



The Good News

June, 2015

Things to do in JUNE around the FUMCBV Neighborhood

Helping Hands NWA
Saturday, June 6th



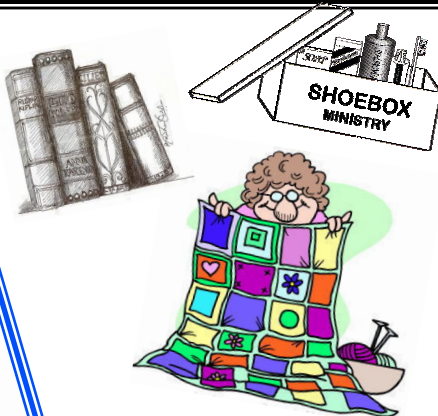
United Methodist Women
Dinner ~ Wednesday, June 24



Annual Conference 2015
Arkansas
Hot Springs, June 14 - 17

Call to Spiritual Revival!

Honor your Father
Sunday, June 21



UNITED METHODIST
MEN
Dinner, Wednesday, June 10



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Lunch & Learn ~ Wednesday, June 10

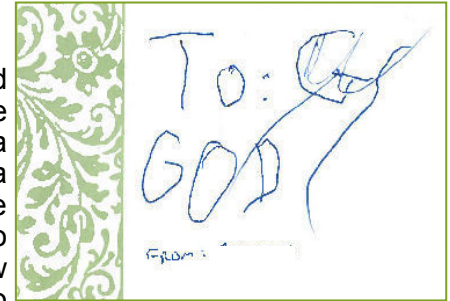
COMMUNITY BLOOD CENTER OF THE OZARKS
Monday, June 22



FAITH WALK

with Brother Jaimie J. Alexander

From a child's hand to God's heart!



I found an empty envelope on my desk keyboard. It had the words "To: God" and "From: . . ." with a name written on the front. It was clearly the handwriting of a child and the name of the child had been printed by a parent. The small envelope had been placed in the offering plate on Sunday and inside it contained \$ 1.73. The persons who count the offering had found it and wanted me to see it. It is amazing how a few scribbles that read "To: God" written by a child get your attention. To some, the amount was small, but to God the \$1.73 is huge! The offering was given out of the purity of a child's faith. Matthew 18:3 says.... "And he said: 'Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven'".

Faith is the essence of the Christian life. Faith is emphasized throughout scripture and is presented as an absolute necessity. In fact, "without faith, it is impossible to please God" (Hebrews 11:6). The entire chapter of Hebrews 11 is about faith and those who possessed it. Faith is a gift from God, as we see in Ephesians 2:8-9, and not something we come up with on our own. All Christians have received the gift of faith from God, and faith is part of the armor of God—the shield with which we protect ourselves (Ephesians 6:16).

The Bible never teaches us to have "childlike" faith, at least not in so many words. Jesus says that we must "become as little children" in order to enter the kingdom of God. The context of Jesus' statement is the disciples' question, "Who, then, is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" (verse 1). In response, Jesus "called a little child to him, and placed the child among them. And he said: 'Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me'" (verses 2–5). Jesus promoted a humble, honest faith in God, and He used the innocence of a child as an example. We are called to have the faith of child and trust God completely. When each of us does this personally, we are changed. When we do this as a church, we are changed.

You CAN Make A Difference!!!!!!

I often wonder if we are doing our best to welcome persons to worship and to events at First United Methodist Church. I have feedback that we do a good job with some people and not such a great job for other people. We must continually strive to do our best at all times no matter whether it is Sunday morning worship, a UMW meeting, Pancake Breakfast, Funeral, etc. Here are some ways you can help welcome people to First United Methodist Church, both guest and members! It takes us all to help to welcome people and help people to feel at home at FUMCBV! (Clip this out and keep it handy to review!)

- ⇒ **"Thank you for being here."** It's just that basic. I have heard from numerous church guests who returned because they were simply told "thank you."
- ⇒ **"Let me help you with that."** If you see someone struggling with umbrellas, young children, diaper bags, purses, and other items, a gesture to hold something for them is a huge positive. Of course, this comment is appropriate for member-to-member as well.
- ⇒ **"Please take my seat."** It is a incredible welcoming gesture to offer your seat to someone else.
- ⇒ **"Here is my email address or phone number. Please let me know if I can help in any way."** Of course, this comment must be used with discretion, but it can be a hugely positive message to a guest.
- ⇒ **"Can I show you where you need to go?"** Guests do not know where to find the nursery, restrooms, and small group meeting areas, and members do not either, sometimes. You can usually tell when a guest does not know where he or she is to go by the look on their face.

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Epistles from Pastor Zach

with Associate Pastor Zach Underwood

"No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money."

Matthew 6:24

This verse keeps coming to my mind. Not so much the part about serving God and money (although that is a very real struggle for most of us). But the serving "two masters," so to speak. For me, the last couple of weeks goes along with the saying, "you can't be in two places at once." As we are trying to get a house ready to move into in Fort Smith, I know I have neglected duties in Bella Vista. When I am in Bella Vista, I can't help but think of all the things that still need to be done in Fort Smith to even be able to move in on Friday.

We all have circumstances that compete for our time and uses of our talents. But no matter what, are we putting God first and using our time and talents wisely to honor Him?

I want to focus solely on ministry and my last few weeks at FUMCBV, but we are excited about our future and this new adventure we are embarking upon. I am learning a very valuable lesson in not being able to serve two masters. But through it all, prayerfully I am putting God first.

P.S. I would like to thank all of you for your kind words of affirmation and support in this very difficult decision that has been made. It really does mean a lot to us!

Blessings, *Pastor Zach*



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- ⇒ **"Let me introduce you to _____."** The return rate of guests is always higher if they meet other people. A church member may have the opportunity to introduce the guest to the pastor, other church staff, and other members of the church.
- ⇒ **"Would you join us for breakfast or lunch?"** I saved this question for last for two reasons. First, the situation must obviously be appropriate before you offer the invitation. Second, this approach has the highest guest return rate of any one factor. What if our church members sought to invite different guests 6 to 12 times a year? The burden would not be great; but the impact would be huge.

Don't Miss Pastor Zach Day !

On Sunday June 7th we will celebrate Pastor Zach Underwood Day!

On this Sunday, Pastor Zach will preach his last sermon in all services as the associate pastor of FUMC Bella Vista. During the morning we will have a continual reception in Becker Hall to share our appreciation with him and his family as they move to Fort Smith. You are encouraged to offer Pastor your words of appreciation in a card and present it to him. Pastor Zach's last Sunday is June 14th.

That evening, the Staff and Staff Parish Relations Committee Members will celebrate the Underwood family with a meal at Carino's Italian Restaurant in Rogers at 5:00pm.

God is Faithful!

Bro. Jaimie

Don't just come to church, BE THE CHURCH!



Joining in the Journey Together

with Brenda Wideman, Minister of Grief Support and Spiritual Growth

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is thy name in all the earth!" Psalm 8:1

As you are reading this, I should be enroute back to Northwest Arkansas after graduation and the trip my husband and I took to celebrate. We have been in a part of God's beautiful world I had never seen, Switzerland, Germany, and Austria. I always stand in awe at the majesty of creation and the diversity in the many parts of our earth. No doubt there have been many memories and pictures to share with all of you.

But it's always good to come home! I look forward to being with all of you once again. I am so thankful for this church family and the opportunity to be in ministry with you for the coming year. After settling back in for the summer, we will once again offer the grief support group, "When Mourning Dawns", starting in August. This is a 10-week journey through the seasons of grief, exploring the similarities of grief and the natural seasons of the year. Through our journey together, we are able to find insight, compassion, and hope during our times of loss. Our last support group had about 18 men and women who attended. We extend an invitation to you to join us for this journey! Watch the July newsletter for more information including an introductory session to be held in July. I hope you will consider joining us.

Blessings, *Brenda*

UMW SUNDAY

The United Methodist Women have chosen Sunday, June 14, as UMW Sunday. Women of the church will be participating in each service. We will also have a special women's choir under the direction of Judi Packard, and all women in the church who like to sing are welcome to join the choir for that Sunday. Plans are for the group to sing two songs during the first and third services. You can opt to sing at either or both traditional services. There will be one rehearsal Wednesday, June 10 at 4:30 PM in the sanctuary. To indicate your participation and to ensure enough music is ready, please contact Judie Packard at 426-8114 or owlsnest5855@sbcglobal.net.

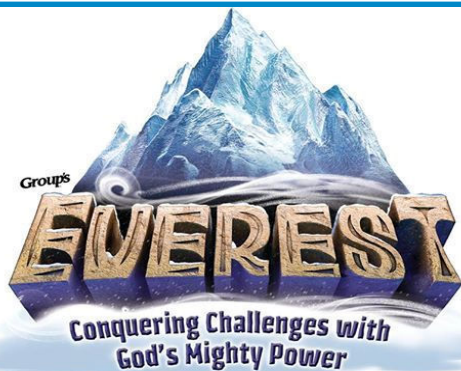


Brenda Wideman will bring the message. We are so happy to welcome her back to Bella Vista First United Methodist as a staff person.



*Welcome Associate Pastor
Judy Rudd Platt!*

Pastor Judy will arrive Wednesday, July 1st. She will preach her first sermon in all services on Sunday, July 12th. Please join us as we host a 3pm - 5pm come-and-go reception to welcome her and her husband, Rev. Dixon Platt in the chapel that afternoon.



Vacation Bible School
July 19 ~ 23
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

VISTA KIDS

with Kristin Crider,
Director of Children's Ministries



June is a time of action...vacation plans, family time, yard work & home projects! Being able to get up & outside and make things happen is a great feeling! What's going on with our faith during this time? We can apply that same sense of action to our own faith and it's a wonderful time to grow. Whether it's the mountain of food project or many activities that build faith and fellowship at our church, getting active and building up our faith through action is a great way to be energized!

The children learned the fruits of the spirit in May. These are qualities that GROW in us through the action of living and learning God's word! Who wouldn't want more fruit in their life? Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness and Self Control grow as we continue to plant new seeds of God's direction in our life! In June, we will learn about taking care of God's Creation...the world, our resources, ourselves and others.

If you haven't had a chance to see our new VBS display in Becker Hall, stop by! You can get a sense of what we will be learning and doing during our 5-day trek of overcoming life's obstacles with God's mighty power. To serve the 200+ people that will walk through our doors during this time, we will need the hands and feet of our congregation. From welcoming smiles to walking with our children, there is a spot and a need for all! Please write your name down as one who will serve during this time that opens our church doors wide to the community! We will have a volunteer meeting in June to solidify everyone's roles.

We have a continued need for volunteers during children's Sunday School. Newcomers to our church feel loved and cared for when they bring their children into an area with many teachers and caretakers. We want to show them that we are ready to serve! Please contact the office and let them know you are available to help during our children's Sunday School hour!

Kristin



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. Send your information to Jan Lowe, Congregational Care

Minister at jan@lovelearnlead.com, or 531-0381 or 855-1158.

NEW MEMBERS

Jerry and Cindy Snow

became members of our church on May 5, 2015. They are not strangers to this church, having been members here when Wendell Dorman was pastor. They usually attend *The Well* service at 9:30am. They are members of the Metfield Methodists Shepherd Group. Rod and Arlene Alford are their First Friends. Both are mostly retired now, but Jerry does have a t-shirt printing business and Cindy is a gourmet cook. She used to have a shop but has since sold it.

The Snow's have three girls; Shannon, lives in Bella Vista. Kim and Kelly both live in Fayetteville. They have five grandchildren. Jerry had previously served four years as a Bella Vista city councilman, but enjoys his mostly retired days now. Please make them feel welcome when you see them at church or in the grocery store.



Jody Iliff joined our church on May 10, 2015, at the Contemporary worship service. Her First Friends are Naomi Stephen and Cathy Luck. She is in the "Believers" Shepherd Group. Jody is a food server at Concordia Care Center. She has previously been a CAN, and a housewife.

Jody enjoys sewing, reading, fishing, and swimming. Her favorite pastime is to be outdoors where she can just watch and appreciate nature. Please welcome Jody when you next see her in church.



Bruce and Vickee Fleming became members of FUMCBV on May 10, at the 8am service. They belong to the "Young at Heart" Shepherd Group. Their First Friends are Judie and Alan Packard. Home is Castle Rock, Colorado.

Bruce works for the POA Golf Division. Previously he was VP of Sales for Fuji Film. He enjoys golf and bass fishing. Vickee is retired after 30 years as a travel agent. She is a golfer and she knits. She also likes horses. They have three sons, Richard (deceased), Jason, and Robert, and four grandchildren. Please greet them when you see them at the 8am Sunday service or out on the golf course.



Prayer
Shawl
Ministry

We are so grateful for the many Prayer Shawls that are knit or crocheted by a loyal group of women who come to the church on Tuesday mornings, or who work at home and bring their finished shawls in to be labeled and prayed over before being presented to some special person. Prayer Shawls provide warmth and comfort but are not for sale. You can make a donation to this ministry to help defray the cost of materials. Make checks payable to the church. In the Memo section, write *Prayer Shawl Ministry*.



OUR FAMILY

SOARING SOLOS (Where singles come together for fellowship and fun)

June Plans:

June 5, Friday, 9am—Café Amici at the Bella Vista Country Club for breakfast and fellowship. (Café Amici opens at 9am.)

June 28, Sunday, 5pm—Movie Night at FUMC; Bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Notify Jan if you have a movie to share. We will take time to discuss the movie when it is over.

To sign up for any of the above activities or to be added to the e-mail list for notification of upcoming activities and events, contact Jan at jan@lovelearnlead.com, or call 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.

Every One In Ministry **Sunday Volunteer Schedule**

The July through December schedule will be ready for Sunday volunteers by mid-June. When you receive your schedule, please notify your Team Leader of any changes you need to make to your scheduled times.

Please review **Sanctified Classifieds** on this page to see Sunday jobs that still need to be filled for the rest of this year.

If you are new to the church, consider volunteering for one of the needed vacancies. It is a great way to serve the Lord and to get to know others in the church.

TWO DEMENTIA/ALZHEIMERS EVENTS **at FUMC in JUNE**

Broyles Foundation presentation... **Caregivers Support Group Meeting**

Monday, June 8th, 9 a.m., Room #23

The presentation will be made by Betsy (the daughter) and Molly (the grand-daughter) of the late Barbara Broyles who was the wife of Coach Frank Broyles. Both women are certified counselors and have a vast amount of experience as a family caregiver. At the support group meeting, Betsy and Molly will be discussing day-to-day care tips for your loved one and tips on how to take care of YOU the caregiver. They will also place emphasis on the issue of family dynamics. This will be an information-packed session and attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions.

Are you caring for a Loved One with Alzheimer's or other types of Dementia?

If so, Make your reservation for the upcoming

FREE LUNCH & LEARN EVENT

Wednesday, June 10, 11 am – 2 pm

Two of the most important and difficult issues caregiver's must address on a regular basis are:

COMMUNICATION and BEHAVIOR DISORDERS

As a participant in this event you will learn techniques for dealing with these two issues.

**The presentation will be made by Tina Long,
State Director for the Alzheimer's Association**

RSVP TODAY: Make your reservation for the workshop and the lunch by calling the Church office 479-855-1158

SANCTIFIED CLASSIFIEDS

Coffee Server - following the 8:00am service, one Sunday a month, less than 45 minutes.

Coffee Server - following 10:45am service, one Sunday a month, less than 30 minutes.

Please see Jan Lowe or Sue Nebrig if you would like more information, or if you would like to volunteer, beginning in July.

Sunday Office Angel - are you able to volunteer at the Reception Desk in the Office on Sunday mornings addressing the needs of members and guests? You will greet those who come in with a warm smile and a willing attitude, answer questions, sign people up for various happenings at the church. **7:30–8am Filled** **9–9:30am** **10–10:45am** **11:45–12:15pm**

Please contact Jan Lowe for these, or any other job in which you may be interested!



JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Richard & Jill Hale
- 1 John & Gladys Jutte
- 1 Roy & Jan Vogel
- 2 Chris & Melinda Murphy
- 3 Bill & Aggie Danenhauer
- 5 Les & Gretchen Magee
- 8 Bobby & "G" Billingsley
- 8 Larry & Charlene Marshall
- 9 Lonnie & Shalan Ziemianin
- 10 Jack & Jan Kolbe
- 16 Tom & Molly Harris
- 16 Carroll & Juanita Prior
- 21 George & Mary Ann Tompkins
- 21 Ed & Betty Weider
- 22 Wayne & Kelly Parham
- 22 Rick & Rose Taylor
- 23 Noah & Pamela Pittman
- 27 Jim & Sue Prather

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Rick Taylor
- 2 Doug Adamson
- 2 Dennis Cox
- 2 Jeremy McIntyre
- 2 Gail Phillips
- 2 Austin Roath
- 2 Suzanne Shoemaker
- 3 Bill Danenhauer
- 3 Hal Shope
- 3 Carol Tomlinson
- 4 Ron Pullin
- 5 Jessie Bradley
- 5 Janie Koonce
- 5 Allison Ziemianin

JUNE BIRTHDAYS (CONT'D)

- 6 Marilyn Adamson
- 6 Dixie Young
- 7 Terra Gagner
- 8 Marcia Bohn
- 8 Brenna Drindak
- 9 Judy Bilyeu
- 9 Zach Mendoza
- 9 Tiffany Sampson
- 10 Juanita Clark
- 11 Jerre Barron
- 11 Laura Duncan
- 12 Ralph Johnson
- 12 Linda Moore
- 12 Angie Rader
- 12 Miriam Stocks
- 13 Shalyn DeGraf
- 13 Jean Hendrix
- 14 Lynda Berk
- 14 Pat Cooper
- 14 Shirley Hofmann
- 15 Judy Duncan
- 15 Sandy Larsen
- 15 Janice Vogel
- 16 Jim Belcoff
- 17 Tim Harris
- 17 Peggy Stout
- 17 Zoe Stucker
- 20 Bruce Fleming
- 23 Melinda Murphy
- 24 Alexis Jorgensen
- 25 Owen Jones
- 27 Christy Harris
- 28 Abby Hamrin
- 29 Steve Sandusky



BOOK NOOK



LARGE-PRINT FICTION:

THE SHOP ON BLOSSOM STREET by Debbie Macomber
Four lives knit together.

LAST ONE HOME by Debbie Macomber
Growing up Cassie and her sisters were very close until one fateful event drove them apart.

MISS JULIA LAYS DOWN THE LAW by Ann B. Ross
This 16th entry in the Miss Julia series is guaranteed to be the most exciting adventure yet.

MEMORY MAN by David Baldacci
Amos Decker's life changed forever...Twice!

SYCAMORE ROW by John Grisham
We return to that famous courthouse in Clanton as Jake Brigance once again finds himself in a fiercely controversial trial.

FICTION:

EVERLASTING by Kathleen Woodwiss
A glorious celebration of a secret love that is dangerous, irresistible and forbidden.

MONTANA by Debbie Macomber
Moving to Montana is one thing; getting married is yet another! Some borders aren't so easy to cross.

THE TWILIGHT OF COURAGE by Bodie and Brock Thoene
As the clouds of war gather over an unprepared Europe, the remarkable and moving stories of an international cast of characters unfold in this book.

THE RETURN JOURNEY by Maeve Binchy
Powerfully compelling stories of love, loss, revelation and reconciliation.

THE GIFT by Nora Roberts
Two timeless classics: Home for Christmas and All I want for Christmas.

END OF THE DRIVE by Louis L'Amour
A boy of 17, yearning to prove he is a man, squares up against an outlaw.

MONUMENT ROCK by Louis L'Amour
Newly discovered frontier stories.

LANCASTER COUNTY SECRETS by Suzanne Woods Fisher
3 books in one: The Choice, The Waiting, and The Search.

A LOVE UNDONE by Cindy Woodsmall
An Amish novel of shattered dreams and God's unfailing Grace.

BIOGRAPHY:

A BOLD FRESH PIECE OF HUMANITY by Bill O'Reilly
In his most intimate book yet, O'Reilly goes back in time to examine the people, places and experiences that made him the success he is today.

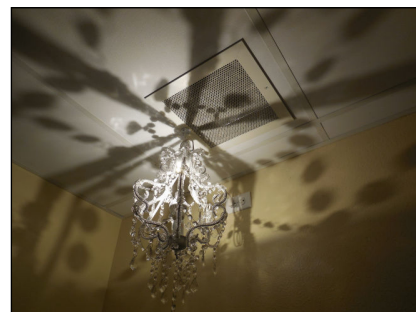
DVD'S:

THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST by Theodore Dubois
ONE CHRISTMAS
THE THREE DOGCATCHERS

BOOKS IN SERIES:

The Half-Stitched Series by Wanda Brunstetter
1. THE HALF-STITCHED AMISH QUILTING CLUB
2. THE TATTERED QUILT
3. THE HEALING QUILT

Can you guess what this is ???



Many "THANKS" to Nancy Spangler and Sandy & Steve Larsen for their many hours of blood, sweat & tears in redecorating the Women's bathroom next to the Library. If you haven't guessed yet, this is the new chandelier which provides an elegant ambiance to the new room.



DISCIPLE

"If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples." ~John 8:31

What's coming up this fall?

It's that time of year again! *Disciple Bible Study* groups will be forming and plans are being made to invite new participants to the program.

Disciple Bible Study is an opportunity to begin, or renew, your study of our Christian scripture. It is a series of sequential studies of the Bible and begins with an overview of the Old and New Testaments and ends with a study of Revelation. This series takes four years to complete, but leaves you with a new and exciting understanding of what the Holy Scripture holds for you as an individual.

For the 2015-2016 year, there are many opportunities for you to take part. A *Disciple 1* class will be available for those who are interested. This class is the foundation for all of the other *Disciple* classes, as it provides each learner with a sound knowledge of the Old and New Testaments – the basis for the other three studies. This class must be taken before you can enroll in any of the other *Disciple* classes. The day and time for this class is yet to be determined.

The second opportunity for study is for those who have completed *Disciple 3* and would like to continue their studies. A *Disciple 4* class will be offered on Wednesday mornings from 8:30 to 11:00. *Disciple 4* is a sixteen week study of the Old Testament Writings and a sixteen week study of New Testament Writings, including the book of Revelation. There are two other programs that extend the study; *Jesus in the Gospels* and *The Christian Believer*, which was started this year.

For those of you who are interested in beginning or continuing *Disciple Bible Study*, contact Alan Packard (426-6211) for more specific information. There will also be a sign up sheet in the office.

Other opportunities are available if there is enough interest. Evening class are always available – the only requirement is that we need to secure a group of at least six people to participate.



For the last nine months eighteen members of the congregation have spent 30 to 60 minutes each day reading assignments in their Bibles and two hours each week in class seeking to improve their knowledge of the Bible and move forward on their faith journeys.

The founder of Methodism, John Wesley was a firm proponent of daily Bible study, rising early each day to spend time in Bible reading and

prayer. He encouraged all of his followers to take up this practice also. This past year, three classes met and followed the course work to complete *Disciple 1*, *Disciple 3*, and *Jesus in the Gospels*.

Those who completed *Disciple 1* - an overall view or introductory course in the Old and New Testaments included: Maryann Johnson, Mary Johnson, Judy Knadle and Karen Roenfeld. After 36 weeks of this course, the group is determined to continue on into *Disciple 2* next year.

The *Disciple 3* class members, who had already completed *Disciple 1 & 2*, included Juanita Dittmer, JoAnn Handel, Bob McBride, Jeneda Mickelson and Judie Packard. This class spent sixteen weeks studying the Prophets of the Old Testament and sixteen weeks studying the letters of Paul in the New Testament. They, too, have decided to continue their study next year with the final study - *Disciple 4*.

A group of persons who had completed all four of the *Disciple Bible Study* classes was asked if they would be interested in continuing their Bible Study and eight were able to continue with the study of *Jesus in the Gospels*. This study focused entirely on Jesus' ministry and teaching as discussed in the four Gospels; Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. The reading was more intense, the discussion more lively and I found this to be one of the best classes in which I have ever been involved. Those who took part in this study included: Mabel Ashline, Darrell and Verna Bottjen, Barbara Brooks, Chet and Cheryl Campbell, Sandy Fitch, Shirley Kennedy, Jackie Stephens and Alan Packard. We have talked about, but made no decision on studying *The Christian Believer* next year.

As you can see, a number of members of our congregation have taken the time to improve their knowledge of the Bible, our history, and our heritage, and in becoming better informed will become more deeply involved in their Christian faith. Everyone's faith journey involves many steps and often the steps take many week, months, years and even decades. Where are you in your faith journey?

Alan Packard, *Disciple* classes facilitator



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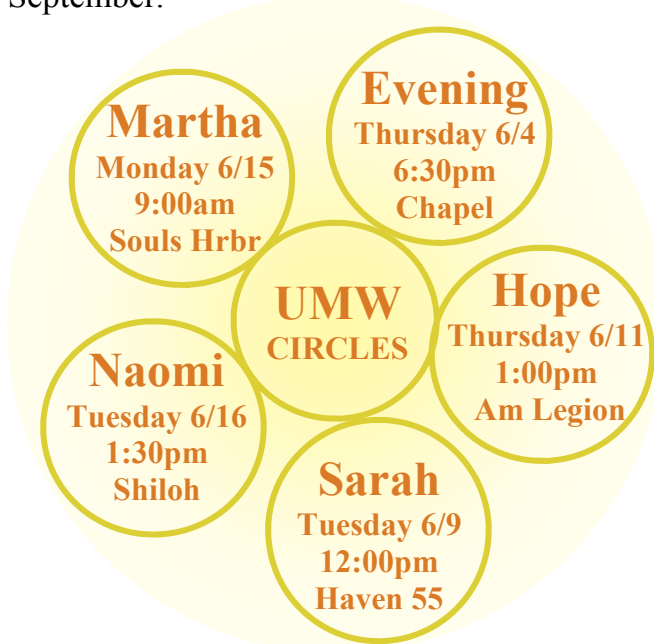
Wednesday, June 10th at 6:30 in Becker Hall we will have our monthly meeting and dinner. The Mayor of Bella Vista, Mr. Peter Christie, will be our speaker.

We invite all men of our church to attend and learn about the state of the city – a great time to visit with the mayor and get answers to questions you have wanted to ask.

The menu will consist of Center Cut Pork Chops with Mashed potatoes, Corn and Salad, catered by Papa Mike's. Reservations must be made no later than Sunday, June 7 through the phone tree or by contacting Jim Belcoff (616-6738)

UMW CIRCLES

The circles will be taking a break during July and August, and will resume meetings in September.



BAZAAR NEWS

Workshops continue with much chatting, fellowship and snacking occurring! We even have lots of projects being completed. But we can always use more help and ideas. There are still some sewing projects available for those who want to work at home. And we can always use small knick knacks or kitchen items for the gift baskets. Come join the fun every Thursday from 9:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. downstairs in the Quilt Room. Any questions, call Verna Bottjen 876-1392.



RUMMAGE SALE



United Methodist Women will sponsor the church's annual Rummage Sale this year on Saturday, August 1st, Please continue to set aside your cast-offs. We welcome all types of items except clothing, televisions and furniture. Our storage is limited, so we ask that you keep things at home until the week of the sale. If you are moving or have other circumstances please call-we'll work with you. Help will be needed to organize and price items part of each day of the week prior to the sale (July 27-31) Watch the bulletin for your opportunity to sign up to help. This is a huge undertaking, so, a donation of your time is always welcomed! Ideas? Questions? Please call Co Ellen Sterwald @ 721-2902.

SHEPHERD GROUP NEWS

YOUNG AT HEART SG will meet for breakfast Saturday, June 6th at 8:30 AM at The Acropolis at 13th and North Walton Blvd. in Bentonville. Please let Judie Packard know if you will be coming at owlsnest5855@sbcglobal.net. or 426-8114

METFIELD METHODIST SG will meet for their annual picnic at the Metfield Pavilion Tuesday, June 9 at 5:45pm. Bring a dish to share.

ABRAM Shepherd Group will meet on Thursday, June 11, at 5pm at Papa Mike's for dinner. Please notify Shirley Hofmann or Judy Duncan by June 8 whether you can come or not.

2 SERVE SG will gather at the home of Frank & Marilyn Kostal for a potluck Wednesday, June 24 at 5:00pm.

SAVE YOUR LABELS

UMW collects the labels and receives cash back to be used for our Mission projects. Deposit in box on Library shelf.



Best Choice





MISSIONS

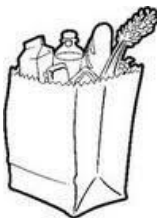
Helping Hands Work Day

Our church's turn for working at the Helping Hands Resale Shop is this month, **Saturday, June 6**. We like to have 4 men (or teens & gals) for the morning shift from 8:00 a.m. till noon to help carry in donations and move furniture. Then at least 4 other guys for the afternoon shift from noon till 4:00 p.m. Then we can use ladies from noon to 4:00 p.m. in the shop for cashiering, bagging and tidying up the sales floor. Come join us in this "hands on" project helping others. You can sign up in the church office. Any questions, call Verna Bottjen 876-1392.



PAK A SAK

Sunday, June 21, our collection of non-perishable and not "out of use by date" will go to the Helping Hands Food Pantry. With school out for summer there is a great need from families with children who usually receive assistance with two meals each day during the school year provided thru the federal food program. The children and their parents are very grateful we care enough to provide for them.



For those who prefer to give a donation to HELPING HANDS in cash/check/Debit card for the pantry, please be aware they are able to purchase "BULK FOOD" at 17 cents per pound. This will stretch your Pak A Sak gift.

Sue Nebrig, PAK A SAK coordinator

Shoebox

As of the due date of items for the newsletter 209 shoe boxes, 176 Sunshine Sacks, a case of toilet paper, a case of paper towels, deodorant, large bottles of toiletries, rain ponchos, tarps, 3l cosmetic bags filled with special items such as make-up and perfume donated to Shoebox but not used in the shoeboxes went to various agencies here in Northwest Arkansas. The special Mother's Day cosmetic bags were delivered to Havenwood and Benton County Women's Shelter.



Sunshine Sacks

A thank-you note from Cooper Elementary School was forwarded to Martha Circle. The "Sunshine Ladies" as we refer to them, packed 83 Sunshine Sacks and one of the members then delivered them to the school each month during the school year. Many of the members are Shoebox volunteers. They will continue again beginning in September! This is a vital part of the ministry and we are so grateful to them.

Cheryl Campbell and Karen Roenfeld purchased hygiene and cleaning items that they delivered to Havenwood, Soul's Harbor and Restoration Village on Tuesday, May 12th. They do this project on a quarterly basis and agencies are thankful for these donations.

Just a reminder that Shoebox will be closed during the month of July. Emergency requests for help and delivery will be honored.

As always in His service,

The Shoebox Team



Sager Brown Trip

For several years now, FUMCBV has been sending teams down to Baldwin, LA to work at the UMCOR Sager Brown Warehouse. This year, on August 29 – Sept 4, we have several people who have chosen to give of their free time to help assemble various kits which are sent to many disaster areas around the world. This trip does involve travel expenses and room & board fees for each individual of several hundred dollars. So, if those of you who are not able to participate for whatever reason, would be interested, we would appreciate any and all financial support you could help provide. Please indicate "Sager Brown" on your checks or credit card donations. Many thanks in advance and we will give a report on our activities when we return. Any questions, call Verna Bottjen 876-1392



Mission of the Month Village House



Village House is a nonprofit adult day program dedicated to enriching the lives of participants and providing affordable respite 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.

Village House was established in 1988 and is licensed by the State of Arkansas Department of Human Services. They are certified to accept Elder Choice/Medicaid Participants.

Your donation to Village House will help provide services for senior members of our community in a safe, loving and happy environment.

Village House began as a volunteer organization and volunteering continues everyday. From direct care workers to musicians to crafters or program presenters Village House needs your help and support.

Harvest Table is coming in July!

We have several faithful gardeners who share the over-abundance of produce from their gardens at the Harvest Table. These home-grown, fresh vegetables and herbs are donated for sale to our congregation. Proceeds from the sales go to support our Missionary partners around the world. Be generous when you purchase items from the Harvest Table!



To Honor your Father on Father's Day ~



If we do not already have one, please bring a picture of you and your father, or you and your own children (separate pictures of each of you, or one with both of you) to the office **no later than Sunday, June 7.** Any photos brought in after this date will not be included in this year's video. We need to know your name, your father's name, and your usual attended service (please put this info on the back of the picture) There will be a streaming display of our members and their fathers on Father's Day to honor those who helped shape us into who we are today. Don't forget - YOU could be the father! Your pictures will be returned to you.



This congregation continues to "BE THE CHURCH" in so many ways! Your support of the Mountain of Food has been nothing short of phenomenal. From the donations made each week (Over \$7,500 at this time - and we have some time to go yet!) to those who have offered their services to pick up the cases of food and build the physical mountain - each donation of money, time, muscle and prayer has made an impact on our community. Thank you, thank you, thank you for Being the Church! -

The Missions Team



THANK YOU

There is no way I can adequately thank the people of your church for all they did to help make the inaugural Mayor's Breakfast a great success. Special thanks go out to the team for planning and developing the breakfast menu and decorations. A special thank you also goes out to your secretarial staff who were so friendly and helpful. Your church was the top seller of tickets. Without your efforts, we never would have had such nice attendance. Thanks, Jaimie, for all you did, and for all you continue to do. It is no wonder the people of your church love you!

Robert Box, Mayor's Prayer Breakfast Chairman

I just wanted to praise God for all those who prayed for me about my knee and thank them for their faithfulness in praying for my healing. I am thankful that God healed it without having to have surgery. I am thankful for all the prayers for myself, Carole and our families over the past year, and for those who have shown concern by asking how I am doing. Everyone is healthy at this time! Praise God for the "great" report! God is Good!

Amy O Fulton & Carole Boyd

I want to thank you for the outpouring of love and support from your entire congregation. Your thoughts and prayers have helped ease my mind and have provided me much comfort during this difficult time. I would also like to give a special thank you to the ladies who made the beautiful prayer shawl. Receiving your special gift was incredibly touching and I will never forget your kindness and generosity.

With much thanks, *Corinne Cuthbertson*



Thank you all for your contributions to our Youth Life Mission Trip! Your support of our youth helps build their faith and dedication to Christ!

Bless you!

Newsletter APRIL 2015 FINANCIAL DATA

		* = Endowment	2015 Budget	Compare 2014
Month to date (as of 4/30/15)	Actual Receipts	*\$54,850	*\$54,317	*\$52,642
Month to date (as of 4/30/15)	Actual Expenses	\$52,785	\$54,317	\$54,428
	Month of APRIL	\$ 2,065		-\$1,786
Year to date	Actual Receipts	*\$241,830	*\$217,268	*\$231,243
Year to date	Actual Expenses	\$210,490	\$217,268	\$213,393
	YTD	\$ 31,340		\$17,850

Operating Account Balance 04/30/15 \$8,058

June 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 9:16 Golf-Highlands 10:00 Staff meeting 10:30 PEO-CD Luncheon 6:00 By the Book AA	2 9:24 Golf-Scotsdale 6:30 Men's Chorus	3 7:30 Men's Emmaus 8:30 Bible Study 9:00 Quilters 9:30 UMW Board Mtng 5:00 Prayer Service 7:00 Youth Life	4 9:00 Bazaar Workshop 9:24 Golf-Berksdale 6:30 Evening Circle Potlck	5 9:00 Soaring Solos	6 8:30 Young at Heart 9:00 Amp Big Book 9:00 HELPING HANDS
7 UNDERWOOD FAREWELL BP✓ between services 7:30 Praise Tm rehrl 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Service	8 9:00 Caregiver Support 9:16 Golf-BVCC 9:30 DAR 10:00 Staff Meeting 12:00 Calico Board 4:00 Guest Follow-up 6:00 By the Book AA	9 11:00 PEO-BR 9:16 Golf-Brittany 0:00 Sarah Circle 1:30 Member Meeting 5:45 MM SG Picnic 6:30 Men's Chorus 6:30 Believers SG	10 7:30 Men's Emmaus 8:30 Bible Study 9:00 Quilters 11:00 Alzheimers Lunch 5:00 Prayer Service 6:30 UMM Dinner 7:00 Youth Life	11 9:00 Bazaar Wrkshp 9:24 Golf-Highlands 1:00 HOPE Circle 5:00 Abram SG	12	13 9:00 Amp Big Book
14 ANNUAL UMW Sunday 7:30 Praise Tm rehrl 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Service	15 CONFERENCE 9:00 Martha Circle 9:16 Golf-Scotsdale 10:00 Staff meeting 6:00 By the Book AA	16 HOT 11:30 Moving Forward 11:32 Golf-Scotsdale 1:00 Naomi Circle 1:00 BV Book Club 6:30 Men's Chorus	17 SPRINGS 7:30 Men's Emmaus 8:30 Bible Study 9:00 Quilters 5:00 Prayer Service 7:00 Youth Life	18 9:00 Bazaar Wrkshp 9:24 Golf-Kingsdale	19	20 9:00 Amp Big Book
21 PAK A SAK FATHER'S DAY 7:30 Praise Tm rehrl 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Service	22 9:00 BLOOD DRIVE 9:00 Caregiver Support 9:16 Golf-Kingswood 10:00 Staff Meeting 11:30 Calico Cut-ups 6:00 By the Book AA	23 11:32 Golf-Highlands 3:00 BV Library Board 6:30 Men's Chorus	24 7:30 Men's Emmaus 8:30 Bible Study 9:00 Quilters 5:00 Prayer Service 5:00 2 Serve SG 5:30 UMW Dinner 7:00 Youth Life	25 9:00 Bazaar Wrkshp 9:24 Golf-Scotsdale	26	27 9:00 Amp Big Book
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To the Home of ...



Bidding the Underwood Family a Fond Farewell Sunday, June 7th

There will be an all-morning-long reception
and card shower in Becker Hall.

Pastor Zach will preach his last FUMCBV sermon.

Please join us as we wish the Underwood Family
the very best on their new journey through life.

Please Mark Your Calendar!

Blood Drive Monday, June 22nd 9:00am ~ 2:00pm Becker Hall

Free Cholesterol Screening

Photo Identification required

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

Don't forget, the life you save may be that of a loved one or even yourself

