



# The Good News

November, 2014

## VETERANS LUNCHEON

To honor those who have served in the military.

November 9, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Becker Hall

**Veterans are our Guests**

\$6 for age 12—adult

Children eat FREE

**Everyone must have a ticket—paid or free**

Tickets are available now in the church office, and in Becker Hall and the Church office on Sunday. Please, order your tickets early.

**Menu:**

**Spaghetti and Meat Sauce  
or**

**Chicken Alfredo**

**Salad, Bread,**

**Home-made Cheesecake**



Please notify the office or Jan Lowe if you can help cook on Friday, November 7 or help Sunday from 10:30am till 2:00 pm.

## *Thanksgiving Dinner*

*Thursday, November 27, 2014*

*Serving line from 11:30 am ~ 1:00 pm*

*Bring your family and friends and let us serve you for this Thanksgiving holiday.*

*Cost: \$11 per person*

*Children under 12, free*

*Reservations can be made in the Church office during the week; in the Church office and Becker Hall on Sundays.*

*Reservations must be made by Sun., Nov. 21.*

*Groups of 8 or more can request reserved seating when tickets are purchased.*

*Menu:*

*Turkey and Dressing*

*Sweet Potato Casserole*

*Mashed Potatoes and Gravy*

*Vegetables*

*Salad, Homemade Rolls*

*Assorted Desserts (Sugar free too!)*

*Coffee and Tea*

Please notify the church office if you can help, and what time, on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday of Thanksgiving week  
or

If you can bring a dessert.



## FAITH WALK

with Brother Jaimie Alexander



**1 Chronicles 16:8** *Oh give thanks to the LORD, call upon His name;  
Make known His deeds among the peoples.*

**1 Chronicles 16:34** *O give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;  
For His loving kindness is everlasting.*

*Give Thanks.* What a powerful statement of dedicated appreciation and thoughtful attention! Giving thanks requires each of us to personally realize that life is not all about us, it is about God and it is about others. I stop through my week and say "Thank you, Lord". I realize how dependent I am on the active presence of God in my daily life. I would like to share some of the things for which I give the Lord thanks.

...Personally, I am thankful for a diverse family who supports me in love, comfortable home that provides for me a place of shelter and peace, health that is very stable and good, for my Christian heritage, for love and salvation through Jesus Christ, and a calling in ministry that is an opportunity for discipleship and growth. ( I could go on and on!)

...I find myself being thankful for feeling overwhelmed at times because of all the responsibilities I have as a pastor and that God is patient to help me to achieve all I must do. I am also thankful for persons who invite me into their lives and for a staff that greatly desires to serve Christ devotedly through the ministry of the church often overworked and underappreciated.

...I am thankful for FUMCBV! I see the congregation seeking to know God in deeper ways and witness us seeking to be open to the changing needs of the congregation. There are always opportunities for growth and new ministries. I am thankful for those who serve in ministry in many different ways and for those who are seeking to discern where they believe God is calling them to serve. I am thankful that we were once a church of retirees that has grown to now be a church of babies, toddlers, children, youth, and adults of all ages!

...I am grateful for the financial tithe commitments that are given to support the work of God through FUMCBV. Through the giving of tithes, offerings, gifts, time, talents, and devotion the ministry of the church is able to touch lives both within and outside the walls of the church. Giving is an act of thanksgiving.

...I am thankful for your participation in the 2015 *Face to Face Stewardship Journey*. Your dedicated tithing and financial support is a testimony of your thankfulness.

...Lastly, I am thankful you have taken the time to read my brief list of giving thanks and I encourage you to take time to make your own personal list of praise and thanksgiving.

God is Faithful!

**Bro. Jaimie**

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

**We Celebrate!**

*Evelynn Georgia Antione*...parents are Dylan & Ashley, sister Emmery

Born October 3, 2014 ~ 7 lbs 12 oz ~ 21<sup>1/2</sup> inches long

*Maely Kate Hickman*...parents are Bryan & Katie, brother Wesley and sister Keiley

Born October 27, 2014 ~ 6 lbs 4 oz ~ 19 inches long



## EPISTLES from Pastor Zach Underwood



*Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus*

1 Thessalonians 5:18

*Give thanks to the Lord and proclaim his greatness. Let the whole world know what he has done*

1 Chronicles 16:8

*Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! His faithful love endures forever*

1 Chronicles 16:34

It is that time of year once again, in which we begin to think about what we are thankful for. Every November we begin to either think about what we are thankful for or we actually begin to share with others. Some people on *Facebook* will even take time to update their status each and every day with something they are thankful for. Like many of you, I have several things to be thankful for; family, friends, faith, children, freedom, and of course, health and happiness. But what about those things in which we have and should completely and totally be thankful for, yet take for granted. For example...

- I am thankful for air-conditioning. I do not like getting hot and it is wonderful to step inside and have it be borderline cold in my house.
- I am thankful for dishwashers. Could you imagine if we were still washing EVERYTHING by hand? We have gone to cloth diapers and I am extremely glad those dirty diapers, once washed off, can be thrown into a machine that takes care of the rest.
- I am thankful for deodorant. It's not ever a pleasant thing when you stand next to someone who stinks. In 9<sup>th</sup> grade my brother and I went on a church trip and ended up getting separated for half the week and my deodorant was in his bag for some reason. I was so afraid everyone could smell me (they probably did, but were nice enough to not say anything). I am very thankful for deodorant.
- I am thankful for indoor toilets. Could you imagine walking out to an outhouse each night at 2am? It is even worse when you think about doing it during the winter and it is freezing outside.
- I am thankful for toilet paper. I like the outdoors and all, but I don't want to have to rely on nature for certain things.
- I am thankful for Sonic Happy Hour. Some days are just better when you can get by at the right time and get a drink for half price.
- I am thankful for Sam's Club free samples. We don't have to feed our kids as much for dinner if we hit up all the samples. We are probably there too much if Eli will pretend that he is handing out samples to his brothers when we are at home.

"If a fellow isn't thankful for what he's got, he isn't likely to be thankful for what he's going to get."

Frank A. Clark

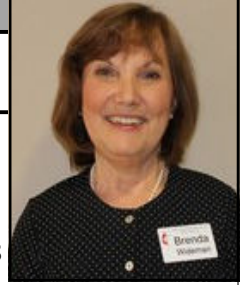
God Bless!

*Pastor Zach*



## Joining in the Journey Together

**"For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven."  
(Ecclesiastes. 3:1)**



As the temperatures begin to drop, pancake and arts and craft times arrive, and the leaves take on the colors of Fall, it is hard not to think of the scripture of Ecclesiastes 3:1. Ecclesiastes is historically thought to be written by King Solomon, the "Wisest Man Who Ever Lived." He seems to be looking back over his life, trying to find godly wisdom in his journey, so that he can pass it on to his readers, to us.

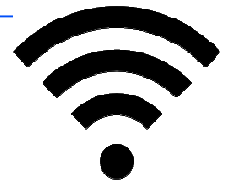
I love the cool, crisp days of Fall, the awesomely blue sky, the truly white, wind-swept clouds, and the rainbow of the colors of the leaves. It's a great time to be outside, to take a walk, to breathe in the fresh air, and to be amazed at the beauty all around me. It's football time, and big, puffy chrysanthemum time, and pumpkin time, and harvest time, and a time to give thanks for our blessings. Lots of wonderful things happen in the Fall. And yet, I also feel a tinge of sadness because the days are getting shorter and I know the barrenness of winter is not far off. What wisdom can I gain from Ecclesiastes? "Vanity of vanities," (Eccl 1:2a) The Hebrew word for "vanity" is *hevel*, meaning "breath." Knowing the meaning behind this, as King Solomon meant it, is important for me. Vanity has a totally different meaning today. In Hebrew it means "breath". God's gift of Breath is the gift of Life. The wise message from King Solomon is not to be sad about the passing season or to worry about what lies ahead, but to take joy in the present, breathe the fresh air, live in the moment. Give thanks; it is all a gift from God.

There is a children's book called *The Fall of Freddie the Leaf* by Leo Buscaglia. It is "a story of life for all ages." Freddie, the young, inquiring leaf, is trying to understand what is happening in the Fall. The wise leaf, Daniel, tells Freddie that Fall is a **wonderful** season when all the leaves take on their own special colors. Freddie is worried about what comes after Fall, some of the leaves are dropping. So he goes to Daniel, who tells him "It's time for the leaves to change their home, but that change is a part of Life. Life is about the sun and the moon; about happy times together; about the shade we make in Summer, and about the old people and children who rest in our shade. It's about the colors in Fall. It's about the seasons. Life is bigger than us; Life lasts forever and we are a part of it." So breathe the air of Fall, eat pancakes, go to craft fairs, play golf, watch a football game with your family, carve a pumpkin, sit on the patio, marvel at the Fall colors, spend time with a friend, buy candy, laugh at Trunk or Treat, count the stars. For everything there is a season. It's about Life. It's about God's gift of the journey and the walk with our Lord along the way. Join in; we each have a part in it.

Blessings, *Brenda Wideman*, Ministerial Intern

### Wireless Internet Access in the Church

Wireless internet access (wifi) is available throughout many areas in the church. Any wireless connection containing the phrase "**FUMC-Guest**" can be accessed using the password "**lovelearnlead**" (all lower-case, no spaces, no quotation marks)





## YOUTH LIFE



Can you believe that the school year is a quarter of the way done? The youth of FUMCBV are working hard at school and all their extra-curricular activities. I ask that you continue to pray for all our youth as they grow into fine young men and women and grow in their faith.

We will be starting a new book study by Adam Hamilton for Advent. Amy O. Fulton and Sandy Fitch will be leading this study – “Not a Silent Night; Mary Looks Back to Bethlehem” - on Sunday evenings beginning November 9. Snacks will be provided (if you feed them they will come!)

The last week of November, the youth will take a trip to Silver Dollar City to enjoy the Christmas environment. Chaperones and snacks are needed for this trip.

As always – sign up for Wednesday night meals for the youth in the church office or on-line (see below). If you have any questions about this, please call Terra Gagner at 479-426-1006

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

SAVE THE DATE!  
FEED THE FUNNEL PARTY  
SATURDAY—JANUARY 24



Feeding the hungry in  
Northwest Arkansas

Please return your EMIM  
Commitment form and Pledge card  
on Sunday, November 2. If you  
are not able to come to Church  
that day, there are boxes in the  
office for you to drop them off.

## Youth Meals Needed on Wednesday

- Sign up at: [TakeThemAMeal.com](http://www.takethameal.com)
- Enter First Name: **FUMC**
- Enter Last Name: **Bella Vista**
- Enter Password: **Love\_Youth**
- Or go to this link:  
<http://www.takethameal.com/meals.php?t=ROUG5792>
- If you have any questions on how to sign up feel free to call Terra Gagner @ 479-426-1006.



## OUR FAMILY



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

information to Jan Lowe, Congregational Care Minister at [jan@lovelearnlead.com](mailto:jan@lovelearnlead.com), or 531-0381 or at the church, 855-1158.

### NEW MEMBERS

**Ted and Linda Ivy** joined our church on October 26, at the 9:30



(Contemporary) service. They are transferring from FUMC, Russellville, AR, where they had been members for about 27 years.

Ted, a U of A grad, worked for a utility company until his retirement, in January 2015 (officially). Linda, grad of Ark Tech, also worked for a utility

company until her retirement in 2007.

They moved to Bella Vista in May, feeling it had more to offer than Russellville.

They both enjoy golf and the arts; Linda loves to walk the dog on Bella Vista trails. Ted also loves snow-skiing. Travel that includes cruising is a passion. They love jazz, the Razorbacks, and reading. They both helped to establish Habitat for Humanity for Pope County—Linda served on the Board, and Ted a member of the Construction Committee. He continues to be involved in Habitat for Humanity. Linda volunteers with the Rogers Adult Center.

When you meet the Ivy's and welcome them to our family, remember to say an extra prayer for Linda, who is being treated with chemo for bone cancer.

### DEATHS

**Pat Mayer** passed away on October 19, just one week after she moved to Dallas to be close to family. A memorial service will take place here on Nov 15, at 11am. Bro. Jaimie Alexander will officiate.



**Bonnie Watson** passed away Oct. 7. Bro. Jaimie Alexander officiated at the funeral held on Oct 25, in Webster, IA. The family requested that memorials be sent to FUMC, BV in Bonnie's name.

**Arlene Beeks** passed away Oct 23. A memorial service was held to honor her on Monday, Oct 27, at the Price Funeral Home in Maryville, MO. She will be buried beside her husband, John, (who died in Bella Vista in 1995), at the Eagleville, MO cemetery.



### ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

It is hard to believe that Christmas is coming—sooner than we think! The Sunday after Thanksgiving is the First Sunday of Advent. And that is when we will have the first of four devotionals for each day leading up to Christmas.

We would love to include those who have not provided devotionals in the past. Don't wait to be contacted by Jan Lowe—notify Jan if you are willing to write one devotional a week for four weeks during this Holiday Season.

Often, people will say, "I can't write.", or "I wouldn't know what to say." It might not always be easy, but the main thing is to write from your heart. You will be given scripture verses to ponder and then just write what comes to your mind. You will also be provided sample devotionals from last year.



## OUR FAMILY

### EVERY MEMBER IN MINISTRY EMIM

In October, EMIM catalogs were distributed, informational meetings were held, and now Commitment forms are beginning to trickle in. Hopefully, all of the Commitment Forms will be returned by Nov 2, which officially ends this year's emphasis on stewardship in all areas of our church life.

We are already recording Commitment Form information into Power Church, the software that stores the church's records. That information will be used to develop lists for all the ministry team leaders, who will be in touch with you for any of the ministries you signed up for.

Today, I was asked the question: "**Is Every Member in Ministry only for church Members?**" No. You do not have to be a "member" of this church to participate in our EMIM program. It has always been for anyone who attends and feels a part of this church. It never occurred to me that the title itself would suggest otherwise.

In early November we will develop the January - June schedules for those who have signed up for Sunday ministries. Our goal is to have the Sunday schedules to participants by December 1.

For questions or concerns, please contact Jan Lowe at 531-0381 or at the church 855-1158.

### SOARING SOLOS

**October** was a quiet month for Soaring Solos—but that's the only place that was quiet in October. I hope all of you had an opportunity to use the spare time to help with the Bazaar, the Pancake Breakfast, and EMIM and the Stewardship events.

**November**— on Saturday, Nov. 8 we will meet for breakfast at Papa Mike's at 9am.

In the week before Thanksgiving, we'll have a No-Meat Potluck on Friday, Nov 21, at 5:30 in the

Chapel. Make your favorite veggie casserole, salad, or snack and bring to share.

Now that it is getting dark earlier, don't choose not to come to an evening event—just call one of the Solos for a ride, or ask Jan Lowe to arrange a ride for you.

**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](mailto:jan@lovelearnlead.com), or call Jan at 531-0381. Church members are encouraged to invite others to join in our activities. You don't have to be a member of our church to participate in outings, just single.

### SANCTIFIED CLASSIFIEDS

**Sunday Bus Drivers**—to cover for regular drivers during vacations, and as needed. Please see Bob Kennedy for more information.

**Usher Team Leader** for 10:45am Service. This person serves as the contact person between the office and the ushers and captains. They will arrange ushers for every other funeral, with the first service Team Leader handling the others. Will communicate special services requests to the usher captains, and fill in when usher or sub is unavailable. Contact Verna Bottjen.

**Indoor Plant Waterer** — take over established route. Choose Tues and/or Friday to go through the building watering the plants. It will take about fifteen minutes from start to finish. Contact Janet Walton.

**Maintain the Marquee**—at the bottom of the hill. Rotate with another person to update Service information for the upcoming Sunday—usually on Tuesdays. Less than an hour's work, every other week. This is an outdoor activity. Contact Jan Lowe.



## OUR FAMILY

### NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Jack & Nona Storck
- 6 Dennis & Marilyn Cox
- 6 J.D. & Syble Highfill
- 13 Albert & Patsy Attaway-Fisher
- 14 Wayne & Ara Mae Calhoun (78)
- 16 Harvey & Georgiana Green
- 18 Robert & Juanita Clark
- 18 Mike & Kelly Liddekee
- 19 Bergie & Rosemary Dyson
- 22 Marc & Janelle Engle
- 22 Reid & Joyce Horle
- 22 Stan & Mary Tague
- 24 Marcus & Kimberly Dale
- 24 Alan & Judith Packard
- 25 Ken & Jean Swanson
- 26 Brian & Ashley DeGraf
- 28 Troy & Brenda Jorgensen
- 29 Duane & Marilyn Hertel

### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Maryann Johnson
- 2 Jim Johns
- 4 Iona Baxter
- 4 Bobbie Dees
- 4 Charles Hill
- 4 Judie Packard

### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS (CONT'D)

- 5 Darrell Bottjen
- 5 Kelly Liddekee
- 6 Vicki Forrest
- 6 Ethel Twombly (103)
- 8 Paul Healy
- 9 Ashley DeGraf
- 9 Bud Henke
- 10 Shirley Wenger
- 11 Rusty Prestridge
- 13 LeRoy Handel
- 13 Donna Belle Shumaker
- 13 Nancy Veach
- 18 Elizabeth Sterner
- 19 Bradley DeGraf (4)
- 21 Jeanette Van Allen
- 22 Carrie Roath
- 22 Dick Schupp
- 24 Samantha Fitchue
- 24 Charlotte Manuel
- 25 Catherine Luck
- 26 Rene Bladon
- 26 Sharon Lindsey
- 27 Verna Bottjen
- 28 Lee Moore
- 30 Charlie Crider (7)





## UWM and UMM

### Bazaar Wrap Up

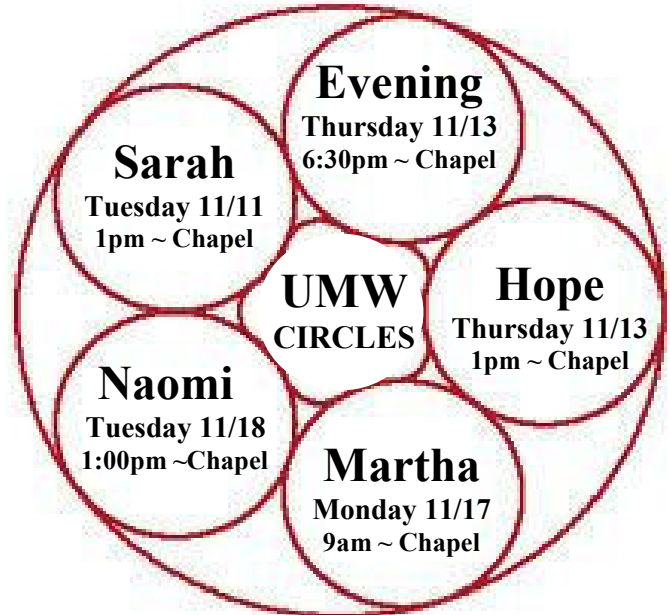
If you weren't there, you missed another great Bazaar experience! The weather was beautiful, the atmosphere bright and cheerful, and the results very satisfying. All the tired feet and muscles were worth it once again as we ended up making just over \$10 K for charities, which is just a bit more than we did last year! And of course, we couldn't have done it without the help from many, many of you. Each year we have a devoted group of people working at Thursday morning workshops and at home to make all the products we are able to sell. We were very encouraged to have a few guys chipping in with woodworking projects, also, this year. From dignified discards to plants and baked goodies, it all made for a festive event. And what would we do without those cinnamon & orange rolls to get us started!? A big THANK YOU to EVERYONE who helped before, during and after. I can't begin to mention all the people who helped, so just know that each and every one of you is greatly appreciated!

Take it easy now for several months, but be ready to join in again next year; there are so many people who benefit from our efforts.

*Verna Bottjen*, chair

### UNITED METHODIST MEN ~ UMM

To all men of the church – the November meeting of United Methodist Men will take place in Becker Hall on Wednesday the 12th at 6:30pm. The meal will be Salisbury Steak, mashed potatoes, sweet green beans and salad from Papa Mike's and the program will be our Annual Business Meeting. We will be electing the officers for 2015 and discussing the future of our Pancake Days.



The UMW Christmas Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, December 3 at 11:45 a.m. in Becker Hall, beginning with quiet time. Our entertainment will be **Brother Jaimie, sharing pictures, slides, and telling of his mission trip to Uganda.** Hot turkey salad, roll, green salad, and dessert will be served. Cost for lunch is \$7.00, with the deadline for making reservations Sunday, November 30. Anyone wishing to attend should sign up thru their circle or call Sue Nebrig at 855-9269. **Everyone** in our church and **guests** are welcome to come and hear about Brother Jaimie's wonderful mission trip. What a great way to begin our Christmas Season at Church!





## MISSIONS

### Helping Hands, Inc.

#### Helping Hands Work Day Coming Up

It's our turn once again to work at Helping Hands Thrift Shop this month. It will be on Saturday, November 15. As usual, we can use guys or anyone willing to lift and tote in the morning 8:00 a.m. to noon. And then same for noon to 4:00 p.m. in addition to some folks to operate the cash register, bag purchases and tidy up the sales floor. There will be a sign up sheet in the office. This is a great hands-on activity that benefits the public. Note also, that we have received a special request from Helping Hands for volunteers during the week. Their volunteer base is declining due to aging out, and they are in need of replacements. Please consider giving whatever time you can spare to this organization. Any questions, ask Verna Bottjen 876-1392

#### PAK-A-SAK

OASIS FOOD BANK IN BELLA VISTA will be the recipient of our collection of non-perishable food items on November 16. The food bank helps many families here in our hometown who are unable to make ends. At this time of the year let us share our "THANKSGIVING BLESSING" with those in our community who are struggling to make their food budget last until the next paycheck. All types of food items are needed



#### SAGER BROWN TRIP

Mark your calendar for August 28 thru September 4, 2015. This will be the time for our next mission trip to the UMCOR Sager Brown Depot in Baldwin, LA. The cost of this trip is \$250 and does not include the cost of one night motel stay on the way down. If you are interested in one of the 12 spots available, contact Jim Prather.



#### SHOEBOX MINISTRY

As we usually do in the November newsletter, we explain a little about the ministry.



We deliver travel-size toiletries and other items needed when we have them to 13 shelters, two elementary schools (Cooper-toiletry Sunshine Sacks monthly, Glen Duffy in Gravette yearly hygiene week) the troops overseas, and people who have experienced disaster such as fire or tornado in North West Arkansas.

We use volunteers like you to do our projects. We apologize to those who have not been called, but the "New Shoebox" is now going to have monthly get-togethers consisting of 5-7 volunteers to put together different orders and projects to give to those in need. *We need you!*

The next very important volunteers we need are those who can deliver. Those signing up will have the opportunity to pick a shelter to deliver to when the shelter has an order. The orders vary in size and anyone can handle the job.

Please consider becoming a volunteer and we promise to use you. Where can you find a "job" that you can work as you want, there is no dress code, the workers are friends and fellow Christians, smoke free work area, pay will not change your tax bracket (there is none), but you will receive a warm fuzzy for helping someone in need? Laughter and good companionship is guaranteed!

As always in His service,

*The Shoebox Ministry Team Leaders*



Volunteers are always needed at Cooper School. If you are interested in signing up to help please contact

Maryann Johnson at 721-9987

or sign up in the office - Bronco Buddies.



## MISSION of the MONTH INGATHERING

The Saturday before Thanksgiving has become an annual day of service for United Methodists of Arkansas. On November 22, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., persons from across the Conference will come together to celebrate the 37th annual Ingathering.

### What is Ingathering?

Ingathering is a supply drive to benefit United Methodist relief ministries in Arkansas and worldwide. Held at Arkansas Rice Depot, 3801 W. 65th Street in Little Rock, and sponsored by the Conference Board of Global Ministries, this year's Ingathering will include a devotional time, a mid-day fellowship meal and lots of work organizing donations for storage and transport. United Methodists will deliver, sort and pack relief supplies to help to those affected by disaster, both here at home and around the globe.

Chet Campbell and Darrell Bottjen have volunteered to collect supplies from all over the Northwest District (from Harrison to Russellville) and deliver them to the Arkansas Rice Depot. Everything from flood buckets to birthing kits to school kits will be gathered.

Funds collected through our congregation will go towards helping relief efforts here in Arkansas and around the world.

*The Angel Tree* is now set up in the hallway outside Becker Hall. There are 45 children from which to choose. We sincerely thank you for your past loving participation. The card you select will contain the child's wish list and detailed instructions for your use. We emphasize that you must sign your name by the appropriate number for each card you take. If you have any questions, please call Mona Johnson at 855-1322.



## YOU ARE INVITED TO LUNCH

SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup> AT 12 NOON

A free special Mission Luncheon in honor of Ashley Mersereau will be served on Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup> following the last Service. Ashley, the granddaughter of Karen and Dick Bacon, serves as a Campus-Crusade missionary in Beirut, Lebanon. Following lunch, Ashley will share her courageous story as a missionary of hope in a land surrounded by war, poverty and fear.

In this age of unrest and uncertainty, you are invited, in the safety of your chair, to travel to a land that is daily filled with the possibility of death, injury and destruction of home, family and faith. Hear the first hand story of a group of young Christians, called by God to share their faith in the midst of the daily threats and upheaval in the Biblical land called Lebanon.

You are requested to make a reservation for this special luncheon, as the seating will be limited, by calling the Church Office or emailing luncheon host, Rev. Albert Fisher at [aefisher2@gmail.com](mailto:aefisher2@gmail.com)

### LUNCHEON MENU

*Sweet & Sour Meatloaf / Mashed Potatoes  
Garden Green Beans / Cheesecake  
Ice Tea & Coffee*



## Church Council Meeting

**IMPORTANT CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10 at 6:30 in the Chapel.** All members of the church are welcome to join together as we vote on important issues for next year. This meeting will be short, but will prepare us for the Charge Conference meeting to be held Sunday, November 23 at 4:00pm in the Chapel.



## MEET OUR NEWEST STAFF MEMBER



**Alan Yount** is the Coordinator of Sound and Visual Arts. He comes to FUMCBV from Central UMC Rogers where he and his wife Lois have been for seven years. He retired from the U.S. Army at Fort Polk, and living in nearby DeRidder, Louisiana, they raised a son and a daughter who both graduated from LSU (geaux

Tigers!). Daughter Rebecca and her family (husband is a blood-red Razorback) also live in Bentonville, while their son, Richard and his family live in San Antonio. Alan is in his second year as President of Bella Vista Men's Chorus, and enjoys cruising Beaver Lake in his restored 1954 Century Viking 19' mahogany inboard boat.

His goal is to build on and raise the contributions of Troy and the Media Ministry Team to a new level. His background is the effective use of and training on personal computers. As the Team recruit, qualify, and use additional lighting, sound, visual arts, and video technicians, they should be able to make the seeing and hearing experience the best possible for our members and visitors.

### **METFIELD METHODIST SHEPHERD GROUP** ~

Annual Game Night! Tuesday, November 4 at 6:00pm in the Chapel. They will have ham sandwiches. The ham, bread & drinks will be furnished. Please bring the fixings or what you like with ham sandwiches. Please let Vicki Forrest know if you plan on coming and what you plan to bring. Also, plan on bringing an extra few dollars to contribute to their Angel Tree fund for the child whose card they picked.

### **2SERVE SHEPHERD GROUP** ~

will have a two-phase gathering on Sunday, November 2nd. They will meet either at Gusano's or La Fajitas at 4:00pm. Please let the Andersons know of your preference and if you will be joining everyone.

The 2nd phase will be to attend the Wesley Series concert "*Sounds of Hope*" in Becker Hall at 6:00pm after meeting for dinner. The "*Sounds of Hope*" is a contemporary singing group from Ft. Smith who is well known in Arkansas and southern states. They hope to see you at both events, but you have the option of attending either one or both with the group.



The General Council on Finance and Administration of the United Methodist Church is pleased to present UMCmarket, a tremendously rewarding opportunity to earn money for our church. UMCmarket makes it possible for our church to receive donations from retailers every time you make an online purchase. The best thing is that you don't need to change anything from how you shop today, and every small donation makes a difference. This allows our church family to do together what we cannot do alone.

#### **How it Works.**

Every store at UMCmarket is happy to pay a percentage of the purchased amount as a donation. There is no additional cost or charge for either you or our church. The stores send UMCmarket the contributions within a variable time frame of 30 - 90 days. Once our church reaches \$100 in total donations, a check will be mailed.

#### **Signing Up is Free!**

You can easily sign up for free. When you go to UMCmarket, you will click on the "Get Started" button. You will have the option to sign up with your Facebook account or enter your email and create a password. You will then be prompted to download the Easy Give Button and find our church. With these three simple steps, you are ready to shop and donate!

#### **Together Making a Difference!**

We hope you will sign up and try it out. The more our members participate, the more donations we receive and can put towards our church mission!

We live in a global village, and the world is our parish. When we give generously, our gifts do wonderful, life - changing things in the name of Jesus Christ.

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## BOOK NOOK



### Large-Print Fiction:

*1105 Yakima Street* By Debbie Macomber  
A Cedar Cove Novel

*Love Letters* By Debbie Macomber

A Rose Harbor Novel In The Cedar Cove Series

### Books In Series:

*The Last Bride* By Beverly Lewis

Book 5 In Home To Hickory Hollow

*Rumspinga's Hope* By Beth Shriver

Book 1 In The Spirit Of The Amish

*First Impressions* By Sarah Price

Book 1 In The Amish Classics

### Fiction:

*The Dressmaker* By Kate Alcott

A Vivid, Romantic And Compelling Historical Novel about a Spirited Young Woman Who Survives The Sinking Of The Titanic.

*Black Wind* By Clive Cussler

Filled With Suspense And Imagination As Only Clive Cussler can do.

*Child Of Mine* By David And Beverly Lewis

Can This Be, At Long Last, Kelly's Beloved Daughter?

*Jackdaws* By Ken Follett

A Breathtaking Novel Of Suspense Set In The Most Dangerous Days Of World War II.

### Non-Fiction:

*On My Own* By Florence Falk

The Art Of Being A Woman Alone.

## WESLEY SERIES CONCERTS



### *Sounds of Hope Praise Team* Sunday ~ November 2, 2014 ~ 6:00 pm

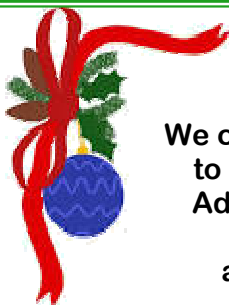
This Christian worship team based in Fort Smith, Arkansas, offers Sunday evening concerts to churches in western Arkansas, eastern Oklahoma and southwestern Missouri. They deliver a variety of musical styles ranging from gospel to traditional and adult contemporary mixed with an occasional R&B sound and a selection of hymns. They are a small live band with several vocalists and have met with rave review wherever they go.

### Project Piano!

Sunday, November 16, 2014 at 3 p.m.



Join us for an exciting piano recital given by several students from the piano studio of Professor Jura Margulis at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville. In the spring of 2014, several students decided to share their talents with the community by performing a series of concerts in Fayetteville as well as at our church in Bella Vista. They call it the Piano Performance Program Concert Series Association; we call it Project Piano!



Come help "Deck the Halls"  
Monday, December 1st  
9:00am ~ til . . .

We can use all the help we can get to decorate the Church for the Advent Season with trees, and wreaths and garlands, and much, much more!



## THANK YOU

Dear FUMC family, Thank you all so much for making my wedding so very special. The "church ladies" and my new son and daughter made it an evening to remember and I was so pleased Brother Jaimie was able to perform the ceremony before his Africa trip. I had my total knee replacement on Sept. 30, and got my 19 staples out yesterday. Greg, my new hubby says I am walking straighter now. I really appreciate all your prayers, calls, visits and gifts. I am truly blessed, God is so very good. *Peggy (DeWitt) Stout*

**SPECIAL THANK YOU!!**

Without the help, consideration and tremendous hard work of so many people (men & women) the two UMM Pancake Breakfasts would not have been possible. While the actual number of meals served was a bit down from previous years, the UMM still raised over \$8,500 in 2014 from the Pancake Breakfasts. The success we have enjoyed has helped the UMM provide over \$13,000 in support to area charities again this year. I am sure that everyone had a good time and took the opportunity to fellowship with other members of God's community. I sincerely thank everyone for helping make both the Spring and Fall events successful.

*Darrell Bottjen*, UMM Treasurer

The BAZAAR is over. We are extremely pleased with the results and all I have to say is, "THANK YOU!" As in past years, I have mentioned that there are just too many people who contribute to this activity to mention individually. From the time we start workshops in march to the date of the sale on the first week-end of October, it is impossible to guess the number of people and hours of work that go into this event. But the effort is so worth it since we can now give thousands of dollars to local charities. So, if you were unable to participate this year, we'll be doing it all again next year; perhaps you can join us in helping others in this way. A final "THANK YOU" to everyone! *Verna Bottjen*, Bazaar Chair

It is way past time for me to express my gratitude to this Church family for all of the prayers, visits, cards and many other kindnesses offered during the time of Vern's illness and passing. Then again when I underwent knee replacement surgery in September. The visits from Brother Jamie, Pastor Zack, Jan, and Brenda all meant more than I can express. To everyone, I say Thank You from me and my family. In God's Love, *Rene Bladon*

Thank you for your prayers, card, calls, and visits during Dale's recent heart problems and procedures. Words cannot express how much it meant to both of us. *Dale & Nancy Veach*

SEPTEMBER 2014 FINANCIAL DATA					2014	
		*	-Endowment		Budget	Compare 2013
Month to date (as of 9/30/14)	Actual Receipts	*	\$44,805	*	\$52,924	*\$49,043
Month to date (as of 9/30/14)	Actual Expenses		\$55,011		\$52,924	\$51,678
	Month of SEP		-\$10,206			-\$2,635
<b>Year to date</b>	Actual Receipts	*	\$474,633	*	\$476,316	*\$421,927
<b>Year to date</b>	Actual Expenses		\$484,438		\$476,316	\$422,398
	YTD		-\$9,805			-\$471.00

Operating Account Balance 9/30/14 **-\$38,829**

# November 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>2</b> BP✓ between services 7:30 Praise Tm rehrsl 8:00 Traditional Srvice 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Srvice 6:00 Sounds of Hope	<b>3</b> 10:00 Staff Meeting 11:30 PEO-CD 11:45 Women's Chorus 6:00 By the Book 7:30 Big Band Practice	<b>4</b> 7:00 ELECTION HERE 10:00 Prayer Shawl 4:00 Fisher Bible Study 6:00 Metfld Methodists	<b>5</b> 7:30 Men's Emmaus 8:30 Bible Study 9:00 Quilters 9:30 Disciple III 9:30 UMW Board Mtng 3:40 Chancel Bells 5:30 Prayer Service 5:30 Avalon SG 6:30 Choir Practice 7:00 Youth Life	<b>6</b> 8:00 Men's Chorus 11:00 Golf-Kingsdale 1:00 Hope Circle 4:50 Sanctuary Bells 6:30 Evening Circle	<b>7</b> 9:00 Gospels Bible Study	<b>1</b> 8:30 Yng at Heart 9:00 Amp Big Book  <b>8</b> 9:00 Amp Big Book 4:00 Faith & Family
<b>9</b> 7:30 Praise Tm rehrsl 8:00 Traditional Srvice 9:30 "The Well" Srvice 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Srvice 11:00 Veteran's Lunch	<b>10</b> 9:00 Caregivers Supprt 9:30 DAR 10:00 Staff Meeting 11:45 Women's Chorus 12:00 Calico Cut-ups Brd 4:00 Guest Followup 5:30 Church Council 6:00 By the Book 6:00 Finance Comm	<b>11</b> 9:00 PEO-BR 10:00 Prayer Shawl 1:00 Sarah Circle 1:30 Member Meeting 4:00 Fisher Bible Study 5:30 Agape SG	<b>12</b> 7:30 Men's Emmaus 8:30 Bible Study 9:00 Quilters 9:00 Disciple III 9:30 Mission Meeting 3:40 Chancel Bells 5:30 Prayer Service 6:30 Choir Practice 6:30 UMM Dinner 7:00 Youth Life	<b>13</b> 8:00 Men's Chorus 11:00 Golf-Berksdale 1:00 Hope Circle 4:50 Sanctuary Bells 6:30 Evening Circle	<b>14</b> 9:00 Gospels Bible Study 10:00 Abram SG 11:30 Preschl Brd Mtng	<b>15</b> <b>HELPING HANDS</b> 9:00 Amp Big Book 11:00 Mayer Service
<b>16</b> <b>PAK A SAK</b> 7:05 Handbell Practice 7:30 Praise Tm rehrsl 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Service 12:00 Missionary Lunch 3:00 Wesley Series	<b>17</b> 9:00 Martha Circle 10:00 Staff Meeting 11:00 Lifeline Lunch 11:45 Women's Chorus 6:00 By the Book	<b>18</b> 10:00 Prayer Shawl 11:30 Moving Forward 1:00 Naomi Circle 3:00 BV Book Club 4:00 Fisher Bible Study 5:30 EMIM Lite Supper	<b>19</b> 7:30 Men's Emmaus 8:30 Bible Study 9:00 Quilters 9:00 Disciple III 3:40 Chancel Bells 5:30 Prayer Service 6:30 Choir Practice 7:00 Youth Life	<b>20</b> 8:00 Men's Chorus 11:00 Golf-Scotsdale 4:50 Sanctuary Bells	<b>21</b> 9:00 Gospels Study 5:30 Soaring Solos	<b>22</b> 9:00 Amp Big Book
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<b>30</b> 7:30 Praise Tm rehrsl 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Srvice 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Srvice	<b>1</b> PLEASE COME HELP DECORATE THE CHURCH TODAY					

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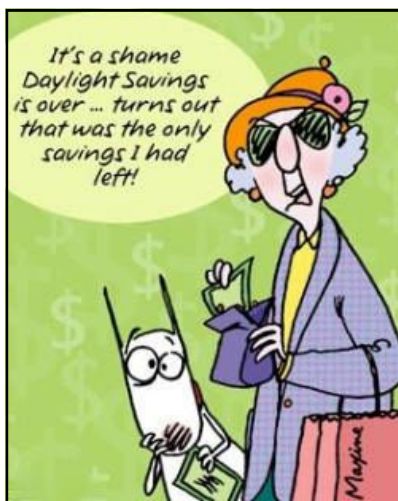
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***To the Home of ...***

Daylight Savings Time ENDS  
Sunday, November 2  
at 2:00am

On Saturday night,  
November 1,  
set your clock back one hour.  
**Change your batteries.**



**Faith & Family Night!**  
**Celebrating Special Needs**

**Saturday, November 8, 4:00-7:00 p.m.**

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- ✧ Music and worship, featuring testimony of Michal Bolin!
- ✧ Potluck! (all ingredients must be labeled)
- ✧ Open to the community!

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