



The Good News

JANUARY 2018

*Midweek Manna begins
Wednesday, January 17th*
Wednesday Nights at FUMC Bella Vista

MEAL

5:30 – 6:15PM

Suggested Donation:

\$5/Adult & \$3/Child under 10 Family maximum \$15

You are welcome to share a meal with us, whether or not you

GROUPS MEET 6:30 – 7:30/7:45PM

Small Study Groups

- ◇ “Half Truths” ~ Adam Hamilton Study
- ◇ Monumental ~ Traditions of Colonial America
- ◇ Women’s Bible Study ~ What’s Your Story?
- ◇ Love Heals ~ Principles that have Transformed Lives
- ◇ Methodist Family Health ~ February 7th

Books for the classes are available in the Office

Small Craft Groups

- ◇ Color Your Way to Calm: Adult Coloring
- ◇ Melted Crayon Creations

CHILDCARE AVAILABLE For Infants and Toddlers

Pre-K ~ 6th Grade

Led by Angie Rader, Dir of Children’s Ministries

YouthLife 7th ~ 12th grade

You may register for a Small Group in the Office during the week, or by calling or e-mailing the Church Office.
Please notify the Office if you plan to join us for dinner.



Save the date!
Saturday, February 3
See page 9 for details

January 13 is TRAINING DAY!

If you are a member of an Administration Team (Church Council, Trustees, Finance, & SPRC) you will need to be in Becker Hall at 10:00. This will be a team building event as well as training for you know what to expect and what is expected of you.

A light lunch will be served at 12:00, followed by training for all members of the Worship Service Volunteers Team, including what to do if disaster strikes. Even tho you may be a returning member of your team, you still will be expected to attend the training as there have been changes to the expectations of many positions. Please let the office know whether you are coming, so we can prepare enough lunch. If you are only reading scripture, there is no need for you to attend, unless you have questions. Please call Amy Gilmore at the church with any questions.

*We sincerely wish you and yours
the very best in the New Year!
what will you do to be the very best
you can be this year?*



Glimpses of Grace

Rev. Jeanne Williams, Senior Pastor

Happy New Year!

I love turning to the blank calendar of a new year. It symbolizes all kinds of possibilities, hopes, and desires. It also represents a time to get organized. I want to challenge you while you're filling in all those blank spaces with the meetings, events, and trips you already have planned, that you write in a few spiritual goals, too. Things like "pray daily," or "assist with a children or youth event," or "visit the nursing home." All of these are spiritual practices. Pick up a new Upper Room devotional book, too, or download the app, and begin the new year studying the Word for a few more minutes a day. Every small thing you do to align yourself with the mind of Christ is a step towards spiritual health.

The newsletter is full of opportunities to increase your spiritual health. Please take the time to fully read the newsletter as you might miss that one thing that will change your life!

During the month of January, the Vision Team will be asking you to complete a survey concerning worship. We will then take the results of this survey and make some proposals to the Church Council. The survey will be available online and in paper format. I hope you will take the time to make your opinion heard!

God has so many things in store for us, and I absolutely cannot wait to find out what they are and to start spreading the Good News of Great Joy!

New Year Blessings!

Rev. Jeanne

Disaster Response Ministry Update

Disaster Response Ministry Area:

Are you interested in being a part of a new Disaster Response Ministry area here at FUMC? You are invited to an informative/organizational meeting on January 9th from 4:00-5:00p.m. in the church chapel. This ministry area will reach out and support our church, local community, and conference following natural disasters. No prior experience in disaster response, only a desire and willingness to be trained and then help people following a disaster. Please contact Richard & Linda Stewart 316-706-2384 for questions or to let us know you'll be attending (or call the church office to let them know you will be there). Hope to see you on the 9th.

Mission Team Opportunity

Another opportunity that will be available in the spring will be the possible work team to Lake Charles, La to help those who were affected by the latest hurricanes. We are waiting for word from the Louisiana Conference Disaster Coordinator when they will be accepting teams for the rebuild phase. If you are interested in this opportunity, we would like to know. No experience is necessary, just a willing heart to want to serve and help those who need the help.

Look forward to seeing you.

Richard & Linda Stewart



JOINING in the JOURNEY TOGETHER

Rev. Brenda Wideman, Associate Pastor

The Journey

No doubt about it: the LORD your God has blessed you in all that you have done. He watched over your journey through that vast desert. Throughout these forty years the LORD your God has been with you. You haven't needed a thing. Deuteronomy 2:7 (CEB)

There is an ancient Chinese proverb that says, "A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step." In October of 2010, I took that first step. I responded to a call from God into ordained ministry by contacting my pastor and letting him know of my call. With the support of my local church through the pastor and approval from the SPRC, I began the journey. As the steps through the process were taken, I became a certified candidate for ministry; then began my seminary education at SMU/Perkins School of Theology in Dallas in January 2011. I lived in Dallas for three and a half years, coming home to Fayetteville every 2-3 weeks to reunite with my husband, who kept the home fires burning. My internship for my Masters of Divinity was done here with you at First UMC in Bella Vista for the 2014-2015 academic year. Together we developed the current Grief Support ministry during that year. My graduation from Perkins was in May of 2015.

But that was not the end of the journey, for the United Methodist Church requires that certified candidates with the proper educational background, gifts, and graces must go through additional written and oral examination before becoming ordained pastors. Upon approval from those examinations, I was able to enter into provisional membership with the Conference, and was commissioned as a provisional deacon in June of 2016. I have had the pleasure of serving my two years of provisional membership here with all of you at FUMC as together we have grown as a church family and have engaged in our current form of the Congregational Care ministry.

And so, 7+ years later, the last leg of this ordination journey is upon me. I am about to once again go through written and oral examinations for final approval as an ordained deacon in full connection with the Arkansas Conference. The next 6 weeks I will be writing and submitting that writing by the end of January; then will travel to Conway for oral examination on February 19-20.

You may be thinking, "Phew!!" Me, too! (And we wondered why we are called "Method-ists." J) While it hasn't been forty years or a thousand miles, it has been a long journey through the ordination process. There were some times when it felt like I was wandering in a vast desert, but all along the way, the Lord has been with me. I trusted the Lord my God would provide. The lesson of how to trust has been a big part of my journey.

Now I ask for your prayers and your support, especially as I go through the writing and the oral exams in the next weeks. Please keep me in prayers for perseverance, for listening for guidance, for inspiration, and for trust that the Lord will once again lead me through the final leg of this ordination journey.

I thank you for all your prayers and your blessings! Pastor Brenda

A Message from the Bishop

I would like to invite you to participate in the Commission on a Way Forward Town Hall meetings. These meetings will be strategically facilitated to allow participants to provide feedback and ask questions about the conceptual models the *Commission on a Way Forward* proposed to the Council of Bishops in November.

- NW Regional Meeting led by Bishop Mueller: Saturday, January 20, 10 am at Central UMC Fayetteville
- NW District Meeting led by Superintendent Stephen Coburn: Sunday, January 28, 3 pm Russellville FUMC
- More details on the meetings may be found at <https://goo.gl/qanw4N>.
- Reservations may be made at <https://goo.gl/hCctBJ>.

This is a very important time in the history of the United Methodist Church. Please pray every day for our church. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Gay E. Mueller



VISTA KIDS

Angie Rader, Director

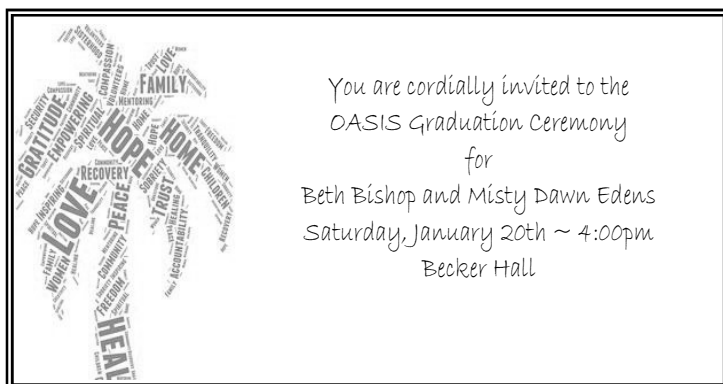
Welcome to 2018. I hope everyone had a great Christmas, and are looking forward to a great New Year. I want to thank so many people for a great year.

Thank you to all the people who have helped with the Children's Ministry this year, We had some wonderful events happen this year. I truly could not have done it without helpers and supporters. I do have copies of the Emoji Christmas play if anyone would like one - please let me know. Also, thanks for the Christmas gifts and cards. That meant so much to us.

We are working on events for 2018. If you have any suggestions for the Children, please let me know. Mid-Week Manna is starting January 17th. I am going to need some helpers for the K- 6th grade. I am hoping to get enough helpers that you only need to help once a month. Please call me or call the Church and I will call you back. Friday, January 19th we are planning a Family Dinner & Movie Nite. It will start at 6:00pm and will be in Becker Hall. Please call the Office to let us know you are coming.

As most of you know, Mr. Troy is leaving as Media Director for a full-time job with the City of Bella Vista. I am very sadden by this. He has helped me, along with so many others, We will miss him very much, but will still get to see him and his sweet family at Church on Sundays. As always, please let me know if you have any concerns or questions. Have a wonderful January.

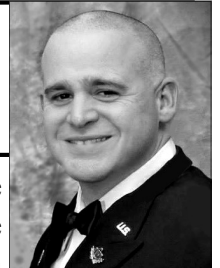
In His Service,
Ms. Angie



You are cordially invited to the
OASIS Graduation Ceremony
for
Beth Bishop and Misty Dawn Edens
Saturday, January 20th ~ 4:00pm
Becker Hall

YOUTHLIFE

Austin Curtis, Director



Well, there is another year in the books. 2017 was a fantastic year! The youth at FUMC went out with a bang. The two events we finished with was the annual Chili Cook-off and the Christmas Party/Lock In. The Chili Cook-off was an amazing event for our youth. We raised over \$600 for 2018 missions. Congrats to our Top three winners (Bryan, Jeremy, and Janet) of the cook-off, and thank you to those who came out to support us.

Now with the 2017 year under wraps, let us then look at the year ahead. 2018 for the youth at FUMC will be all about identity. Starting this month, the youth will be coming up with their own mission statement, vision, and 1-3 year plan. This will give the youth a sense of ownership as well as responsibility as they figure out how all of this fits together in their ministry and relationship to the church. I will be attending a Youth Ministry Workshop at Perkins Seminary this month, and can't wait to build relationships and discover new ways to utilize the youth in effective ways. There will also be monthly challenges for the youth as well as the church, if anyone wants to participate this year. The challenge for this month is the Proverbs 31 challenge. There are 31 chapters in proverbs which will run a month. The challenge is to read a chapter a day as well as journal what you learned. At the end of the month we will go around the horn talking about what we learned. So, will you accept the challenge? Let us make the most of this year LIVING FOR HIM!!!

"Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the dessert." Isaiah 43:19
God is in complete control and will always have our hearts held with his amazing and loving hands.

Be Blessed,
Austin



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 graduation, 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. Please send your information to Brenda Wideman, Congregational Care Minister: brenda@lovelearnlead.com, or 855-1158.

BIRTHS

Maxwell Wyatt Hill — the 7th great-grandchild of Charley and Florence Hill was born December 11th. What a blessing for the month of December.

Hazel Grace Ranier — great-granddaughter of Dorothy and Bob Schuster was born Christmas Day. The mother is Dorothy's son's oldest daughter. Mother, daughter, dad, and big brother, Henry, are all doing well with this precious Christmas present!

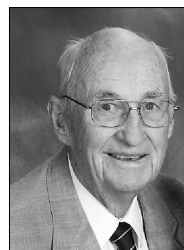
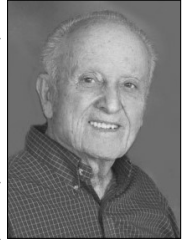
IN MEMORIUM

Jurl Hickey — who with his wife, Malinda, has been a member since 2003, passed away December 3rd at Highlands Care Center. A graveside service was held in Grove, OK on December 6th. Please keep Malinda and the family in your prayers as they grieve the passing of Jurl. Cards may be sent to their home: 3 McHugh Ln., Bella Vista 72715



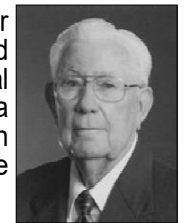
Syble Highfill—passed away Friday morning, December 8th at Highlands Care Center. Rev Jeanne's message Sunday December 10th was "Joy is our True Home". There is sadness at the loss of Syble, but there is also joy, because this difficult part of the journey for Syble was short and she is now in the arms of a loving God. Please keep J.D. and Syble's grandchildren in your prayers as they mourn her loss. Details of the memorial service are pending but expected to be in late January.

Oscar Valdez— passed away at Highlands Nursing Center on Saturday morning, December 16. Oscar and his wife, Lennis, had been members with us for about 10 years, but due to Oscar's health, he had not be able to be in worship with us for some time. A graveside service was held Thursday morning, December 21st at the National Cemetery in Fayetteville. Please lift Lennis and the entire family in your prayers as they mourn the loss of Oscar.



Glen Hogue— passed away on Thursday, December 21st. Glen had been able to go home to The Meadows from Bradford House to be with Martha prior to his passing. His memorial service was held Wednesday, December 27th in our Sanctuary, with a private family interment held at the National Cemetery in Fayetteville on Thursday, December 28th. Please keep Martha, their sons Jim, David & Michael and their families in your prayers as they mourn the loss of Glen in the coming days.

R.D. Shoulders—passed away on December 24th and graveside services were held Wednesday, January 3rd at Centuries Memorial Park in Shreveport, LA. R.D. had been a member of FUMCBC for 10 years. Please be in prayer for his son Robert & family who live here in Bella Vista.

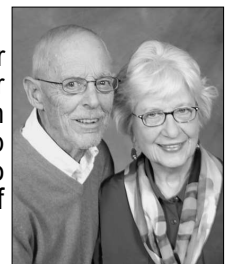


MILESTONES



Joe & Kimberly McGee — celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary on January 1st. They were married New Year's Day 1993 in Highlands, TX. Joe was raised in Houston, but Kim lived many places from the east coast to the west coast before settling in Houston, where she and Joe met at work—and the rest is history! They have made a donation to the Coffee Fund in celebration of their life together.

Wayne & Joanne Hubbert celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary on December 26th. They were married in 1953 in Downers Grove, IL, where they grew up and dated in high school. A contribution to the church has been made in celebration of their wonderful marriage.





OUR FAMILY



Arrivederci!

For ten years, **TROY JORGENSEN** has been working quietly in the background for FUMCBV. Troy has graciously offered his skills with computers and all things audio/visual to enhance our worship experiences, keep our church computers operating optimally and generally making sure that the "tech trolls" have been kept at bay. Troy always is a quiet, cheerful presence. His willingness to work

with everyone from the youth to our older members on church or personal projects has been a blessing to all of us.

Troy had his own business and worked for the church and had numerous side jobs over the years – all while raising his girls, Alexis and Chloe, with his wife Brenda. In fact, you can often find Brenda or the girls running the video cameras on Sunday mornings!

But now, Troy has a new full-time job, working for the City of Bella Vista! While we celebrate with Troy on this new adventure, we are saddened that he has decided to give up his position with FUMCBV. His last day was December 31st.

Arrivederci in Italian means "until we see each other again". We will see Troy often in FUMCBV worship services and other activities and events. Troy, you have been a blessing in so many ways to all of us over the years. We wish you all the best in your new position! Thank you for sharing your special gifts with us. Many blessings!

NATIONAL UMM HONOR. . .

For the first time ever, this year FUMCBV United Methodist Men awarded a Life Service Award, an award that UMM on a national level presents. It recognizes those individuals who do so much for UMM and the church and community as well. It is someone who shows he is a Christian by doing, leading and serving the church and his fellow citizens.

CHET CAMPBELL was presented this award at the December UMM dinner meeting, and is most deserving! He is heavily involved in Habitat for Humanity, the Recycle Center, golf, bowling, and so many of the "dirty projects" that very few others want to do. Next time you see Chet, thank him for all he does for our church, and in the community. Congratulations, Chet—well done!



ABRAM SHEPHERD GROUP will gathering on Monday, January 8 @ 5:30pm in the Chapel for fun, food and fellowship.

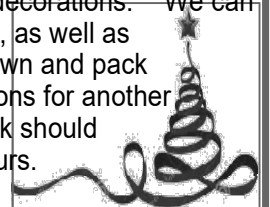
METFIELD METHODISTS SHEPHERD GROUP will meet at Metfield Clubhouse at 2:00pm on Friday, January 19 to go for an Eagle Watch cruise on Beaver lake.

CARE & SHARE TRAILER will be in our upper parking lot Monday, January 15th from 8am-1pm to collect donations to be sold in their thrift store in Gravette. They accept almost anything, as long as it is in good working order and in good condition. Thank you for supporting those in need in western Benton County.

Sarah Tuesday 1/9 1pm	Evening Thursday 1/11 6:30pm Parlor	Hope Thursday 1/11 1pm
Naomi Tuesday 1/16 1:00pm Parlor	UMW CIRCLES	Martha Monday 1/15 9am

MANY WILLING HANDS ARE NEEDED

. . . on **MONDAY, January 8th starting at 8:30am** as we undecorate the Christmas decorations. We can use fellows who can climb ladders, as well as anyone else who can help take down and pack away the Advent Season decorations for another year. With enough hands, this task should not take more than a couple of hours.





JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Joe & Margie Bowen
- 1 Heath & Jennifer Lehmann
- 1 Joe & Kim McGee
- 3 David & Andrea Hanson
- 3 Bob & Brenda Wideman
- 5 Archie & Peggy Birkner
- 5 Richard & Linda Stewart
- 10 Don & Kathy Jones
- 12 Keith & Co Ellen Sterwald
- 13 Bill & Terra Gagner
- 15 Bob & Dorothy Schuster
- 16 Rob & Cheryl Whitesides
- 19 Mark & Sarah Lucht
- 20 Earl & Bette Cummings
- 23 Rod & Arlene Alford
- 24 Richard & Jan Abbott
- 26 Walt & Shirley Wenger
- 27 David & Marilyn Frisby

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Sandy Ivy
- 1 Roger Justice
- 1 Carol Stanley
- 3 Leona Bryson
- 4 Tyler Gurganus
- 4 Molly Harris
- 4 Bill Potts
- 6 Gladys Jutte
- 6 Chris Murphy
- 7 Judi Shannon
- 7 Jerry Snow
- 8 Stephen Grider
- 8 Dena Mayes
- 8 Keith Sterwald
- 8 Anny Weber
- 9 Kay Dale
- 9 Larry Rolph
- 10 Marlene Clapp
- 11 Suzann Wresche
- 14 George Brannon
- 14 Ed Jenner
- 15 Mary J Hammarstrom
- 15 Lorraine Swanson
- 16 Don Denison
- 16 Carlene Jerman
- 17 Andrea Hanson
- 17 Doris Selley
- 19 Troy Jorgensen
- 20 Jan Kolbe
- 20 Co Ellen Sterwald
- 21 Hannah Hanson
- 22 Billy Beverage
- 22 Duane Pommerenke
- 23 Juanita Franklin
- 23 Marion Kornis
- 23 Jean Meadows
- 24 Andrew Smith
- 25 Erica Baldwin
- 25 Ivan Lantz
- 25 R.D. Shoulders
- 25 Nita Wallace
- 27 James Forrest
- 28 Vicki Hoye
- 30 Tom Walton
- 31 Gary Grosnickle
- 31 Addison Thuma



SANCTIFIED CLASSIFIEDS

If you would like to place information in this section - either requesting a service or need, or offering a service - please send your information in writing to Pastor Brenda (brenda@lovelearnlead.com) or Janet Walton in the office (jwalton@lovelearnlead.com). We will be happy to post legitimate requests.

SUNDAY OFFICE ANGEL ~ If you are willing to volunteer any time between 7:30am and noon on Sunday mornings to work in the office addressing the needs of members and guests, we will work with you based on your availability. Greet those who come in with a warm smile and a willing attitude; answer questions or find out and get back to them; sign people up for various happenings at the church.

SUNDAY BUS DRIVERS NEEDED! ~ regular drivers and to cover for regular drivers during vacations, and as needed. Please see Bob Kennedy for more information.

PERSONAL CHEF SERVICE ~ Monday through Saturday. Very flexible on when, where, and how. Please see the flyers on the bulletin boards for more information or e-mail elena.rusamer3006@yahoo.com

YARD CARETAKERS ~ When spring gets here (I know, hard to imagine after this last week!) we will need a dedicated few who will look after our outside plants. Watering will need to be done, trimming here and there, and even a few weeds pulled. We have had a great crew the past few years, but many of them have ailments that will prevent them from continuing in their gardening role. If this is something that might interest you, please talk to Janet in the Office.

If you see something that needs to be done as you wander in and out and around the church, please feel free to report it to the office or possibly do it yourself. Please help keep our church home neat and clean.

UNITED METHODIST MEN UMM invites all men of the church to their monthly dinner meeting Wednesday, January 10th at 6:30pm in Becker Hall. The menu will be catered by Rhythm & Q BBQ. The program will be presented by our own Roy Vogel, who will regale us with his experiences as a state trooper for 27 years. Your reservation needs to be made no later than Sunday January 7th. If you miss the Phone Tree, please call Lou Kaufmann at 366-1291 or the church office or e-mail him at lou@krrealty.com for reservations, or more information about UMM.

FUMC United Methodist Women is sponsoring a mission fund-raising dinner and auction on February 9 to support Restoration Village, whose first priority is to provide women and their children with a safe, abuse-free environment while meeting their basic needs for food, shelter and clothing.

An elegant dinner will be prepared by Marlene Clapp. Lou Kaufmann will be on hand with his delightful humor to auction a variety of unique items or services throughout the evening. A popular guest speaker, Ane Burke, will humorously reminisce about life-long differences between men and women.

If you would be willing to share your favorite table service and set a table for eight, please call Judy Bilyeu or Suzann Wresche to let them know. Family and friends outside the church are welcome to come and decorate a table as well. Tables can be decorated for any occasion. Suzann will be able to assist as much as you want and she can make glassware, silverware, and tablecloths available from the church if you'd rather not bring your own. We plan to use clear disposable dinner plates on top of your good dishes to make it more convenient for you. You can fill your own table with your friends or open your table to individuals or couples who sign up to come for the dinner.



About twenty tables will be available to decorate and commitments to decorate a table need to be in as soon as possible, but no later than Sunday, January 21st. There is a sign-up sheet in the office for tables and tickets to the dinner, which are \$15 each.

Please join us for a wonderfully fun evening full of good food, good fun, and good fellowship — all for a good cause!



from the ORGAN CONSOLE

Broc Hite, Organist/Assoc. Director of Music

You might recall that the Roman god Janus had two faces - one looking backward and one looking forward. He is the inspiration for this article.

Looking back, I want to thank everyone for their attendance to the very last minute Sunday Advent Noontime Concert Series. The first two events had about a dozen attendees each, which was respectable considering all of the other competing activities. Attendance picked up at the Becker Hall events: Voices Bella Vista had 35 people, and 27 folks enjoyed the concluding piano recital "Christmas on the Ivories". Now that I'm determined to make this an annual happening, I'll plan next year's concerts in a way that makes better sense for participants and audience alike.

Looking forward, you will hear plenty of Christmas music in the first half of January, including an intricately written "Adeste Fidelis" by Sigfrid Karg-Elert on January 14th. As I leave the melodies of Christmas behind, I'm really excited to play one of my favorite suites on January 28th called "In Retrospect - Three Miniatures for Organ". It's composed by the late Richard Purvis, legendary music director of Grace Cathedral in San Francisco.

Piano fans - stay tuned for a month of special postludes during the four weeks of February, which will kick-off a large multi-year project.

I hope you enjoy!

Broc



MISSIONS

**MISSION of the MONTH
Feed the Funnel Party
for Pack Shack**



It's time for a party! Come rock your groovy hair net and those awesome gloves - and let's pack 12,000 meals for the hungry in Northwest Arkansas.

Again this January, our Mission of the Month is Pack Shack. We will host our Feed the Funnel party on Saturday, February 3 at 10:00 in Becker Hall. This year, we have invited Gravette and Decatur United Methodist Churches to join our party. Rumor has it that the Boy Scouts will join us as well.

Hunger is still an issue in Northwest Arkansas. The Arkansas Conference of the United Methodist Church 200,000 Reasons initiative speaks to the need of childhood hunger in our State. One in four children in Arkansas live in food insecure homes. According to the Arkansas Hunger Alliance, nearly one quarter of all Arkansans over the age of 60 are food insecure.

We ask that you direct you Mission giving this month to Pack Shack. At 25 cents a meal, \$5 pays for a fancy coffee or 20 meals. \$20 pays for dinner out or 80 meals. To pack 12,000 meals - we need to raise \$3,000.

Let US be the hands of Jesus this year!

BOOK NOOK

FICTION:

DOWN RIVER by John Hart



This book will hound your thoughts long after the last page is turned.

AN OPEN HEART by Harry Kraus

A surgeon caught between two worlds.

MY SUNSHINE AWAY by M.O. Walsh

The moments from our past that affect us most profoundly as adults are often not the ones we expect.

SISTERS OF HEART AND SNOW by Margaret Dilloway

Rachel and Drew may be sisters, but their lives have followed completely different paths.

BOOKS IN SERIES:

TEAROOM MYSTERIES SERIES:

Book 13: *STEEPED IN SECRETS* by Susan Page Davis

Book 14: *STEALING SANTA* by Elizabeth Adams

Book 15: *A MONUMENTAL MYSTERY* by Amy Woods

SHOEBOX NEWS



Happy New Year! We're looking forward to serving those who need encouragement and everyday personal items.

In December, we delivered bulk items to Souls Harbor and Restoration Village. We delivered Christmas gifts to Havenwood, Restoration Village, and the Salvation Army in Rogers and Fayetteville. This month we will pack for boys and girls, and wrap wash cloths.

If you would like to help deliver shoeboxes to one of our shelters, or would like more information about this very worthwhile mission project, PLEASE give Karen Roenfeld (876-6205) or Cheryl Campbell (876-5172) a call.

Blessings to You from Diane, Karen & Cheryl.



THANK YOU



Please don't forget about our ongoing mission project! SNACK PACKS for BACK PACKS

is our on-going commitment to provide 20 snack packs per week for students of Cooper Elementary who are in need of food for the week-end. We need your help!

**Bring your quarters !
Fill the Banks !
Feed a Child !**

Thank you to everyone who sent cards and prayers, called, brought food, and were concerned for me during my recent hip surgery. I am slowly recovering and hope to be back to better than my old self soon.
Roger Scoles

A Special note of Thanks straight from my heart ~ Wishing all my friends in Bella Vista Methodist Church a heartfelt thank you for all the cheery cards and notes I have received. Your love expressed in your cards means a great deal to me. My hip seems to be mending nicely. The family found a nursing home that specializes in people who have breaks and they are good—work us hard and we can see the good results. Thank you for your love and concern!

Love, Juanita Dittmer

(cards may be sent to her at 13516 Townline Rd., Green Valley, IL 61584

Angel Tree

Thank you to everyone who took a name and filled a Christmas wish for a child on our Angel Tree! You made wishes come true for a needy boy or girl!



Thank You to everyone in the church for the Christmas Cards for our homebound members You were a blessing to each

Newsletter NOVEMBER 2017 Financial Data

		2017 Actual	2017 Budget	Compare 2016 Actual	2017 Year-end Budget
Month of November	Actual Receipts	\$41,151	\$50,701	\$54,955	
Month of November	Actual Expense	\$47,484	\$53,307	\$50,931	
	Balance	-\$6,333	-\$2,606	\$4,024	
Year to Date (as of 11/30/17)	Actual Receipts	\$565,715	\$557,711	\$573,302	\$608,420
Year to Date (as of 11/30/17)	Actual Expense	\$526,451	\$586,377	\$571,725	\$639,707
	Balance	\$39,264	-\$28,666	\$1,577	-\$31,287
Operating Account Balance 11/30/17 \$32,771					

Patsy Attaway, Business Manager

JANUARY 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	CHURCH CLOSED	2	3	4	5	6
<p style="text-align: center;">A Blessed New Year to You</p>		10:00 Staff Meeting	<p>8:00 Quilters</p> <p>8:30 Men's Emmaus</p> <p>9:00 Disciple II</p> <p>9:30 UMW Board</p> <p>1:00 Disciple IV</p> <p>3:15 Chancel Bells</p> <p>4:00 Prayer Mtg</p> <p>4:45 Chancel Choir</p> <p>6:30 YouthLife</p>	<p>9:00 Old Sew&Sews</p> <p>11:23 Golf-Scotsdale</p>		<p>8:30 Amp Big Book</p>
7	<p>BP ✓ Between Services</p> <p>7:30 Praise Tm rehrl</p> <p>8:00 Traditional Service</p> <p>9:30 "The Well" Service</p> <p>9:30 Sunday School</p> <p>10:45 Traditional Srv</p>	9	10	11	12	13
	<p>9:45 Staff Meeting</p> <p>1:00 Women's Chris Brd</p> <p>1:30 Friends of Christ</p> <p>5:30 Abram Shep Grp</p> <p>6:00 Venture Crew BSA</p> <p>6:30 By the Book AA</p> <p>6:30 Men's Chorus</p>	<p>9:00 PEO-BR</p> <p>1:00 Sarah Circle</p> <p>4:00 Disaster Response</p> <p>6:00 Cub Scouts Den</p>	<p>8:00 Quilters</p> <p>8:30 Men's Emmaus</p> <p>9:00 Disciple II</p> <p>9:00 Calico Spec Proj</p> <p>1:00 Disciple IV</p> <p>3:15 Chancel Bells</p> <p>4:00 Prayer Mtg</p> <p>4:45 Chancel Choir</p> <p>6:30 UMM Dinner</p> <p>6:30 YouthLife</p>	<p>9:30 Telephone training</p> <p>11:06 Golf-Scotsdale</p> <p>11:30 Hope Circle</p> <p>4:00 Small Group Ldrs</p> <p>6:00 Evening Circle</p> <p>6:00 BSA Pack Meeting</p>	<p>11:30 Preschl Brd Mtng</p>	<p>8:30 Amp Big Book</p> <p>10:00 TRAINING</p> <p>12:30 EDIM Training</p>
14	<p>7:30 Praise Tm rehrl</p> <p>8:00 Traditional Service</p> <p>9:30 "The Well" Service</p> <p>9:30 Sunday School</p> <p>10:45 Traditional Service</p>	16	17	18	19	20
	<p>CARE & SHARE</p> <p>8:00 Martha Circle</p> <p>9:45 Staff Mtng</p> <p>11:00 PEO-CD</p> <p>12:45 Womens Chorus</p> <p>6:30 By the Book AA</p> <p>6:30 Men's Chorus</p>	<p>1:00 Naomi Circle</p> <p>1:00 BV Book Club</p> <p>6:00 BSA DenMtng</p>	<p>8:00 Quilters</p> <p>8:30 Men's Emmaus</p> <p>9:00 Disciple II</p> <p>9:00 Calico Anytimers</p> <p>1:00 Disciple IV</p> <p>3:15 Chancel Bells</p> <p>4:00 Prayer Mtg</p> <p>4:45 Chancel Choir</p> <p>5:30 MIDWEEK MANNA</p>	<p>11:06 Golf-Berksdale</p> <p>2:30 Beautiful Colors</p>	<p>6:00 Family Dinnr/Movie</p>	<p>8:30 Amp Big Book</p> <p>10:00 SAR</p> <p>4:00 Oasis Grad</p>
21	<p>7:00 Handbell Practice</p> <p>7:30 Praise Tm rehrl</p> <p>8:00 Traditional Service</p> <p>9:30 "The Well" Service</p> <p>9:30 Sunday School</p> <p>10:45 Traditional Service</p>	23	24	25	26	27
	<p>BLOODMOBILE</p> <p>9:00 Calico Cut-Ups</p> <p>9:45 Staff Meeting</p> <p>12:45 Women's Chris</p> <p>6:00 Venture of Christ</p> <p>6:30 By the Book AA</p> <p>6:30 Men's Chorus</p>	<p>3:00 by Library Board</p> <p>6:00 BSA Pack Mtng</p>	<p>8:00 Quilters</p> <p>8:30 Men's Emmaus</p> <p>9:00 Disciple II</p> <p>9:00 Dog Beds</p> <p>1:00 Disciple IV</p> <p>3:15 Chancel Bells</p> <p>4:00 Prayer Mtg</p> <p>4:45 Chancel Choir</p> <p>5:30 MIDWEEK MANNA</p>	<p>11:06 Golf-Scotsdale</p> <p>4:00 Small Group Ldrs</p>		<p>8:30 Amp Big Book</p>
28	<p>DISASTER RESPONSE</p> <p>7:30 Praise Team Rehrls</p> <p>8:00 Traditional Service</p> <p>9:30 "The Well" Service</p> <p>9:30 Sunday School</p> <p>10:45 Traditional Service</p>	30	31	1	2	3
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Call the church office for an appointment — or just show up!

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Eat well and drink plenty of fluids prior to the blood drive



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