here in Bella Vista.

Thank you all so very much!

Bud & Mary Jane Brown

I am blessed as a member of FUMC, Bella Vista. Many thanks for the visits of Pastor Sara, Pastor Verle, Pastor Lee, Jan Lowe and Wayne Calhoun who brings the church bulletins.

Your prayers surround me as I use my prayer shawl to cover me. The cards from Handbell Choirs & Sarah Circle members and numerous other members are very welcome. I was inspired by the presentation on TV of the World Premiere of the Jazz Cantata. What a wonderful program! I moved to Brookfield Assisted Living on Wednesday December 22.

With Much Love, Lucile Roberts

Dear Church Family,

We appreciate all the prayers, cards, telephone calls, & visits you have shared with us. Your kindness has been a blessing to us & our family!

Happy New Year! James & Vicki Forrest

As I continue to recover from knee surgery I want to thank all the people that showed their kindness: all the phone calls, cards sent, Sara's visits and Verle presenting me with the prayer shawl, the Shepherd Group #1 with all the planning and delivery of meals. All of these gestures of kindness helped with my recovery. Thank to All and God Bless.

Love, Bonnie Watson

Betty and Irl Palmer have recently moved.

They want to express their gratitude for all the good help provided by John Justice, Chet Campbell, Jack Kolbe and Ed Fischer. Their new address is 620 Monterrey Place, Apartment 205, Hutchinson, KS 67502. Their new telephone number is 620-663-5720.

Julie Fischer would like to thank everyone for the cards and notes that were sent when she was recovering from her operation. They were greatly appreciated.

I have been so blessed to be a part of your community and get to know all of you. Thank you so much for sharing your lives with me. Please know that I will keep you all in my prayers. I really enjoyed and appreciated the farewell party on Tuesday January 18. Thanks for everything. God Bless. **Barb Mauthe**

**First United Methodist Church Of Bella Vista
20 Boyce Drive, Bella Vista, AR 72715**

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We're Here to Serve You

Senior Pastor - Rev. Sara Bainbridge
Associate Pastor - Rev. Verle Shoemaker
Associate Pastor - Rev. Lee Myane
Dir. of Lay Ministries - Jan Lowe
Director of Children's Ministry - Carrie Drish
Director of Youth Ministry - Danette Baker
Dir. of Music Ministries - Dr. Lawrence Zehring
Director of Media Ministries - Troy Jorgensen
Handbell Director - Dawn Thompson
Organist/Pianist - Roiselle Grim
Praise Team Leader - Shannon Wicker
Worship Leader - Garrett Greer
Financial Secretary - Marge Smith
Treasurer - Amy Gilmore

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Newsletter Deadline: 15th of the month

FORWARDING ADDRESS REQUESTED

To the Home of ...

United Methodist Women Mid-Winter Dinner/Concert

Mercy River Boys Gospel

Southern Gospel with Flavor!

February 12, 2011 5:30 pm

COST \$12 PER PERSON

MENU

Beef Stroganoff, Fruit Salad
Broccoli Medley, Dinner Roll
Desert, Coffee

**Free Will Offering for the Music
Call Office 855-1158
or Karen Roenfeld 876-6205
For Tickets**

Winter/Spring Education Classes

**Watch the bulletins for the
schedule of classes coming in**

February and March.

**Pastor Lee Myane will lead a series
of Wednesday evening classes on a
variety of subjects. Choose the
ones you want to attend.**

**We will be introducing a series of
Informative classes for those who
need to know what it means in the
Methodist Church to commit to
Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service and
Witness.**