

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of BELLA VISTA



The Good News

October 2018



2019
Every One In Ministry
Graced By the Fruits of
Our Labor



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Glimpses of Grace

Rev. Jeanne Williams, Senior Pastor

Fall is my favorite season of the year. Growing up in western New York, we were surrounded by sugar maples which really showed off during this time. I think that's one reason I love fall – the colors. I also love the cooling temperatures, so I can wear sweaters and boots! Oh! And football! I can't forget about fall and football! Although, I think I need to start looking forward to next year's Razorback football team....

Fall is also a season of gathering – of harvesting. During these months, we find ourselves gathering more often for various reasons. And I like gatherings! We have a multitude of gathering opportunities in October and in the following months. From the Bazaar, to pancakes, to worship, to mission opportunities, to gathering of our gifts, we are called to gather in different ways and for different reasons. You can see just how many amazing opportunities we have happening this month in these pages! I want to highlight two things, in particular.

The first is a Service for the Blessing of Animals on October 3, 5:30 PM. This service is usually held on or near the observance of St. Francis of Assisi Day. A Blessing of Animals, in many congregations, witnesses to God's and the Church's love, care, and concern for creation. As we recognize our mutual interdependence with God's creatures, the Church's witness of stewardship of creation is strengthened. It is also a service with special appeal to children. I invite you to bring your animals – large and small – to the portico at 5:30. Please be sure to keep all animals contained – leashes, crates, cages, tanks, or horse trailers even! We will have a brief worship service outside, and then Pastor Brenda and I will bless the animals and their friends.

The second is our Stewardship season. You should have received by now a letter introducing *Graced by the Fruits of Our Labor*. For the first three weeks of October, we will be focusing on Stewardship. Please look at the article in the newsletter for more information. Commitment Sunday is Oct. 21 during all three worship services. Lou Kaufmann will be preaching as it is also Laity Sunday. I hope to see you there!

Blessings in your Gatherings,
Rev. Jeanne

Coming Soon: “*Graced by the Fruits of Our Labor*”

On Sunday, October 7, we begin a three-week program called *Graced by the Fruits of Our Labor*. Our theme verse is from Ephesians 6:7: “*Serve wholeheartedly, as if you are serving the Lord, not people.*” We serve wholeheartedly when we give wholeheartedly in service to the Lord. In our resolve to serve wholeheartedly in Christ's name, we put our faith and trust in the Lord into action. Through this program, we all will grow to understand a little more clearly what it means to be a Christian whose purpose is to serve, not to be served.

God has created, forgiven, and redeemed us, God's instruments of love and compassion in the world. God blesses us so we can serve God by serving others. God honors us with the privilege of being the channels through which God works. We are blessed to be a blessing. God wants us to be God's channels to live in total devotion to God, and to be God's faithful stewards. God empowers us to do the “*good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do*” (Ephesians 3:20). The same strength that was available to Paul is available to us. As the Apostle Paul wrote the people in Philippi, “*I can do everything through the one who gives me strength*” (Philippians 4:13). Through the reading of God's Word and participation in the Sacraments, we are strengthened and equipped so that we can fulfill God's purpose for our lives. By the power of the Holy Spirit, we can **give it all we've got** in service and commitment to the Lord.

It is our prayer that the Lord will truly bless this program and that God will reveal the true riches of God's peace and joy as we give it all we've got in serving and glorifying God. Plan to be present at all three Sunday services which will address the theme of being **Graced by the Fruits of Our Labor!**



JOINING in the JOURNEY TOGETHER

Rev. Brenda Wideman, Associate Pastor

Healing Ministries

Are you hurting? Pray. Do you feel great? Sing. Are you sick? Call the church leaders together to pray and anoint you with oil in the name of the Master. Believing-prayer will heal you, and Jesus will put you on your feet. And if you've sinned, you'll be forgiven—healed inside and out.

James 5:13-15 (MSG)

We live in a broken and hurting world; we hurt physically, mentally, and spiritually. Our world is not unlike the world when Jesus walked the earth with us. Jesus healed the sick and the hurting with prayer and with touch. He sent his disciples out to do likewise. The ritual of anointing was used in their healing ministry. (Mark 6:13)

Recently our Congregational Care Ministers have been offering prayer and anointing at the altar rail on the Sundays of Holy Communion. You may be unfamiliar with this practice or believe that it is not used in the United Methodist Church. You may think that this practice is only used in the Roman Catholic Church. Although this practice is not used in every Christian denomination, our UMC theology does include it. In our UM Book of Worship, liturgy is given for a number of services in a section entitled 'Healing Services and Prayers.' These services include both the practice of anointing and the laying on of hands.

All healing and wholeness is of God. As disciples, we are called to pray with and for each other in all things, but especially in times of challenge and brokenness; times of grief, illness, broken relationships, discouragement, and more. In these prayers, we share the pain and provide an act of hope in God. Those who minister in ways of spiritual healing are channels of God's love. The ministry of touch through laying on of hands and/or anointing enacts the grace of God. The touch bridges alienation, swallows isolation, breaks suffering, and opens discouraged human spirits. The UM Book of Worship notes that 'anointing the forehead with oil is a sign act invoking the healing love of God. The oil points beyond itself and those doing the anointing to the action of the Holy Spirit and the presence of the healing Christ, who is God's Anointed One.' Note that healing in this way is not 'magic', but is a result of the underlying mystery of God's love. In our joining together in Holy Communion, the underlying mystery of God's love through the Holy Spirit calls us and reconciles us in community through Jesus Christ. In the one-on-one act of prayer and anointing, the mystery of God's love through the Holy Spirit reconciles us to God and within ourselves.

When you are so led, we invite you to participate in this healing ministry, to sense the power of the Holy Spirit, to feel the touch of our Lord and Savior, and to remember that God is always with us on the journey, regardless of where we are or what we are going through.

Blessings, Pastor Brenda

The United Methodist Book of Worship (1992), Nashville, TN: The United Methodist Publishing House, pp. 613-14.

When Mourning Dawns:

Living Your Way Fully through the Seasons of Your Grief

Our group journey continues through October 23 on Tuesday evenings from 5:30-7:00pm in the Chapel. Come join us and bring a friend who might also benefit from these encounters.





Growing Disciples

Danielle Norgaard,
NextGen Director

"A person's a person no matter how small."
Dr. Seuss

When I began teaching 18 years ago, I believed that children were vessels waiting to be filled with knowledge. I viewed them as people-in-training. The longer I worked with them, the more I realized that they come to us partially filled already. Their personalities and quirks and tendencies are God-given. I discovered that kids are not "potential people". They are already people! (Who knew?!)

They also come to us with their spiritual gifts intact. That means that even the littlest ones can help do God's work on Earth. Isn't that amazing? When children are encouraged to use their gifts, their spirits sing with joy and purpose. In those moments, they are exactly who God created them to be.

What gifts have you noticed in the children in your life? How can you encourage them to use their gifts in their homes, schools, and communities?

On Saturday, September 22, some of our children, teens, and adults participated in the 200,000 Reasons to Fight Childhood Hunger initiative of the UMC. We worked with United Methodists from around the state at the NWA Food Bank in Bethel Heights. We hope this becomes an annual event in NWA as it is in Little Rock. Thank you to all who helped!

Sunday, October 14, is Children's Sabbath. Our children and youth will serve at each service, and the youth will speak about children's issues in our country.

It's Trunk or Treat time! What a fun family and community event. Last year we had great attendance and some amazing decorated car trunks. I'd love to have 20 trunks this year. Will you join us?

Happy Fall!

Danielle

MEDIA MUSINGS

Kacy Spears,
Director of Communications



Media Ministry Needs You! We can teach anyone!

In college, I found myself making short videos in my spare time or hanging lights in the theatre for the next production as a way to de-stress. For me, media is creative, meticulous, and a form of worship! When you learn one slice of knowledge about a particular audio/visual instrument, it applies to other technologies we use in our day-to-day lives.

"How is media ministry an act of worship?" Worship is defined as any act that lets us encounter and honor God. When I'm setting lights for the choir, microphones for the pastors, or designing slides for Sunday so the congregation can sing along, I'm able to see how this work is honoring our Savior.

When visitors enter our church, I want them to feel like they can easily find a ministry to plug into. A united church body is invaluable to the functions of the church and serves as an example of a Christ-like community. That's why I want new servants on the media team – I want everyone to feel that they have a place in this church that benefits the church body and our worship.



"But I don't know anything about audio/visual!"
Don't worry! You don't have to! I will train you on how to run slides on the screen, control sound, or run the video camera.

No experience is necessary!

Please come to the short training session on Sound, Camera, and Slides Sunday, October 14th at Noon in Becker Hall. You can find out how simple it is to do each of these tasks, and decide for yourself if this something you might enjoy. If you do feel called to serve in media ministry, please contact me at kacy@lovelearnlead.com.

Kacy

Barrels for CANDY DONATION and Sign-up sheets for VOLUNTEERS are in the Narthex & Becker Hall

We can use YOUR help as FUMCBV hosts the community at this fun family holiday event!

TRUNK OR TREAT

OCTOBER 31 5:30-7:00PM

HOTDOGS • SMORES • PHOTOBOOTH



20 BOYCE DRIVE
BELLA VISTA, AR



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**OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES**

- 1 Charles & Connie Danielson
- 2 Ivan & Merle Lantz
- 5 Terry & Linda Davis
- 11 Melanie & Sarah Bowers
- 12 Ken & Mary Jane Hammarstrom
- 16 Jud & Melba Brown
- 25 Bob & Shirley Kennedy
- 30 Lynn & Karen Dove

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS (Continued)

- 12 Sandra Beverage
- 12 Tom Harris
- 12 Bill Wilson
- 13 Richard Bacon
- 13 Kristin Crider
- 13 Alyssa Wilmoth
- 15 Mickey Shank
- 16 George Ann ("G") Billingsley
- 19 Charlie Danielson
- 20 Arlene Alford
- 20 Drew Baker
- 20 Jeanette Horner
- 20 Kyle Murphy
- 20 Joshua Patterson
- 20 Carolyn Sutton
- 20 Caleb Sweeney
- 21 Dave Broers
- 21 Austin Curtis
- 21 Bedetta Valentine
- 22 Sharon Farrar
- 23 Harvey Green
- 23 Richard Henault
- 23 Elizabeth Little
- 24 Bobby Billingsley
- 24 Michelle Forst
- 24 Weldon Hyde
- 24 Jocelyn Magee
- 24 Richard Stewart
- 25 Elaine Detlefsen
- 25 Dennis Reed
- 25 Maxine Ward
- 25 Cheryl Whitesides
- 28 Richard Abbott
- 28 Fred Lemley
- 30 Jack Storck

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Connie Danielson
- 2 Betty Reynolds
- 2 Jean Swanson
- 3 Evelyn Antoine
- 3 Rob Whitesides
- 4 Don Jones
- 5 Carole Boyd
- 5 Darleen O'Brien
- 5 Chris Rice
- 5 David Stanley
- 6 Marie Carlson
- 6 Allan Hagan
- 6 Malinda Hickey
- 6 Danielle Norgaard
- 6 Marianne Zotti
- 7 Connie Hinton
- 7 Shirley Kennedy
- 8 Gene Young
- 9 Bob Kennedy
- 10 Isabella Sampson
- 10 Brian Wilmoth
- 11 Stephen Larsen
- 11 Jim Prather



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 Brenda Wideman, Associate Pastor, at brenda@lovelearnlead.com or 855-1158.

NEW MEMBERS

Carol Pennington - calls Lonoke, AR home but moved five years ago to NW Arkansas to start a new career with Walmart. She works in project management, communications, and analytics there. She came to worship with us because a co-worker talked so much about our church. Carol has three children, a son Ryan, and twins John Mark and Julie. She loves working in the yard and spending time with family and friends along with taking care of her two rescue mutts Murphy and Sadie. We welcome Carol to our church family!



BIRTHS

Brady Lee Severson—4th great-grandson of Rich and Shirley Severson, was born Saturday, September 8th in Omaha, NE to Lucas and Christine Severson.

Henry Alan Carver—6th great-grandchild of Dick and Sonnie Andersen was born on September 13th in Iowa City. Henry is the son of Anthony and Caitlyn Carver.

MILESTONES

You are cordially invited to help Mickey Shank celebrate her 90th Birthday, Monday, October 15th at a Come & Go Party from 1:00-3:00 at The Plaza, #1 Highland Crossing.



Bob and Shirley Kennedy, members of FUMCBV since 1994, are celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary October 25th. They were married in the Bushton, KS Methodist Church by Rev. Paul T. Mundell.

The Kennedys are parents of 2 sons, 2 daughters, 3 grandsons, 3 granddaughters, and 3 great-grandchildren. They have made a donation to Red Bird Mission in celebration of this momentous occasion.



Doug and Martha Grant—celebrated their 18th wedding anniversary on August 26th. A beautiful bouquet of daisies was placed on the altar in honor of this special day.

Frank and Marilyn Kostal—celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary on September 2, and graced us with a beautiful bright arrangement on the altar in the sanctuary.



RELOCATIONS

Peggy DeWitt (Stout) – has relocated to Hot Springs to begin anew close to her best friend since childhood, Sharon Hunter. Her new address will be 1301 Greenwood Ave, Hot Springs, AR 71913. Feel free to contact her and wish her well in this new beginning.

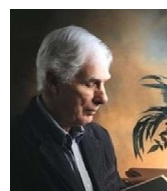


IN MEMORIUM



Juanita Dittmer - passed away on Wednesday, September 5 in Pekin, Illinois. Juanita had been a member with us since 1985, but moved to Illinois to be close to family. After a service to be held in Pekin on October 13th, a memorial service will be held in our sanctuary on Thursday, October 18 at 1:30pm, with interment immediately following in the Bella Vista Cemetery alongside Bob, Juanita's husband. No reception will be held. Condolences may be sent to the family c/o her daughter: Tammy Jess, 807 Park Ave, Pekin, IL 61554

Rev. Jocelyn Bernholdt, associate pastor with us from 1997-2003, passed away on September 6 in Oregon, WI. Her memorial service was held there September 18. Condolences may be sent to her husband: Harry Bernholdt, 907 Foxboro Dr. Oregon, WI 53575.



William "Bill" Edward Platt, Jr. passed away Monday, October 1. His wife Bobbie has been a member here since 2014. A celebration of life service will be held at Bella Vista Funeral Home Saturday, October 6 at 4:00pm with a reception to follow. The family requests memorials go to Circle of Life at www.nwacircleoflife.org.



OUR FAMILY

Gary "Dwight" Williams - uncle of Rev. Heath Williams, died Monday, September 10th in Florence, AL. Services were held September 15th with Rev. Heath presiding.

Powell Dean Byers – father of Dena Mayes, was laid to rest in Vaughn, AR on Tuesday, September 18, with his large family gathered in his memory. He had passed away suddenly on Thursday, September 13th in Bentonville.

Siarra Miller – granddaughter of Dave and Anny Weber, died unexpectedly on Friday, September 14th in Warrensburg, MO. She was 35-years old and is survived by a 15-year-old son, Austen.

Jim Bilyeu's family – has had multiple losses. Jim's sister, Carolyn, has passed away Sunday, September 16, from an extended illness and his cousin's husband, Bennie, was killed in an accident Saturday, September 15

Nancy Miller— sister of Diane Verville passed away on September 25th, Diane's birthday. Diane and her family travelled to Oregon on October 4th for the memorial service there.

Please keep all of these families in your prayers as they grieve the loss of their loved-ones.

ALL-SAINTS SUNDAY is Sunday, November 4th, when we will remember those members who have passed away since All-Saints Sunday 2017. Please carefully look this list over, and let the office know ASAP if we have inadvertently missed someone.

Viola Aandahl	Ruth Jackson
Eunice Albers	*Patrick McBride
*Marshall Beahm	Irl Palmer
*Rev. Jocelyn Bernholdt	Bill Platt
Wayne Calhoun	Ewart Scarff
Jack Collins	R. D. Shoulders
Juanita Dittmer	Wilda Tague
Iola Elder	*Dorene Van Fleet
Syble Highfill	*Jay Van Fleet
Glen Hogue	*Caryl Zietlow
Martha Hogue	*Mary Ann Zietlow
Vicki Hoye	*Past/non member
*Betty Hurl	

OCTOBER ACTIVITIES

FRIENDS OF CHRIST—a Bible Study/ Fellowship group meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday from 1:30-3:00 in the Chapel. However, they will be meeting at 1:00 on the 8th to watch a movie. This is more than a Sunday School class. Come join these friendly folks!

SOLOS will meet at 5p.m. on October 16th for Taco Tuesday in the party room of the BV American Legion. For an accurate head count, please RSVP by calling Suzanne Chilton at 314-724-5855 or e-mailing Chiltonsr@hotmail.com. All singles are welcome, and invited to come enjoy a social get-together. Please feel free to invite others. Hope to see you all there!

AVALON SHEPHERD GROUP will meet on Saturday, October 20th at 9:30 at Mimi's in Pinnacle Hills Promenade for fellowship and a good meal.

Midweek Manna ~ Wednesday Nights

Dinner ~ 5:30-6:15 ~ Becker Hall

(suggested cost: \$5 adult, \$3 Child, \$15 Family)

Groups 6:30 - 7:30/7:45

Study Groups:

- Financial Peace University~Rev.Jim Rowland
- Ancient Roads ~ Jean Meadows (10/17-11/7)
- Short Stories by Jesus ~ Rev Brenda
- Joy Stealers ~ Elaine Detlefsen
- Numbers ~ Women's Bible Study

Craft & Activity Groups:

- Coloring Your Way to Calm
- Fairy Gardens (10/17)

Children & Youth Opportunities

- **Infants & Toddlers** Nursery Available
- **Pre-K - 6th Grade** Bible Basics—Each week the children will study a book of the Bible through scripture and song
- **YouthLife** (7th-12th grade)
They will continue to explore various life topics through the study of scripture and its application to everyday life

Sign up in the Office for classes and dinner!



OCTOBER NEWS

The next **DINNER MEETING** is October 10, at 6:30 pm in Becker Hall. Our guests for the evening are the Bella Vista Police and Fire Departments. We will be honoring them for the great job they do for our community. Police and fireman love Barbeque Ribs so we will have Rhythm & Q bring enough for everyone. Artie Lawless, Vice President, will be running the meeting and for reservations, you can call Artie at 212-4995 or the church office. Please come out and support our police and firefighters for the work that they do.

This year's **PANCAKE BREAKFAST** is Friday, October 19, starting at 6 am. We have cut the hours to 6:00 to 11:30. The first shift is 6 to 9 and the second shift is 9 to 11:30. We need help in the dining room on both shifts and the second shift in the kitchen. We will need help with Clean Up as well. Looking for volunteers to assist us and the women are certainly welcome to help us where they can. Please call Rob Whitesides, Ted Ivy, Artie Lawless, or Wayne Horner for any help you can provide. This is all for a good cause.

SILENT AUCTION to benefit FUMCBV



A 17' Bayliner Capri has been donated to the church to be auctioned off between now and the UMM Pancake Breakfast. There are specification sheets in the office. You can bid on this beautiful vessel using a bid form or by e-mailing your bid to: fumcbv@lovelearnlead.com between now and NOON 10/19. Minimum starting bid is \$750. The winner will be announced on October 20th. May the best sailor win!

THE ANGEL TREE will be up in the hallway at the end of October. There will be cards for 45 needy girls and boys. Let's help these children have a nice Christmas by taking all the cards from the tree. Shepherd Groups, Circles, and other groups are invited to go together to fulfill the wishes of a child. Watch your bulletin for more information!



OCTOBER LAY LEADER'S MESSAGE

Several of us just got back from the Leadership Institute in Kansas City, at the Church of the Resurrection, and it was a fantastic meeting. I attended a couple of seminars on Church Revitalization and Church Governance. We heard some dynamic speakers, and over 1,800 people were in attendance from around the world. We found out that our church is not alone. All churches are having the same problems we are, such as declining membership and an older laity.

A very important question was answered for me when we discussed, "Who does the church belong to?" How wonderful to know that it is GOD'S church!

I know we need to reaffirm our purpose and mission of First United Methodist Church of Bella Vista and to get past the way things are and get to the way things could be.

I want to work with all our members as we become Bridge Builders. If we are going to experience the Kingdom of God, it might as well be right here at FUMCBV. We need to think outside the box and as they say, "If you change the way you think, you will change the way you act."

God Bless everyone, Lou Kaufmann

Wesley Shepherd Group will begin their 3rd annual Christmas Card Project for our homebound members on Sunday, October 14. The cards will be delivered the first week of December.



They are asking for each family to please fill out a box of cards with each of your name(s) on each card and leave in the Christmas box in the narthex.

Please sign a card provided on the tables at each church entrance EVERY TIME you come to church. This would be on Sunday morning, Wednesday night Manna, and any other time you are at the church during the week.

If you have any individual or boxed Christmas cards you will not be using this year, please bring to Church and leave on the missions table in the narthex. These will be used for the members to sign when coming into the church each week.

Please do not seal the envelopes. We will need to see inside each card so they can be divided between all the persons receiving them without them receiving duplicate cards.

Please remember to wear your name tags at all church events and activities. This will give our newer members an easier time of learning your name, and you theirs. If you see someone you do not know, introduce yourself and welcome them to FUMCBV

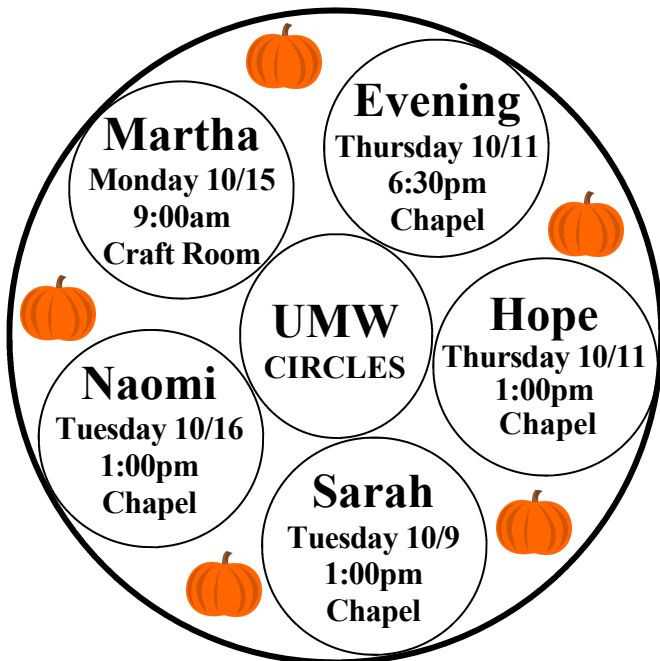


← Do you know what this is? Come to the UMW Bazaar to find out!

UMW BAZAAR

We are officially in our final days of preparing for the 2018 Holiday Bazaar. For at least nine months workers have logged many hours at church and at home creating hundreds of one-of-a-kind treasures to be sold at this year's bazaar. The bazaar will be held on Saturday, October 6 from 8:00 am to 2:00pm. You will not find better workmanship than from the talented women, and men, of this church. Most of the proceeds from the Bazaar will be used to help fund worthy organizations in our community, particularly those that provide for the cares and needs of women and children.

If you can find the time, please come help set up from Wednesday through Friday, and take down to get ready for Sunday starting at 2:30 on Saturday, the 6th.



MISSIONS

October Mission of the Month



The Children's Advocacy Center of Benton County (CAC) opened January 10, 2000 to provide a safe place to serve sexually, and physically abused children in a supportive child friendly environment. At the CAC abused children and their families can receive the support needed to deal with the abuse. We are available to serve all Benton County child abuse victims under age 18 after a report has been made to the child abuse hotline.

Services provided are:

- ✧ A child-friendly and non-threatening environment
- ✧ Trained forensic interviewers
- ✧ Specialized Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner and an on-site medical exam room
- ✧ Child advocates to assess family needs and provide follow-up, support, and referral services
- ✧ On-site counselors available to meet with the child and non-offending family members
- ✧ All services at no charge to the family
- ✧ A child-friendly and non-threatening environment

In 2016 the CAC opened 950 cases; conducted 976 forensic interviews; performed 230 forensic medical exams, provided 2,116 counseling sessions to children and their families and facilitated training and education events to 9,213 people.

Your support of October's Mission of the Month makes a huge difference these children.

Mission Opportunity

Wouldn't you like to spend a few days in beautiful Eureka Springs this fall?

We have a new Volunteer In Mission site in Eureka Springs called Echo Village. This is a homeless community which when completed will have 26 homes as well as other amenities within the village. Phase 1 is currently under construction with 8 houses in different phases of completion. We are seeking willing volunteers to come and spend a day or two or a week helping complete the existing houses.

This would be a great opportunity for families or volunteers of all ages to come and be a part of what God is doing in this community.

Contact Suzie and Dan Bell or Byron Mann for more details and to schedule a mission journey to one of the most beautiful places in the Ozark Mountains of Arkansas.

Suzie & Dan Bell email: mightywarriorrocks@yahoo.com

Byron Mann email: vim@arumc.org



From the Organ Console
Broc Hite
 Organist/Associate Director of Music

September was a great month for music at First Methodist. Music Appreciation Sunday was in the middle of the month, which this year was concluded by the Autumn Leaves Piano Recital. It turns out that there can be too much of a good thing, since attendance was pretty sparse at my recital! However, those who were there were enthusiastic in their support of the event. I even had a friend and her husband from the Artist INC fellowship program I attended this spring! In return, she drew a beautiful sketch that you can see posted to my professional Facebook and Instagram accounts!

If you really wanted to attend, but didn't, never fear! I am repeating most of the program, with a couple of tweaks, on Sunday, October 14, at 3 p.m. However, it won't be here — you'll have to drive to Central Methodist on the corner of 26th Street and New Hope Road in Rogers. It's home to the Shepherd Music School, where I teach piano during the week. I'd love to see you mixed in the crowd with families from the school and a brand new audience in my hometown.

I'm writing this before the Autumn Leaves Voice Recital takes place on September 30th. Based on preparation, the event promises to be a success. My work for October re-focuses back on the organ, with two separate themes. For preludes, I'll continue playing arrangements by Dale Wood. For postludes, the theme is combinations! I'm not talking about stop combinations, where you match a principal with flute and strings, but rather like a chicken sandwich, waffle fries, and an unsweetened tea! I can see a few folks who have spotted me at my favorite hangout on West Walnut nodding their heads! In music, this would be like Prelude and Fugue, Toccata and Fugue, and Theme and Variations!

On Sunday, October 27th, the theme will be scary music, just in time for Halloween. The prelude will be on the piano - Gounod's *Funeral March of a Marionette*. For the postlude, was this ever in doubt? Toccata and Fugue in D minor by a pretty famous member of the Bach family.

Just a quick reminder to check out the Concerts page on my Website in order to find out more about my October 14th piano recital in Rogers, as well as everything else I'm doing both inside and outside of these walls!

On the Web: <https://brochite.com>

On Facebook and Instagram: @BrocKeysPedals Broc



Book Nook

LARGE-PRINT FICTION:

LITTLE BIG LOVE by Katy Regan
 10 year old Zac collects facts but no one will tell him the one thing he wants to know most: who his father is and where he went.

THE RECIPE BOX by Viola Shipman
 Sam begins to learn about and understand the women in her life, her family's history and her passion for food through their treasured recipe box.

COTTAGE BY THE SEA by Debbie Macomber
 Annie begins to restore her broken spirit thanks to the folks she meets at a favorite family vacation spot.

A NANTUCKET WEDDING by Nancy Thayer
 Blending a family may not be as simple as Alison and David had hoped.

THE DYING OF THE LIGHT by Robert Goolrick
 A marriage of convenience may affect the offspring of that union.

FICTION:

THE SISTER CIRCLE by Vonette Bright
 Seven unlikely women with one unbreakable bond.
THE CHRISTMAS ANGEL PROJECT by Melody Carlson

THANK YOU

A NOTE of thanks.

On behalf of all the church's musicians, I would like to say "Thank You" and "Bless You" to everyone who helped to organize, prepare and serve the delicious brunch that we enjoyed on Music Appreciation Sunday. Darleen O'Brien, Sandy Fitch, Janet Walton, Sue Nebrig, Cheryl Campbell, Diane Verville and Mabel Ashline; you certainly know that the way to a musician's heart really and truly is through their stomachs. We are so fortunate to serve a congregation where our ministry of music is appreciated and rewarded.

Thank you all,

Larry Zehring, Director of Music Ministries



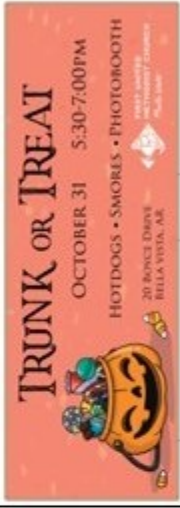
The SPRC Committee wishes to thank everyone who participated in the Staff Appreciation project. We hope you enjoyed honoring your staff person and we are sure the staff enjoyed receiving your gifts, cards, money or whatever you decided to do to make them feel special. You may continue to provide uplifting messages to your staff person or you may discontinue the contact at this time. We may try it again in the future. A huge thank you to all of you.

October Newsletter ~ 2018 Financial Data

as of September 30, 2018		2018 Actual	2018 Budget
Month to date	Receipts	\$46,245	\$41,978
	Expense	\$45,039	\$45,526
	Difference	\$ 1,206	(\$3,548)
Year to Date	Receipts	\$413,084	\$377,805
	Expense	\$422,787	\$409,738
	Difference	(\$9,703)	(\$31,933)

Amy Gilmore, Church Administrator

October 2018

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
7	RP ✓ Between Services 7:30 Praise Tm rehrs! 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Srv 3:00 Wesley Series Cnd	8	Men's Golf - Sctsd 9:00 DAR 10:30 Staff Mtng 12:30 Women's Chorus 1:00 Friends of Christ 5:30 Abram Shphrd grp 6:00 Venture Crew-BSA 6:00 Disciple I 6:00 Nominations Team 6:30 Girl Scouts 6:30 By the Book AA 6:30 Men's Chorus	9	9:00 PEO-BR 9:33 Men's Golf-Berkso 1:00 Sarah Circle 5:30 Grief Support 6:00 Scouts 6:00 Trustees	10	8:00 Quilters 9:00 Calico Newbies 9:00 Disciple II 4:45 Chancel Choir 5:30 Manna Dinner 6:30 Manna Classes 6:30 YouthLife	11	9:30 Missions Team 10:42 Men's golf-Scotsd 1:00 Hope Circle 4:00 Small Grp leaders 6:00 Evening Circle	12	8:30 Men's Emmaus 9:00 Jesus in Gospels 10:00 Prayer Shawl 11:30 PreSchool Brd	13	8:30 Amp Big Book 6:00 Broc rehearse
14	CHILDREN'S SABBATH 7:30 Praise Team Rehr! 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Service 12:00 Media Training	15	CARE & SHARE TRAILER 8:59 Men's Golf-BVCC 9:00 Martha Circle 10:30 Staff Meeting 11:00 PEO-CD 12:30 Women's Chorus 6:00 Disciple I 6:00 Venture Crew 6:30 By the Book AA 6:30 Men's Chorus 6:30 Girl Scouts	16	9:33 Men's Golf-Sctsd 12:00 Lunch w/Pastors 1:00 BV Book Club 1:00 Naomi Circle 5:00 Solos-Am Legion 5:30 Grief Support 6:00 Scouts-Becker Hal	17	8:00 Quilters 9:00 Disciple II 10:00 Shephrd Grp Ldrs 3:15 Chancel Bells 4:45 Chancel Choir 5:30 Manna Dinner 6:30 Youth Life	18	12:06 Men's Golf-BVCC 1:30 J Dittmer Service 2:30 Emmaus Btful Cirs	19	UMM PANCAKE DAY 6:00 - 11:30 	20	8:30 Amp Big Book 9:30 Avalon Shep Grp 10:00 SAR 6:00 Broc rehearse
21	7:00 Handbell Rehears 7:30 Praise Team Rehr! 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Service	22	8:59 Men's Golf-Dogwd 9:00 Calico Cut-ups 10:30 Staff Meeting 12:30 Women's Chorus 1:30 Friends of Christ 6:00 Disciple I 6:30 By the Book AA 6:30 Men's Chorus 6:30 Girl Scouts	23	8:58 Men's Golf-Hghln 9:00 Calico Workshop 3:00 BV Library Board 5:30 Grief Support 6:00 Scouts-Becker Hal	24	8:00 Quilters 9:00 Calico Dog Beds 9:00 Disciple II 9:00 UMW Finance 3:15 Chancel Bells 4:00 Prayer Mtg 4:45 Chancel Choir 5:30 Midweek Manna 6:30 Youth Life	25	10:07 Men's Golf-BVCC 4:00 Small Grp Ldrs	26	8:30 Men's Emmaus 9:00 Jesus in Gospels 10:00 Prayer Shawl	27	SAGER BROWN MISSION TRIP 8:30 Amp Big Book 6:00 Broc rehearse
28	7:30 Praise Team Rehr! 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Service 12:15 Coffee/Pastors 3:00 C Danielson Gosp	29	Men's Golf-BVCC 10:30 Staff Meeting 12:00 Womn's Chris-Parl 12:30 Women's Chorus 6:00 Disciple I 6:00 Venture Crew BSA 6:30 By the Book AA 6:30 Men's Chorus 6:30 Girl Scouts	30	11:49 Men's Golf-BVCC 5:30 Grief Support 6:00 Scouts	31	8:00 Quilters 9:00 Disciple II 3:15 Chancel Bells 4:00 Prayer Mtg 4:45 Chancel Choir 5:30 TRUNK or TREAT	1	SAGER BROWN MISSION TRIP ~ October 27th through November 3rd				
6	UMW BAZAAR 8:00-2:00 		8:30 Men's Emmaus 9:00 Jesus in Gospels 10:00 Prayer Shawl		8:30 Men's Emmaus 9:00 Jesus in Gospels 10:00 Prayer Shawl		8:30 Men's Emmaus 9:00 Jesus in Gospels 10:00 Prayer Shawl		8:30 Men's Emmaus 9:00 Jesus in Gospels 10:00 Prayer Shawl		8:30 Amp Big Book 6:00 Broc rehearse		
													



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To the Home of ...



United Methodist Women 41st Annual HOLIDAY BAZAAR

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6
8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

**Autumn & Holiday Decorations
Plants & Garden Accessories
Books, Handcrafted Items
Dignified Discards
Baked Items**

**Homemade Orange & Cinnamon Rolls
8:00 a.m.**

Luncheon available at 10:30 a.m.

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Pancake Day

**Friday, October 19
6:00am-11:30pm**

**Pancakes, Ham or Sausage,
Applesauce, Drink**

\$6.00 per person

Children 5 and under ~ free

Tickets can be bought from
any UMM member,
in the Church Office,
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