



The Good News

October, 2011

UNITED
METHODIST MEN

PANCAKE DAY!

Saturday
October 15
7:00 a.m. to
1:00 p.m.

Pancakes
Sausage/Ham
Coffee/Milk
\$5.00



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FAITH WALK

WITH
BRO. JAIMIE J. ALEXANDER



Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity & Generosity

Stress. Anxiety. Fear. Hard Decisions. These words capture well the state of mind of many of us in America today. We have witnessed dramatic market losses, the collapse of the world's largest insurance company, and many bankruptcies and mergers. Every day seems to bring another piece of economic uncertainty.

A recent survey found that over three in four Americans are stressed about the economy and their personal finances. Half are worried about providing for their family's basic needs. Over half of respondents reported feeling angry and irritable, and reported lying awake at night worried about this. The report concludes that, "The declining state of the nation's economy is taking a physical and emotional toll on people nationwide."

Our nation is experiencing what many have described as the "American Nightmare." Increasing consumer debt, declines in savings, lower income growth, and a volatile stock market are all a part of our economic insecurity. We have lived in a society that tells us "you deserve it now," whether or not we can afford it or really even need it.

All of us have struggled with these issues at one time or another. They are important issues that we cannot ignore. This is why, over the next five weeks, we will be having a stewardship emphasis called *Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity*. During this time, we will explore what the Bible teaches us about financial management through corporate worship. Each week we will provide you with some practical tools you can use to assess your financial situation and develop a financial plan with a biblical foundation.

At the conclusion of the emphasis, we will have the opportunity to make personal commitments of our offerings to God through our church in the coming year. We will consecrate these commitments in all three worship services on Sunday, October 30. (Please see the schedule below)

I hope you will join us in the coming weeks as we look at how we can manage our financial resources and truly experience simplicity, generosity, and joy.

God is Faithful!

Bro. Jaimie

- Oct. 2 ~ American Dream or American Nightmare?
- Oct. 9 ~ Simplifying Your Lifestyle
- Oct. 16 ~ Every Member in Ministry
- Oct. 23 ~ Can I be Content?
- Oct. 30 ~ Defined by my Generosity (Consecration Sunday)
- Nov. 13 ~ Celebration Sunday / Veterans Sunday –
Results of 2012's ministry commitment



OFF and RUNNING

with
Pastor Lee Myane



October is shaping up to be a very busy month at Church. To finish September and get a head start on October, Brother Jaimie, Jan Lowe, and I are headed to Kansas City for a leadership conference at United Methodist Church of the Resurrection (COR). COR is a United Methodist mega-church led by Pastor Adam Hamilton. You may recognize the name. Adam Hamilton has become very well known as a pastor and author. He has written a number of books and small group studies. Each Wednesday in October at 6:30 I'll be leading one of his small group studies entitled *Why? Making Sense of God's Will*.

To finish October and lead into November we will begin Wednesday classes entitled "The Way". Our "Way" classes will include introductory discussions of our United Methodist history and doctrine. We will also cover our local church history and what it means to be a member at First United Methodist Church Bella Vista. We will wrap up October on Halloween, Monday the 31st, with our annual "Trunk or Treat" festivities.

Make sure you watch in the bulletin and look for posters and sign up sheets around the church and in the church office for many different activities. You don't want to miss all that is going on in October. We will need plenty of volunteers for Trunk or Treat. We also need candy donations. Look for our Trunk or Treat table in the Narthex.

With all the activities of Fall rapidly approaching, don't forget we are the church. All the activities, classes, prayer services and the many missions we serve are all because we are the church. We believe in a Christ who is the Messiah, savior of this world. Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

May God Bless Us in All We Do!
Pastor Lee

CHILDREN

In the next month we, as a church, will be preparing for our stewardship campaign. For the adult members of the church, it means you can use your God given gifts to help out in areas that you are called to. But what does it mean for our children? During the month of October, we will be talking about just that. We are going to take about five minutes each week to talk about how Prayers, Presents, Gifts, Service and Witness, are important to the church, but also, how we can be a part of it.

Prayers - Praying for each other, the church, the community and beyond

Presence - Being at church and Sunday school

Gifts- Bringing a small tithe, a canned good for Pac-A-Sak, or even a toy to take to Helping Hands

Service - As simple as sending a letter to a home bound member or a missionary, or even helping with Pac-A-Sack

Witness - Bringing a friend to Church

As adults we know what we can do to help and how we can accomplish things. Jesus said in Mark 10:14 "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." I hope that during this stewardship campaign, you and I can teach our children how they can help and get them excited about serving our amazing Lord who gives us our gifts.

The F.N.C. (5th and 6th grade club) deserves a BIG congratulations. At the Community Wide Rummage Sale our F.N.C. sold hot dogs, chips and drinks to raise funds for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Eve Kent, the representative for Make-A-Wish will be coming to NWA so that we can present her and Make-A-Wish with the check. Our 5th and 6th graders would love to have you attend this amazing photo opportunity. Please watch the bulletin for the date and time. Thank you to all of you who made this possible for our children to be a part of something so wonderful.

Carrie Drish,
Director of Children's Ministry





YOUTH

September was a fun month. We really got back in full swing of things. We are welcoming Pam Olson in leading the Youth Choir along with Larry Zehring this year. We have seven teens involved. We have one teen participating on the Praise Team. And we have full nights at our Wednesday night CrossWord classes. Also, we have most youth participating in the Boys and Girls Small Groups that meet on most Sunday nights. It is going great.

On Sundays, we have dug in studying the Life of Paul. And Wednesdays, we have games, activities, and messages that relate to daily living for Christ. Thanks go out to Don and Peggy Schuette, Richard and Linda Kellams with Devon Presley, and Carol for your donations of seating for our Youth Room. Our room is looking good with all the seating, and we all have a comfy place to sit now. We appreciate it so much!

One minor change to our September schedule is the normal annual *See You at the Pole Rally* at Memorial Park was cancelled for this year. So, to take its place, we will be having an ice cream social and prayer rally for our church's 5th grade and up on Tuesday, September 27th. This is a Pre-Pole event gearing our kids up to go to school on that Wednesday, the 28th, grab a friend or friends and head to the flag pole for prayers and song. It is the National Day of Student Prayer. Most school campuses from middle school and up hold this sponsored on-campus by FCA groups.

October is one of my favorite months of the year. This year we are having our first Fall Retreat. The kids have wanted to go tent camping since the day I started here almost two years ago, so that is what we are going to do. Yes, I am going on this overnight camp-out at 8 months pregnant, but I will have super help from some great parents. Prayers always are requested though, for all of us and for our journeys. We will be leaving the

church on October 1st at noon to head to Roaring River State Park, and return on October 2nd roughly 4:00 p.m. We have four campsites reserved (right across from the showers and restrooms). The kids will get to experience a hatchery tour, a program on mountain lions, trout fishing, hiking (definitely not lead by me), campfire food, s'mores, and spending time getting closer to our Lord. We are very excited about this. If anyone has any LARGE tents or fishing poles they would lend us, just let me know. Roaring River only allows two tents per site, so the bigger the tents the better. Some teens may be assisting at the Bazaar during that morning of October 1st before we leave for our retreat.

We have a normal month planned for classes, and many of the youth will volunteer to help at Trunk or Treat or be in attendance with their family's trunks. I am so excited to be here and working with this group of wonderful kids again for a third school year. We have many youth involved with activities around the community and through school. Mason Jones is again on the cast in BHS's Children's Play, *Peter Rabbit*. It will tour to elementary schools in October and will have public performances at the Arend Arts Center. Take your kids or grandkids. Kamryn Baker is the Student Costume Manager for the play, as well. If you love Shakespeare, head out the first weekend in November to catch BHS's production of *Twelfth Night*. Kamryn is the Assistant Director for this play. Kaci Baker is running Cross Country for Lincoln Jr. High, with David Hanson from our church as a new coach this year. Kaci is one of the team captains. Josh Patterson has made BHS's bowling team as a freshman. Please congratulate these teens when you see them. Have a great October.

Danette Baker,
Director of Youth Ministry





PRAYER

Last month, we concentrated on the Hedge of Protection Prayer Ministry and the Sanctuary Intercessory Prayer Ministry. This month we will finish with the remaining ministries. Hopefully, these brief descriptions will familiarize you with all of our Prayer Ministry options, and assist you in choosing where you would like to participate.

Home Intercessory Prayer Ministry

The purpose of the Home Intercessory Prayer Ministry is to focus on prayer for our congregation's pastors, staff, church leaders, and members as well as on prayer requests received from our members and guests, praying for these specific needs throughout the week. As we do, our homes will be transformed into "houses of prayer".

Participants receive a current prayer list weekly either by e-mail or as a hand-out following each Sunday Worship service. Copies are also available in the library until the following Sunday. You never have to leave your home to participate in this ministry.



The E-mail Prayer Chain Ministry

This ministry is intended to notify intercessors regarding prayer requests as needs arise and are made known. Our aim is to notify as many team members as possible, as quickly as possible. E-mail messages are sent to all participants simultaneously and pray-ers are expected to pray for the person or situation as soon as the message is received on the home computer. Urgent prayer needs are best served by this ministry; but these requests often appear on the Home Intercessory list for that week also.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry

The last of our current active Prayer Ministry choices, the purpose of this ministry is to combine prayer with knitting and/or crocheting to produce prayer shawls which are then presented to those in need. The gift of a Shawl reaches out to a person in need of comfort and solace for any number of reasons. Each shawl is blessed by one of our pastors before delivery to the recipient, and is a symbol of God's comforting love in time of illness or other crisis. Each knitter or crotchetier may work on her own or gather with others at the church for one hour on Tuesday afternoons at 1:00.

WORSHIP

A Prayer Service is taking place each Wednesday evening from 6:00 – 6:30 p.m. For a quiet time of prayer and reflection, please arrange your schedule to attend.

Check out the new Prayer Request cards!

The new format will allow for uniformity, as it fits in either the pew racks or the attendance books used in the contemporary service. When you use one, be sure to mark the front to indicate the manner in which you want your request shared within the church. Please remember to sign and date your request so that we can reach you when updates on your request are needed. Prayer Lists will be handed out in the Narthex following services, and will be available in the Library during the next week. If you would prefer to receive yours by e-mail, contact Marilyn Hertel at 855-0666.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE . . .

Many thanks to Troy Jorgensen for keeping our website up-to-date on all the happenings of the church! If you haven't visited for a while, please do so soon. New things are added all the time The new layout lets you know about sermon topics along with scripture references for upcoming Sunday services. The "Every Member in Ministry" has also been updated to include descriptions about giving through your Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service, and Witness.

FUMCBV Home

Page: www.LoveLearnLead.com

'Every Member in Ministry'

Page: www.lovelearnlead.com/emim

Also, thanks to Troy's perseverance, our church was awarded a Communications and Technology grant from the AR Conference to be used for purchasing equipment, making it possible to record and live-stream the contemporary service. He will be researching, purchasing, and setting up the equipment over the next several weeks.



FELLOWSHIP

SOARING SOLOS

The group will take the church bus to Eureka Springs to see the Passion Play on Friday October 7. Tickets were provided by the American Legion Post 341. Deadline to sign up is September 30.

Those who want, sign up with Jan Lowe for working the Pancake Day, October 15. We'll work the same shift, then stay to eat pancakes together.

The group will prepare and serve hot dogs with all the trimmings (in costume!) for Trunk or Treat at the Church—Monday evening, October 31.

Call or E-mail Jan at the church or at 531-0381 for questions or to sign up. Her E-mail address is jan@lovelearnlead.com

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

World Community Day, sponsored by Church Women United, will meet at our church Friday, November 4, 2011. Dessert will be served at 12:30 p.m., with the program "*LIVING OUR FAITH: UNLOCKING ACTION*". at 1:00 p.m.

Church Women United provides the ecumenical dimension of women members of churches and allows women to take some initiative in the way they express their faith in today's world. We are members of different churches and Church Women United gives us a channel through which we work together. All women in the community are invited to attend.

Our in-kind offerings will go to Havenwood in Bentonville. Havenwood offers temporary housing for women and children in need. Please bring ready-to-eat canned foods, cereal, paper products and hygiene products to donate.

UMW

We want to thank everyone who has helped these past months in preparing for the October Bazaar. For all of you who did your projects at home; the workshop chairs, Judy and Gladys, we can't thank enough for all of their efforts in thinking up craft and sewing ideas for us to do at the workshops and all the dedicated ladies who showed up faithfully every Thursday to work on them; Sandy & Martha who made sure the Advertising got taken care of; The Bazaar Chairs who knew what needed to be done and did it; Marlene and her crew in the kitchen with all of the food preparations, and the lunch room servers; Those who shared their plants and garden decorations; the ones who made all of those delicious pies and baked items for the Country Kitchen; For Sue - who was planning a cruise and couldn't be here for the Bazaar, but made sure that all of the soup, cookie, pie, & brownie mixes were put together for the Gift Baskets and Country Kitchen before she left; Special thanks to Marion Korn's who was so gracious to prepare a meal for the workshop ladies along with others on September 15th; and of course a Special Thank You to the UMM who helped us wrap boards, set up and tear down, man the parking lot, and all of the things that we needed help with. With all the willing hands to help make the Bazaar happen, we thank you for it. Also our thanks to all who supported the Bazaar by shopping, buying, enjoying the Orange Rolls and the lunch served by the Kitchen and Lunch Room. Many charitable agencies will be helped through all these efforts.

Karen Roenfeld & Verna Bottjen
Co-Chair's, Bazaar 2011

ANGEL TREE

Heads up for all Angel Tree Angels! The Christmas Angel Tree will be put up the last week of October. Please mark your calendar now as a reminder to select your child early. Be sure to sign your name by the number you select.



UMM

The United Methodist Men's next dinner meeting will be Wednesday, October 12 at 6:30 p.m. in Becker Hall. Papa Mike will be serving old fashioned pot roast along with a vegetable, salad, desert and drinks. The speaker will be Jessica Young from the Circle of Life organization. She will provide information on the services they provide during one of the most critical times in our lives. The phone tree invitation will be made October 5 for reservations.

Please remember that on Friday, October 14 we will be setting up for our **Fall Pancake Breakfast** that will be held the next day. There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board by Becker Hall where you can indicate your availability to help in setting up, serving or taking down the tables, etc. Anyone who has missed out on getting a ticket or tickets can obtain them from the church office for \$5.00 each.



ADOPTION PROGRESS

The adoption program for the refurbishing of the entrance doors is not quite half way to it's goal. We hope to get this project completed before the weather turns too cold to paint. The security and efficiency of the doors will be greatly improved when the job is done. It was good news when we found out that the doors were basically sound and would not have to be replaced, which would have cost thousands of dollars.

To update you on the first Green Church Adoption Project, programmable thermostats were purchased and installed. Keith Sterwald has the ability, willingness, and knowledge to program all of them and to analyze the efficiency of our heating and air conditioning units. Our July-August electric bill was down considerably during one of the hottest summers on record. We anticipate even more efficiency in the future. There have been a few motion sensors installed replacing the wall switches. Please just let them work. Do not flip the switch. We want to see how they will work for us. LED exit lights have been installed to meet the fire inspectors findings. By switching to LED, they will pay for themselves in just about a year by more efficient energy usage.



BOOK NOOK



NON-FICTION:

WHERE ANGELS WALK by Joan Anderson (291.2)

The unforgettable book that brings a touch of Heaven into the life of everyone who reads it.

LARGE PRINT FICTION:

THE SILENT GOVERNESS by Julie Klassen

Olivia Keene is fleeing her own secret. She never intended to overhear his.

3 book series "Seasons of Grace" by Beverly Lewis

THE SECRET (Book 1)

As much as I longed to know my Mother's secrets, something told me I might come to wish I never knew.

THE MISSING (Book 2)

While a family waits, the truth beckons...

THE TELLING (Book 3)

Grace Byler continues her search for her mother – but does Lettie Byler want to be found?

FICTION:

THE LINCOLN LAWYER by Michael Connelly

Mickey Haller has spent all his professional life afraid that he wouldn't recognize innocence if it stood right in front of him. But what he should have been on the watch for was evil.

ALADDIN by Walt Disney

A classic animated story.

WITH OPEN ARMS by Patricia H. Rushford

Book 14 in the Guideposts series "Stories from Hope Haven"





EDUCATION

Fall LIFEWorks classes are under way!

"WHY? Making Sense of God's Will."

Wednesdays, 4 weeks, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Oct 5 — Oct 26 Facilitator - Rev. Lee Myane

Pastor Lee Myane has set aside four weeks beginning October 5 to facilitate a class from one of Adam Hamilton's top selling books, "Why? Making Sense of God's Will." The class will expand on the recent series of the same title, led by Bro. Jaimie Alexander. The class will meet in the Chapel from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. for the four Wednesdays in October. The book is available for Kindle or copies may be purchased in the church office.

Evangelism Ministry at FUMCBV

Wednesday, October 12 6:30-8:00 p.m. Room 5 Facilitator—Bro. Jaimie Alexander

In this one evening class you will find out what Evangelism is and what it is not, in our church. Learn how critical this ministry is to the spirit and growth of our church. Discover the activities that fall under this umbrella. Some may discover they have gifts that would make them suited to serve on this team, but all will leave with a much better understanding of the what and why of Evangelism.

Mission Ministry at FUMCBV

Wednesday, October 16 6:30-8:00 p.m. Room 6 Facilitator—Sandy Fitch

If you contribute to the financial support of our church, part of your contribution is used to support a number of agencies and programs in our Mission Ministry. Come and let Mission Ministry Steward, Sandy Fitch education you on who we support and how you might be able to serve in some small way to continue the excellent record of outreach and mission in our church. Bring the whole family.

"The Way...an introduction to First UMC, Bella Vista."

Wednesdays 4 weeks 6:30-8:00 p.m. October 26 through November 16

Facilitators - Rev. Jaimie J. Alexander, Rev. Lee Myane, Ed Jenner, Jan Lowe

For those who want to know more about our church or those who want to join, plan to attend this four week program that will give you the foundation you need to understanding who we are, what we believe, how we are organized, and what you can do. A light working supper will be provided at the beginning of each class. Even people who have been members a while will get something out of this series of classes.

October 26—Pizza with the Pastors (Becker Hall) An Introduction. Come for a time of sharing with the pastors and each other, get acquainted, and understand the 'big picture' of how things work at our church. (Pizza/Salad)

November 2—Methodism - History, Doctrine, Polity and the Sacraments (Chapel) How did we get started? What do Methodists believe? (Baked Potatoes/Salad)

November 9—Membership (Chapel) Learn our local church history and organization, committees and ministries of the church, means of Grace, and Member Covenant. (Chicken or Veggie Wrap/Salad)

November 16—Connecting in Ministry (Chapel) How do I find my place in the church? How do I find out what my gifts are? Do I have to track the time I give? Get answers to these and other questions about our church's Every Member in Ministry program. (Beef Pot Pie/Salad)

Check the LIFEWorks brochures for other classes offered during this time.



MISSIONS

PAK-A-SAK

Sunday, October 16, our collection of food will be delivered to Souls Harbor in Rogers. This is a homeless shelter for men who are having difficulties at this time. They are in need of all types of food especially, coffee, rice, pasta, dried beans, spaghetti sauce, and cereal. Thank you so much for your generosity each month.

ANGEL FOOD UPDATE

From the Angle Food Ministry website...
 "Angel Food Ministries has considered many options regarding our future. At this time we regret to inform you that we have not found a solution that will allow Angel Food Ministries to continue to distribute food on a monthly basis and have decided to cease operations. We realize the pressure that this places on our host sites, community food banks and customers."

The Garland Spurgin Angel Food Ministry at FUMCBV is thankful to all the "angels" who have helped feed hungry families in our community. Please continue to pray for us as we look for ways to continue our ministry.

VOLUNTEERS IN MISSION

Highlands Church has organized a number of mission trips to Joplin. Available openings are October 12-14 and November 14-18. You can volunteer for any or all. The same church is organizing a mission trip to Mt. Eagle, a United Methodist camp south of Harrison in central Arkansas, to build a pavilion on November 4 through November 6. They need to take along 10 to 15 people, and we are invited to join their group. Sleeping quarters will be provided, so the only costs for individuals will be for meals. Please contact Ed Jenner at (479) 876-2149 for further information and reservations by October 10 if you are interested in going.



HABITAT APOSTLE BUILD

Mark your calendars! Our work week begins Monday, October 17. No experience is necessary; on the job training will be provided. You can sign-up to work part of a day, a full day, every day that week - whatever fits your schedule.



This is also the week that our church has been asked to provide a noon meal for 10 – 15 people at the build site. A sign-up list for workers and meals is on the bulletin board outside Becker Hall. Questions??? Contact Chet Campbell at 876-5172

MISSION of the MONTH RED BIRD MISSION



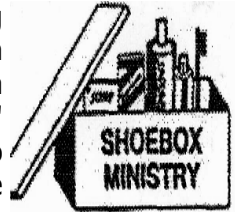
Red Bird Mission is an institution of the General Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church and part of the Red Bird Mission Conference in the Appalachian mountains of Southeastern Kentucky. It empowers individuals and advocates justice by providing educational, health, and community outreach ministries to area low-income residents.

Red Bird Mission and Clinic have been providing ministries in this region since 1921. Today the need remains critical in this isolated, rural distressed area. Chronic poverty, lack of jobs, poor housing, and rugged mountainous terrain provide obstacles to a fuller life for the residents of this area. Red Bird Mission and Clinic strives to meet these needs through ministry in five areas: Education, Health and Wellness, Community Outreach, Economic Opportunity, and Community Housing Improvement.



SHOEBOX MINISTRY

Volunteers: Talk about the song "Whistle While You Work", on Tuesday, August 30 we had a "laugh while you work" emergency pack. Thanks to volunteers Myra Baker, Rene Bladen, Carolyn Butler, Marie Carlson, Sandy Fitch, Martha Grant, Kathy Hartgrove, Vicki Hoye, Mason Jones, Dana Rhodes, James Rusterholz, Patricia Rusterholz, Angie Rader, Co Ellen Sterwald, and Diane Verville 30 baby boxes and 120 men's boxes were packed. James Rusterholz also packaged many bags of laundry detergent. A special Thank you to Diane Verville who organized this pack. Due to the sudden increase in requests by various shelters, we ran out of boxes and laundry soap. We can fill of our orders now. Shoebox is so blessed to have volunteers so willing to help on such short notice. Blessing to each and every one of you! Sunshine Sacks School has started and 43 students at Cooper Elementary qualify for Sunshine Sacks this month. Thank you to the members of Martha Circle for packing the sacks this month. Your help is really appreciated.



Donations: Thank you to the United Methodist Men for their donation which will support the Sunshine Sack program, to Bud Henke for his donation in memory of Joyce Tenklenberg, and to Mike and Mary Patrick for their donation of baby items in honor of their 16th wedding anniversary.

Needs: Disposable razors, full size soap and toothpaste, feminine products and men's and women's undergarments.

As always in His service,
The Shoebox Ministry Team

WESLEY CONCERT SERIES

presents

DR. COLE BURGER

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

7:30 p.m.



Featuring the works of:

Bach, Shostakovich, Kapustin, & others

A native of Ft. Smith, Dr. Burger performed his first solo piano recital in our church in May of 1995. Since that time, he has performed throughout the world, and has won many prestigious awards. Dr. Cole Burger currently serves as Associate Piano Chair, Coordinator of Group Piano, and Faculty Member at the Levine School of Music in Washington, DC. Cole is also head of the piano department at Camp Encore/Coda in Sweden, Maine.

HEALTH & WELLNESS MINISTRY ~

... needs volunteers to help record blood pressure numbers taken by Janet Boblenz & Janice Lang.

WHEN: 1st Sunday each month

WHERE: Chapel—between services

WHY: To allow more members to get their blood pressure checked.

Please call Janet at 657-6447

or

Janice at 657-6573

if you can help. Thanks.



SHOE DRIVE ~ OCTOBER 2 to NOVEMBER 6

We want your gently used (or even new!) shoes. You can bring them to the church and place them in the collection boxes that will be set up. If you can, please include \$2.00 per pair to help off-set the cost of shipping. Once our drive is complete, we will send our shoes to the Soles 4 Souls warehouse in Old Hickory, TN, to be shipped all over the world. See the flyer on the bulletin board by Becker Hall for further information.





THANK YOU

I am so thankful that I belong to a church full of such loving and caring people. Thank you, Brother Jaimie and Pastor Lee for your visits and prayers. And thanks to all who sent cards and called during my recent surgeries.

Elaine Detlefsen

On behalf of everyone involved in the Music Ministry of our church, we want to thank Sandy Fitch (and her crew-Verna Bottjen, Karen Roenfeld and Phoebe Bader) for providing the beautiful and delicious brunch as a part of Music Appreciation Sunday. It was an enjoyable time for all of us and the courtesy much appreciated!

It is a joy and privilege to be a part of the Music Ministry of FUMCBV and we are looking forward to continuing in our service.

*Dr. Larry Zehring
Director of Music Ministries*

Charles Raney and family have been overwhelmed with the outpouring of love over the past several months, and want all of you to know how much we appreciated it, needed it. Thank you to all who visited BJ over the last several months of her life, sent her cards and called her. Thank you to those special ladies who sat with her so Charles could go home and get some sleep. Thank you to the "quilters", to those at Helping Hands, to those in the Church, friends at the Plaza - all of whom made great gifts of their time and talents. Thank you to all who prayed for her. Thank you to all who made her life so rich.

The Family of Betty "BJ" Raney



The Green Church Project

Finding ways to be better stewards of all of our resources

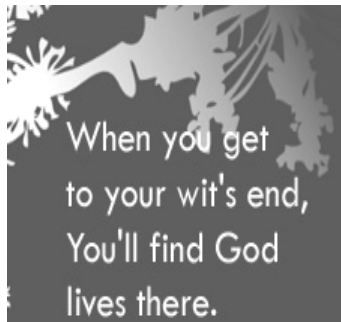
At Church:

- ◆ Thanks to your generosity, motion-sensor lights have been installed in some of the upstairs bathrooms. They save electricity! Thank you!
- ◆ A careful audit of our air-conditioning and heating systems and resulting modifications saved the church \$600 in July! Bravo!!
- ◆ Look for recycle containers in Becker Hall and the office for bulletins and other printed material.
- ◆ Remember to turn out lights when you are the last one to leave a space.

At Home:

- ◆ The U.S. Postal Service has a sheet of "Go Green" stamps. Buy some and help educate others on ways to be better stewards of the environment with each letter you send.
- ◆ Buying local produce helps the local economy and saves fuel by reducing shipping distances.
- ◆ Use energy-efficient light bulbs.
- ◆ Plant trees. They are great for the environment.

The Green Team has learned that ESCO of Rogers processes and recycles e-waste. (see their flyer on the BH bulletin board) They accept any item that plugs in or uses a battery (no Freon). Items are manually disassembled and the toxic materials separated out and repurposed to save it from ending up in a landfill. As part of our mission to be responsible stewards of God's earth we want to help you rid your household of defunct, or outdated, battery items, electronics, tools and appliances in a responsible manner. WATCH next month for coming projects.



FINANCE CORNER

Month-to-date (as of 8/31/11)	Budgeted Expenses	\$51,643
Month-to-date (as of 8/31/11)	Receipts	\$42,113
Year-to-date	Budgeted Expenses	\$415,061
Year-to-date	Receipts	\$379,304
Year-to-date	Actual Expenses.	\$386,326



October 2011 CALENDAR

Please consult this page for meetings and activities for the month of August;
Check the weekly bulletin and website (www.lovelearnlead.com) for updates.

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| 1 ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR | 11 Agape SG—5:30pm—Chapel |
| 2 Blood Pressure Check - 9:00am - Chapel | 12 Member Care - 9:00am - Room 6 |
| 2 Golden Links (every Sunday) 9:30am- Rm 23 | 12 Missions Mtng—9:30am—Room 23 |
| 2 Wesley (every Sunday 9:30am) - Quilt Room | 12 Church Women United - 1:00pm - Chapel |
| 2 Seekers (every Sunday) 9:30am—Room 6 | 12 UMM Dinner—6:30—Becker Hall |
| 2 Study of Old Testamnt (every Sun)-10:45am-Chapel | 12 "Evangelism" w/ Bro Jaimie - 6:30 - Room 5 |
| 3 Staff Meeting (every Monday) 10:00am—Room 6 | 13 Men's Golf—9:58—Dogwood |
| 3 Men's Golf—11:32am—Country Club-B | 13 HOPE Circle - 1:00pm - Chapel |
| 3 Women's Chorus (every Mon)12:45pm—Choir Room | 14 Pre-School Board Mtng - 11:30am - Room 6 |
| 4 Men's Golf—7:59am—Scotsdale | 15 UMM PANCAKE DAY |
| 4 Concordia Bible Study (every Tues) 10:00am | 16 PAK-A-SAK SUNDAY |
| 4 Prayer Shawl (every Tues) 1:00pm—Room 5 | 16 Concordia Worship Service - 2:30 |
| 5 Bible Study (every Wednesday) 8:30am - Rm 5 | 17 CARE & SHARE TRAILER in PARKING LOT |
| 5 Disciples I (every Wednesday) 9:00am-Room 23 | 17 Men's Golf - 9:00am - Dogwood |
| 5 Quilters (every Wednesday) 9:00am-Quilt Rm | 17 Martha Circle—9:00am—Chapel |
| 5 UMW Luncheon & Meeting—12:00pm -(BH) | 17 BLOOD DRIVE - 9:00-3:00- Becker Hall |
| 5 Guest Follow-Up Meeting—1:00pm - Room 5 | 17 Village House Worship Service - 10:00am |
| 5 Chancel Bells (every Wed) 3:30pm—Music Rm | 17 Finance Committee—6:30pm—Room 5 |
| 5 PACE Exercise (every Wed) 4:00pm—Chapel | 18 Men's Golf—9:00am—Scotsdale |
| 5 Prayer Service (every Wed) 6:00pm Sanctuary | 18 BV Book Club—1:00pm—Room 23 |
| 5 Youth Choir (every Wed) 6:00pm-Choir Room | 18 Naomi Circle—1:30—Chapel |
| 5 Lifeworks classes (every Wed) - 6:30pm | 18 Church Council - 6:30pm - Chapel |
| 5 Crossword Youth (every Wed) 7:00pm -Room 22 | 19 GREEN TEAM—6:30pm—Chapel |
| 6 Men's Chorus (every Thurs) 8:00am—BH | 19 Mission Ministry - 6:30pm - Chapel |
| 6 Men's Golf—9:58am—Scotsdale | 19 S.A.L.T.—7:00pm—Room 5 |
| 6 Choir Practice (every Thurs) 3:30pm-Chr Rm | 20 Men's Golf—12:06pm - Highlands |
| 7 Disciples III (every Friday) 9:00am Room 23 | 20 Son's of Revolution - 2:00pm - Chapel |
| 8 BV Cemetery Work Day | 20 Evening Circle - 6:30pm - Chapel |
| 10 DAR—9:00am—Chapel | 21 Cole Burger Concert - 7:30- Sanctuary |
| 10 Alzheimer's/Dementia Support-9:00am (2nd&4th) | 24 Men's Golf—9:00am—Scotsdale |
| 10 Men's Golf—11:40AM—Country Club | 26 Calico Cut-ups—10:30am—Becker Hall |
| 10 Calico Cut-ups Board Mtng—12:00pm—Rm 23 | 27 Men's Golf—10:00am—Country Club |
| 10 Abrams SG—5:30pm—Becker Hall | 29 Helping Hands workday |
| 11 Charity Circle - 9:00am - Chapel | 31 Men's Golf—9:00am—Highlands |
| 11 Men's Golf—10:34am—Scotsdale | |
| 11 Sarah Circle—1:00pm—Chapel | |

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