



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of BELLA VISTA

The Good News

September 2017

Midweek Manna

Wednesday Nights at FUMC Bella Vista
Something for Everyone ~ Please Join Us!

MEAL

5:30 – 6:15PM

Suggested Donation:

\$5/Adult & \$3/Child under 10

Family maximum \$15

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

CHILDCARE AVAILABLE

For Infants and Toddlers

Pre-K ~ 6th Grade

Led by Angie Rader, Dir of Children's Ministries

Bible Basics: Each week the children will learn books of the Bible through Bible stories, memorization of scripture, and song.

If needed,
time for homework is provided.

YouthLife

7th ~ 12th grade

Dinner: 5:30 - 6:15

YouthLife in Youth Room: 6:30 - 7:30

GROUPS MEET

6:30 – 7:30/7:45PM

Small Study Groups

- ◇ Invitation to the Old Testament
Rev. Jeanne
- ◇ Elder-Care
Pastor Brenda
- ◇ The Shack-Movie & Study
Wanda Williams
- ◇ Women's Bible Study
Amy Gilmore
- ◇ Technology for Seniors
9/13~ Android Tips & Tricks
9/27 ~ Church Technology (LAVV)
Alan Yount

In October: Disaster Preparedness, "Half Truths", & "Israel, A Journey Through Time"

Small Craft Groups

- ◇ Color Your Way to Calm:
Adult Coloring
- ◇ UMW Bazaar Crafts
Coming soon: Card Making & Mosaic Crosses

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



Glimpses of Grace

Rev. Jeanne Williams, Senior Pastor

I love September! The days start to become cooler, leaves start to turn beautiful colors, and the football fans become crazed. I would know since I am one of those crazed football fans! There's just something about cheering for something that in the end really has no consequence on my life. Now, I know some of you ... the outcome of the game on Saturday or Sunday *does* have consequences on your life! In fact, I was at a meeting recently where I heard that depending on how the Razorbacks do on Saturday, attendance and offering amounts will increase or decrease. I'm not surprised, but a little saddened that a football game has that much power over us.

All of this got me to thinking: what if some of us put as much energy into our relationship with Jesus as we do to support our sports teams? We buy season tickets, the new merchandise, NFL Sunday Ticket on our televisions, membership into VIP clubs, give alumni gifts, and scream passionately at our televisions with great and horrible plays. It's fun. Plain and simple – it's fun to cheer for our team and profess our allegiances. (We have MANY different team allegiances in our congregation, by the way!)

When was the last time you thought of your relationship with God as being fun? Or were we passionate about the work of God in someone's life? Or wildly professed our allegiance to Christ by any number of ways? If it takes you more than a few seconds to come up with an answer, you might consider why.

This month, in worship, we will be studying Rules of Life. These are ways to practice daily discipleship and how to structure your life so that you are following Christ at all times. In October, we will have a month-long Stewardship Campaign called *Discipleship: Serving God with our Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service, and Witness*. In these two months, we will intensely focus on our discipleship and how we can deepen our relationship with God in numerous ways.

One of my prayers is that we don't view our Christian life as outside of our "normal" life. That they are one and the same. I can call the Hogs, yell, "War Eagle!" for my Auburn Tigers, and pray all with the same voice and same passion! I hope you can, too!

Please join us in worship this month as we think about how we view life! Oh, and Go, Hogs! and War Eagle!

Blessings,

Rev. Jeanne



JOINING in the JOURNEY TOGETHER

Rev. Brenda Wideman, Associate Pastor

Are you Being Called to Share the Love of Christ as a CCM?

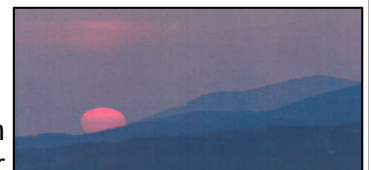
And again Jesus said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." And Jesus replied, "Tend my sheep." (John 21:16 NRSV)

This past June, the Congregational Care Ministry (CCM) was begun when a core of four CCM's were commissioned at Sunday Worship. They were given authority to work on behalf of the church and in partnership with the pastors to care for the Lord's sheep within our church family. CCM's have a heart for God's people which is rooted in their strong heart for our Lord. Caring which a CCM shares is more than giving a ride, taking a meal, sending a card. It involves creating a relationship of trust, compassion, and encouragement with another. In our broken world, this caring involves joining in the journey with another, regardless of the type of journey. Through this relationship of trust and compassion on the shared journey, space is made for God to be present. CCM's have no agenda but to share the love of Christ in the lives of others and to make a space for God to act.

CCM's spend time together in study of the theology of care and of prayer, in study of listening and boundaries, and in understanding of hospital and in-home visitation. They grow spiritually and relationally with each other. They bond as a ministry team in their discussions and in the training they receive at the Church of the Resurrection in Kansas City. Once commissioned, CCM's, under the direction of the pastors, reach out to those in our church family who need the Lord's care through visits, phone calls, prayers, and having someone to walk with them through life's struggles. If you feel you are being called to this type of ministry, I invite you to complete a Congregational Care Minister Assessment form which can be found at our website, lovelearnlead.com (see Congregational Care Ministry under the Ministries menu), or in the church office. Once completed, these can be electronically sent to Pastor Brenda at brenda@lovelearnlead.com or dropped by the church office. You may also mail these to: FUMCBV, 20 Boyce Drive, Bella Vista, AR 72715 Attn: Pastor Brenda. If you are so led, I hope you will prayerfully consider joining in the journey to tend the Lord's sheep and in echoing the chorus, "Here I am Lord, I will hold your people in my heart."

Blessings, *Pastor Brenda*

When Mourning Dawns: Living Your Way Fully through the Seasons of Your Grief



We invite you to travel a 9-week journey through the experiences of grief from the withering of Autumn to the hopeful new growth of Summer. Our group journey began Tuesday, August 22 and continues through October 24. It will be held from 5:30-7:00pm in the Chapel. Come join us and bring a friend who would also benefit from this. A donation of \$10 for the materials is welcomed. Please sign up in the church office. You are welcome to join us.



MAKING CONNECTIONS

Amy Gilmore,

Director of Community Life & Connections

Thank you to everyone who helped with the "Watermelon and Hot Dog Bash." Even with our move from

Tanyard Creek to Becker Hall due to rain, we had a great turnout. The firemen had as much fun as the kids, though I am a little worried about what they did with the watermelons the UMM gave them!

As I write this, Midweek Manna has not yet started, but I am looking forward to our first week back in action. If you have not yet attended, but are interested, please come. You are welcome to join classes already in progress, or some of them are stand alone classes with something new each week. If you have an idea for a class, please bring it to me. We may be able to incorporate it this fall or put it on the schedule after the first of the year. Also, I am always looking for people to lead classes. What a great way to share your gifts for a week or a few weeks. Your commitment to lead is only as long as the study itself. We have had such a great response to keeping Manna going and it is because of you and your participation.

I am starting to work on the EOIM (Every One In Ministry) catalog for our stewardship campaign. It should be no surprise that along with a new pastor we will have some changes to the catalog. This means new and exciting opportunities for you. Please – when you receive the catalog, look it over carefully and read the descriptions, so you know what you are signing up for. Also, please prayerfully consider signing up for something new. We love seeing familiar faces greet us Sunday mornings or pass us the offering plate, but we also love seeing different faces because that means other members are getting involved. We truly have something for everyone, and it takes *everyone* to make this church all that it is.

By wisdom a house is built, and through understanding it is established; through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures. Proverbs 24:3-4.

Amy G

VISTA KIDS

Angie Rader,
Director of Children's Ministries



Well, summer is almost over. What a great summer we have had in Vista Kids. VBS, Back-to-School Pool Party, and Watermelon and Hotdog Bash. They were all so much fun and we had great turnouts for each one. Thank you so much for all who came and helped with each event. The Support is truly amazing.

We just had our first Mid-Week Manna and what a turn out! We had 15 kids. I am so proud of them. We went over the Old Testament song and reviewed what we had learned last year. They did a great job. School has started. Thanks to all the parents for showing their pictures of the kids on their first day.

I loved them. We are having a **Parent Meeting on Sunday, September 26th at 11 am**. We will provide lunch for families and then dismiss the children to downstairs so we can talk about some events and get your opinion about Sunday School. This is an important meeting and we do want your input on this. Please plan on being there. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call or talk to me anytime. It is such a pleasure to work with your children.

God Bless and have a great day.

In his Service, *Ms. Angie*





SNACK PACKS for BACK PACKS

is our on-going mission to provide 20 snack packs per week for students of Cooper Elementary who are in need of food for the week-end. Two "Goat Banks" are out in the hallways across from the Library and the Meals-on-Wheels entrance. Your quarters are needed for us to successfully continue this much needed program. If you would like to "adopt" a Back Pack to be filled every week, your donation of \$5.00 per month will be used for this purpose. Please make out a check to FUMCBV and in the memo write "Back Pack monthly donation". Thank you for your continued generosity as we fill the banks with quarters!



**Bring your
quarters !**

Fill the Banks !

Feed a Child !

Beautiful Colors Emmaus Group

. . . will meet Thursday, September 21 at 2:30pm, in the Chapel. Please wear your colorful name tag you were given. Also please bring the book called Worship Booklet for Pilgrims. There is no one leader for this program. We volunteer to guide a meeting. Then someone else volunteers for the next meeting. We only meet once a month (on the third Thursday) and we are open to all who have completed an Emmaus Walk or a Face to Face Encounter. If you have any questions, please contact Darleen O'Brien.

DOORS!

It has only been a year since we began our *NEW DOOR CAMPAIGN!* In that time we raised nearly \$40,000 and installed many badly needed new doors to replace our 30-to-40-year-old doors. Through your generosity, we now have doors for which we can be proud, and which should last us many years to come. Several of our members contributed funds for a full door, and many made generous contributions, which added together made the total we needed. We would like to recognize those who contributed a full door, and please know that *everyone* who made a donation is so appreciated for the beauty you have brought to FUMCBV!

Those who contributed a full door:

Rod & Arlene Alford
 Richard & Karen Bacon
 Jim Belcoff
 Jim & Judy Bilyeu
 Dennis & Marilyn Cox
 Judy Duncan
 Jack & Kay Dunn
 Linus & Jeanette Faber
 Harmony Ford Family
 Tim & Christy Harris
 Tom & Molly Harris
 Ruth Ireland
 Bob & Shirley Kennedy
 Jack & Jan Kolbe
 Jeneda Mickelson
 Nancy Spangler
 UMM
 Shirley Weed
 Ann Williams, in honor of her parents
 Clarence & Harriet Williams
 Alan Yount

*Thank you one and all!
 You are truly Being the Church.*



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



Lora Burch — officially became a part of our church family on the last Sunday in July. She has moved to Bella Vista from Goodman, Missouri, but she has lived all over the US and even in Japan. She is a retired college counselor and loves to hike, swim, read, and do community service. She has become a very active part of

our community, even helping with VBS. She attends the 10:45 service. Please welcome Lora when you see her.

Andrew, Rachel, and Joey Smith — have become associate members, worshipping with us while Andrew teaches and travels through the ordination process of the UMC. They have been visiting for a while and came to our Watermelon and Hot Dog Celebration and Joey had a wonderful time. They live in Centerton and are currently attending the Well service. Be sure to say 'welcome' to this new family.



MILESTONES

Helen Randolph — was married to Clinton Mason on Saturday, July 29th at Cooper Chapel at 2:00pm. Her son-in-law, Tim Harris officiated. Congratulations to Helen and Clinton and please lift their love and their joy in your prayers.



Viola Aandahl — celebrated her 100th birthday at her daughter, Fay's, home on Saturday, August 19th, surrounded by family and friends. Judy Bilyeu, UMW President, presented *Viola with FUMCBV friends* Viola with a Special Recognition pin and certificate on behalf of all United Methodist Women. She also received a prayer shawl, a photo of the church, and flowers from her FUMCBV friends. It was a wonderful celebration with Viola.



Dale Veach — celebrated his 90th birthday on Wednesday, August 16th. The church family celebrated with him at worship and through donations to the Prayer Shawl ministry. What a wonderful milestone!



OUR FAMILY

Keith and Co Ellen Sterwald—celebrated two new great-grandsons with flowers in the Well Service August 13th: Barrington Robert Henkel, born July 27th, and Jack James Jatzcak born August 1st. Even at so young an age, they are already bonding as cousins. Congratulations to the proud great-grandparents!



IN MEMORIAM

Long-time member Marjorie J Smith, 98, died Wednesday, July 12th in Hutchison, Kansas. She and her husband, Ivan, were active and faithful members of FUMCBV from the time they joined in 1991 until they moved many years later to be close to family. Ivan passed away in 2007. They had been married for 61 years. Cards may be sent to their daughter, Ivalee Vanderhoff, P.O. Box 295, Halstead, KS 67056.

ACTIVITIES COMING in September

SUNRISE SHEPHERD GROUP will meet at the Prueitt's home on Saturday, September 2 at 2:00 p.m. for ice cream sundaes. Please call 876-5753 if you are able to attend.

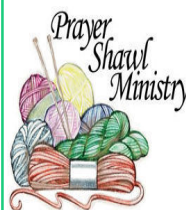
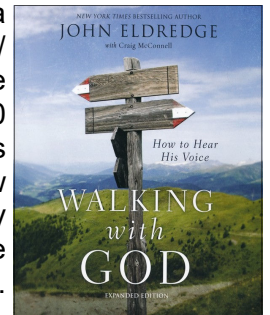
YOUNG AT HEART SHEPHERD GROUP will meet at 5:15 p.m. in Becker Hall and stay for the Midweek Manna dinner on Wednesday, September 6th. All members will need to sign up for the meal by the Sunday, September 3rd in the church office.

Remembering God's Faithfulness—SEEKER'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS invites you to join them as they begin a new unit about God's covenants with His people from Noah to Jesus. They meet Sunday morning at 9:30 in Room 6. Bring your cup of coffee and join the discussions.

SOLOS—Nancy Spangler and Maryann Johnson will host the September meeting on Sunday, September 10th at 2:00pm in the Highland Park Club House (near St. Bernard Catholic Church)! It has been a while so we hope we will have a good turnout! We will have a light lunch and dessert with activities to follow. We need to know how many are going to attend, so please call Nancy at 876-6751 or e-mail her at nanlew3215@att.net or Maryann at 721-9987 or e-mail her at drmajohnson@att.net.

BELIEVERS SHEPHERD GROUP will meet in the Chapel on Sunday, September 24th about 5:00pm for a time of fellowship, immediately following the Community Band Concert which is performing in Becker Hall at 3:00pm.

FRIENDS OF CHRIST—a fairly new Bible Study/Fellowship group meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday from 1:30 -3:00 in the Chapel. This month they are starting a new study, *Walking with God* by John Eldredge. This is more than a Sunday School class. Come join these friendly folks!



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

will resume meeting Tuesday, September 6th from 10:00am-11:00am in room 6. Come for an hour of visiting and stitching. Please bring your completed projects from the summer hiatus. Any questions, please contact Jeneda Mickelson.

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL WRITERS WANTED

Advent will be here before we know it. Writers are needing to be identified as soon as possible. Please prayerfully consider this and give Pastor Brenda a call at 855-1158 or email at brenda@lovelearnlead.com.

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Frank & Marilyn Kostal
- 15 Dave & Anny Weber
- 16 Ron & Julie Buker
- 17 Dave & Lynn Broers

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Payton Fitchue
- 1 Edward Parham
- 2 Marilyn Kostal
- 2 Verla Shafman
- 3 Karen Dove
- 4 Dawn Thompson
- 5 Shannon Wicker
- 7 Kayla Wicker
- 8 Herb Ayres
- 9 Trudy Baird
- 9 Martha Grant
- 10 Wayne Horner
- 10 Ginger Hudson
- 10 Wayne Parham
- 10 Bill Shank
- 11 Suzanne Chilton
- 11 Billy Jerman
- 11 Norma McLain
- 12 Julie Buker
- 12 Connie Clark
- 12 Wayne Hubbert
- 12 Nona Storck
- 13 Donna Gaudet
- 13 Syble Highfill
- 14 Nathan Forst
- 14 Jan Lowe

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS (CONT'D)**

- 15 Joyce Connell
- 15 Peggy Henault
- 16 Karen Bacon
- 16 Sandra Duden
- 16 Johnny Rayburn
- 18 Gary Tomlinson
- 19 Harry Mount
- 20 Jaimie Alexander
- 20 Chloe Jorgensen
- 20 Maxine Paullin
- 21 Patsy Attaway
- 22 Shirley Davenport
- 22 Amy ☺ Fulton
- 23 Patricia Brannon
- 23 Julia Crider
- 23 Aggie Danenhauer
- 23 Greg Franklin
- 24 Kitty Polich
- 25 Hallee Johnson
- 25 Brennon McCarthy
- 25 Diane Verville
- 26 Piper Engle
- 26 Glenna Pickens
- 26 Stan Robinson
- 26 Karen Roenfeld
- 27 Eldon Cox
- 27 Scott Drindak
- 27 Georgiana Green
- 27 Michael Parham
- 28 Matthew Pearson
- 30 Carol Cheek
- 30 Cathy Wilmoth





UNITED METHODIST



AUGUST DINNER MEETING

Our program for the September meeting is about Hospice. Nancy Desler and Coleen Gast will be our speakers and will give a good introduction to what Hospice is all about.

When my first wife was diagnosed with cancer, she was given weeks to months to live. She was 51 and I was 56. Age did not have anything to do with her illness. A lady I knew came to see me and explain how they would be available to assist me and my family during this time. I said "No, we can handle it ourselves". Little did I know what Hospice was about and it wasn't until my father needed them and my second wife when she was diagnosed with cancer did I understand. They were there to help and they did. Hospice can be very important in our lives when illnesses come about in the family, and can make our lives a lot easier and comfortable in those trying times.

DINNER MENU

Rhythm & Q will be catering our dinner and the menu includes Herb Roasted Pork Tenderloin, Yukon Potatoes, Broccoli cheese casserole, Tomato Cucumber Salad, Pasta Salad, and Key Lime Bars for dessert. Please make your reservations early and no later than Monday, September 11. Remember, if you say "yes" and don't show, the UMM has to pay for it. For Reservations, call Lou at 366-1291 or email at lou@krrealty.com or call the church office.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Our next Pancake Breakfast is Friday, October 20. We will be having a Committee meeting on Friday, September 15 to get started on all that has to be done. The chairmen will be notified and if you desire to attend, please call Lou at 366-1291.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP AWARD

A committee has been formed to select a recipient for the Life Membership Award. This award is for that special gentleman in our Church who does so much and not many really know what he does do. His mission to the Church is all that he does and this award is for him. Is that you?



United Methodist Women
FAITH • HOPE • LOVE IN ACTION

U M W FALL LUNCHEON

The U M W luncheon will be on Wednesday, September 27th at 11:45 in Becker Hall. Our program will be presented by Bella Vista's Fire Chief, Steve Sims, and an E M T representative. They will be telling us about precautions that all of us need to know to better take care of our health and safety in our homes, when to call 911, and when to hopefully alert family or friends. A medley of 3 salads, fruit, dessert, and roll will be served. Cost of the luncheon is \$7.00 and the deadline for making reservations is Sunday, September 24th. Please sign up in your circle or call Sue Nebrig at 855-9269 to make reservations. **ALL MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION AND GUEST ARE WELCOME.**

Circles are back in the swing of things!

Sarah
Tuesday 9/12
1pm ~ Chapel

Evening
Thursday 9/14
6:00pm ~ Chapel

UMW CIRCLES

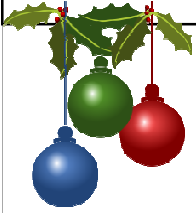
Naomi
Tuesday 9/19
1:00pm ~Chapel

Hope
Thursday 9/14
1pm ~ Chapel

Martha
Monday 9/18
9am ~ Quilt Rm



UMW



UMW Bazaar

We are officially in our final month of preparing for the 2017 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 7, from 8:30 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.

This month will be extra busy as all church members are invited to come and help:

Sign Up Sheets are located in Becker Hall on the UMW Bulletin Board and in the hallway between Becker Hall and the Chapel. On one sheet you can sign up to help on the day of the bazaar in one of the many areas of need. On the other sheet you can sign up to bake a pie for the kitchen Dining area. You can also sign up to bake a pie, bread, or other homemade items to be sold in the Country Kitchen.

Please check the UMW Craft table in Becker Hall near the UMW bulletin board to see if there is a sewing or needlework project you can complete before the bazaar.

You will find a receptacle in the Narthex and at the outside entrance to Becker Hall for you to bring paper or plastic bags of varying sizes to be used in the bagging area on bazaar day.

And finally, plants for sale at the Garden Center can be brought to the hallway between the Sanctuary and Becker Hall beginning the Sunday just before the bazaar.

Happy Shopping!

August 5th was a busy day at church. UMW held another successful rummage sale, where we welcomed the community into our building, shared our treasures, enjoyed coffee and rolls or lunch and then packed up the remaining merchandise and sent it off to Care and Share. My heart overflows with gratitude to all who made this all happen. So regardless of how you participated, know it was appreciated.

We realized just over \$4300.00 in profits. As most know, this money will go to local charities supported by the UMW.

Blessings, *Co-Ellen Sterwald*, Rummage Sale Chair

MISSIONS



September

MISSION of the MONTH

Red Bird Mission and Clinic have been providing ministries in this region of the Appalachian Mountains since 1921. 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.

The Education ministries are carried out through a K-12 school and an early childhood development program for 3 and 4 year-old children. These education ministries provide the opportunity for the children and youth of this community to get a quality education in a loving Christian environment empowering these young people with tools that will help them escape this cycle of poverty in which they are exposed to and live in daily.

Health and Wellness ministries are provided through medical and dental clinics providing quality health and dental care in an area that is chronically underserved. In addition to in-Clinic visits, our providers travel to the homes of our patients to provide care to those that are home-bound.

The other three areas of ministries provide a wide variety of services to the residents of this area. Volunteers in mission service come and help with the refurbishment of homes, low-cost clothing and furniture is provided through the community store and local crafter's wares are marketed to a wide area through the craft marketing ministry. A wide variety of ministries to families, older adults, women and children, and youth make their lives fuller and help them receive the assistance they need to make their lives a bit more livable.

Support for these ministries come from churches and individuals across the nation. Over the years the Mission has enjoyed wide support in The United Methodist Church as well as from other denominations. Your donations to Red Bird Mission and Clinic will help us continue these vital ministries in this distressed region of Appalachia.



MISSIONS



PAK A SAK

September's collection of pantry food will be delivered to Havenwood in Bentonville. Havenwood is a non-profit home for women and children trying to turn around their and their children's lives. Their emergency food pantry is in need of all types of **READY TO HEAT AND EAT ITEMS**. Items needed are soup, chili, stew, pasta, tuna, spam, mac&cheese, peanut butter, cereal, and canned fruit.

SHOEBOX MINISTRIES

We are starting to fill Sunshine Sacks for the 2017-2018 school year for Cooper Elementary students.. These sacks are filled by the Martha Circle each month with toiletry items such as soap, toothpaste, a toothbrush, lotion, and shampoo. They are given to students who are eligible for the snack pack program.



If you have a circle or group that would like to help with one of these programs please contact us. It can be a one time any time meeting. We will meet your schedule Evenings, Saturdays or Sundays.. Youth groups are more than welcome. We need you ~ and those who are homeless, or just in need of a little extra help need you. Please feel free to call Cheryl Campbell 876-5172, Karen Roenfeld (712) 249-2521, or Diane Cox 925-0988.

As always in His service,

The Shoebox Ministry Team

PRAYER REQUESTS

As a church family we lift each other up in prayer for both our collective joys and our concerns. Prayer requests should be sent to Brenda Wideman at brenda@lovelearnlead.com or 855-1158 or to Peggy Stout at pegdewitt@yahoo.com or 531-3433. You may also complete a Prayer Request Card in the Narthex or Becker Hall and drop it in the Prayer Boxes there. They are checked daily.

FLOOD NEWS

UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) is making an appeal for Health Kits and FUMCBV can help! Our gifts will bless the lives of people who are experiencing the trauma of loss and displacement from their homes. What a beautiful opportunity it is to be able to offer our help through such practical gifts. We have just until 9/10 to gather as many as possible.

We ask for people to bring their assembled health kits to the church through Sunday, September 10th. We'll have collection spots in the main Narthex and near Becker Hall. Please see the website below for health Kit instructions, or you can pick up a printed copy in the church office.

<http://www.umcor.org/ArticleDocuments/709/Hygiene%20Kit%20Assembly%20Instructions.pdf.aspx>

Richard & Linda Stewart will take all of the donations to our district collection point on 9/11. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated!!



Flood recovery teams are still needed in SE Arkansas. Southeast Arkansas continues to schedule teams to help with repairs needed as a result of the March 2016 floods. Projects are identified and funding secured, but volunteer help is little to none. When considering mission opportunities, please consider our neighbors in Southeast Arkansas. Several high priority cases are waiting. To volunteer, contact Ron Jones, site volunteer coordinator, at woodrat3@live.com or Janice Mann at disaster@arumc.org.



Book Hook

FICTION:

KISS THE GIRLS by James Patterson

A medical intern disappears in a college town.

ALONG CAME A SPIDER by James Patterson

A Psychopathic serial kidnapper/murderer is so terrifying that the FBI, the Secret Service, and the police cannot outsmart him.

FOUR BLIND MICE by James Patterson

New heights of mind-bending suspense, explosive action, and lightening fast plot twists.

THE JESTER by James Patterson

Hugh's son has been killed and his wife kidnapped in his absence.

CAT & MOUSE by James Patterson

Two killers, one in America and one in Europe, believes that Alex Cross is the only worthy opponent in the deadly game each has planned.

BIG GIRL by Danielle Steel

The author explores the issues of weight, self-image, sisterhood and family.

ROGUE by Danielle Steel

Maxine's ex-husband Blake causes problems with the new man in her life.

ONE DAY AT A TIME by Danielle Steel

A tale of three very different couples who struggle and survive, love laugh and learn to take life one day at a time.

BUNGALOW 2 by Danielle Steel

A story of one woman's journey from suburban mom to award winning screenwriter.

A GOOD WOMAN by Danielle Steel

A spellbinding tale of war, loss, history and one woman's unbreakable spirit.

MATTERS OF THE HEART by Danielle Steel

A story of one woman's journey from darkness into light as she fights to escape a mesmerizing sociopath.

THE GOOD GERMAN by Joseph Kanon

Set in post-war Berlin, a thriller about the end of one war and the beginning of another.

THE KING OF TORTS by John Grisham

Clay Carter stumbles on a conspiracy too horrible to believe.

THE LOST YEARS by Mary Higgins Clark

A discovery that, if authenticated, may be the most revered document in human history.

THE GIDS OF GUILT by Michael Connelly

Mickey Haller defends a murder case in which the victim was his former client.

THE COUNTERFEIT AGENT by Alex Berenson

With the threat of nuclear war between the U.S. and Iran skyrocketing, John Wells must use every skill at his command, including his ability to go undercover as an Arab.

TRUE BELIEVER by Nicholas Sparks
A love story that explores the deepest mysteries of all.... those of the heart.

A BEND IN THE ROAD by Nicholas Sparks

Mike Ryan's life seemed to end the day his wife was killed in a hit-and-run accident.

STARRY NIGHTS by Debbie Macomber

A Christmas Novel.

ROREY'S SECRET by Leisha Kelly

When all seems lost, out of the ashes redemption rises.

KATIE'S DREAM by Leisha Kelly

She wanted a father, they wanted the truth.

EMMA'S GIFT by Leisha Kelly

In a time of confusion in the mist of grief they discovered something beautiful.

BOOKS IN SERIES:

ABRAM'S DAUGHTERS SERIES by Beverly Lewis

Book 3: THE SACRIFICE

NON-FICTION:

FLIGHTS OF EAGLES by Jack Higgins (823)

Jack Higgins plunges readers into WWII intrigue.

THE BOOK OF DISCIPLINE OF THE UMC 2016

THE 36-HOUR DAY by Nancy L. Mace

A family guide to caring for persons with Alzheimer's Disease, related Dementing Illnesses, and memory loss in later life.

The purpose of the next three books is to give you faith, hope, and inspiration. Hopefully it will bring peace and tranquility into your life.

SHELTER FROM THE STORM by Jennifer Grimaldi

(242) **PATHWAY TO YOUR HEART** by Jennifer

Grimaldi (242) **TODAY'S JOY** by Jennifer Grimaldi (242)

SO HAPPINESS TO MEET YOU by Karin

Esterhammer (959.7) This book was written by the niece of Elaine Detlefsen. Here is Elaine's review of this book:

SO HAPPINESS TO MEET YOU tells the real life story of my nieces' family moving to Vietnam after she lost her dream job as a travel editor for the Los Angeles Times. Our family held our breath and prayed a lot for their safety during the 2 year stay. Thankfully, with e-mail we had great contact with their everyday life, including pictures of their home and neighborhood. I was thrilled to see this book published and the great reviews it is receiving. Maybe even a movie!

We thank Elaine for donating this book to our church library.



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

I can never get enough of the many voluntaries and contemplative pieces that have become associated with wedding music. I didn't get to feature as much as I would have liked since the Schubert Impromptus took up the postlude slot each week in August. So, for a second month, you will hear more of my favorites of the genre.

It seems like I can't be forgiven if I don't play Widor's Toccata on Easter Sunday, even though Jesus was not a Parisian living at the turn of the 20th century! For those who missed my playing it this year, it is the postlude on Music Appreciation Sunday, September 17th, and doubles in the wedding music category. Paired with it is the Adagio by Frank Bridge, one of the most hauntingly beautiful slow movements ever written for the organ.

Finally, I've come near the end of playing all of the pieces in Bach's Orgelbüchlein. This month features pieces Bach wrote based upon the catechism, used to instruct youth in the Christian faith. I'll wrap up the series in October, just before the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther nailing his 95 Theses to the door of the castle church in Wittenberg.

Broc


**MUSIC APPRECIATION
SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 17th**
**Hug your FUMCBV Musicians,
Choir Members, Praise Team!**

DISCIPLE

Becoming Disciples Through Bible Study

It is again time to sign up for Disciple Bible Study. This year we will be offering two Wednesday sessions, *Disciple II* at 9:00am in the Chapel and *Disciple IV* at 1:00pm in Room 6. To enroll in either, please fill out the registration form available on the desks in the Narthex and in Becker Hall and drop them in the baskets or in the office.

Disciple 1 will be available to those who are interested. This class is the foundation for all of the other Disciple classes, as it provides each learner with a sound knowledge of the Old and New Testaments – the basis for the other three studies. This class must be taken before you can enroll in any of the other Disciple classes. If you are interested in this session, please indicate so on your registration form.

Another opportunity is a continuation of Bible study from the Disciple program – *Christian Believer*, which will meet Friday mornings from 9:00 to 11:30 if there is enough interest..

All classes will begin in the third week of September and end in May.

If you have questions, please contact Alan Packard, 426-6211 or at owlsnest5855@sbcglobal.net



BV Community Band Concert

Sunday, September 24th
~ 3:00pm ~
Becker Hall

The Bella Vista Community Band will play their final concert of the season in Becker Hall on Sunday, September 24th at 3:00pm. This is always "standing room only" and a fun afternoon. Be sure to mark your calendar!



THANK YOU

We thank everyone so very much for their thoughts, prayers, cards, and calls through our rough vacation in Colorado with Ivan in and out of the hospital and in rehab. He is doing MUCH better and we hope to see you all soon.

Ivan & Merle Lantz

Dear FUMCBV,

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank the whole church for setting up the graduation event for me. I greatly appreciate everything the church did for me, from the recognition to the cake to the memory table. Thank you so much!

Much love and thanks, *Alexis Jorgensen*

Cooper Elementary School would like to say "Thank You" for the donation of school supplies. We have numerous students in need, and your donation is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Melissa Wood & Buddy Herndon,
counselors

Thank you so very much for your recent food donation to Care & Share. With the generosity of others we are able to keep our Food Pantry stocked and therefore pass that food on to those in need. May God bless!

Wilma Fladager

First United Methodist Church,
Words cannot express the thankfulness I have in my heart for your wonderful generosity and kindness during our time of grieving. The financial support and the AWESOME food and time the ladies gave to us on our special day of Celebration of Life for my husband, Danny—Austin is very fortunate to have you guys in his life. God Bless! *Dawn Curtis*

Dear First United Methodist Church,
Thank you for the generous donation to Village House! Your kindness makes a significant difference to us. I am blown away by the tremendous amount of support we receive from people and organizations just like YOU in this wonderful Bella Vista community. I consider it a privilege to offer a small token of gratitude to you on behalf of the clients, staff, volunteers, and family members of Village House. If there is ever an opportunity for Village House to reciprocate this support, please let me know. I am looking forward to working with you more in the future.

Sincerely, *Sara L. Scott*, Director


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Newsletter ~ July 2017 Financial Data

		2017	2017	Compare	2017
		Actual	Budget	2016	Year-end
				Actual	Budget
Month to date (as of 7/31/17)	Actual Receipts	\$57,204	\$50,701	\$51,450	
Month to date (as of 7/31/17)	Actual Expense	\$43,471	\$53,307	\$49,788	
	Balance	\$13,733	-\$2,606	\$1,662	
Year to Date	Actual Receipts	\$366,963	\$354,907	\$354,735	\$608,420
Year to Date	Actual Expense	\$342,137	\$373,149	\$361,310	\$639,707
	Balance	\$24,826		-\$6,575	-\$31,287
Operating Account Balance 7/31/17 =		\$26,271			

Patsy Attaway, Business Manager

SEPTEMBER 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2 9:00 Amp Big Book 9:00 Piano Recording
3 BP ✓ between services 7:30 Praise Tm rehrl 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Srv 3:00 Concordia worship	4 CHURCH CLOSED 	5 9:00 Workshop Prep 10:00 Fischback Service 10:00 Prayer Shawl 10:07 Golf-Brittany 5:30 Grief Support	6 8:00 Quilters 8:30 Men's Emmaus 9:30 UMW Board 10:15 Staff Mtng 3:30 Chancel Bells 4:00 Prayer Mtg 5:00 Chancel Choir 5:15 Young @ Heart 5:30 Midweek Manna 6:30 YouthLife	7 9:00 Bazaar Wkshp 9:00 Old Sew&Sews 9:33 Golf-Berksdale	8 11:30 PreSchl Brd Mtng	9 9:00 Amp Big Book
10 7:30 Praise Tm rehrl 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Srv 12:15 Lunch w/Pastors 2:00 SPRC 3:30 Finance	11 7:59 Golf-Scotsdale 9:30 DAR 10:00 Calico Board 12:45 Women's Chorus 1:30 Friends of Christ 5:30 Abram SG 6:30 By the Book AA 6:30 Men's Chorus	12 9:00 Workshop Prep 9:00 PEO-BR 10:00 Prayer Shawl 10:07 Golf BVCC 1:00 Sarah Circle 5:30 Grief Support	13 Quilters 9:00 UMW Baskets 9:00 Calico Spec Proj 10:15 Staff Mtng 1:00 Men's Emmaus 3:30 Chancel Bells 4:00 Prayer Mtg 5:00 Chancel Choir 5:30 Midweek Manna 6:30 UMM Dinner	14 9:00 Bazaar Wkshp 9:33 Golf-Kingsdale 1:00 Hope Circle 4:00 Small Grp Ldrs 6:00 Evening Circle	15	16 9:00 Amp Big Book
17 PAK-A-SAK MUSIC APPRECIATN 7:00 Bell Practice 7:30 Praise Tm rehrl 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Srv 1:30 Nominations 3:30 Brd of Directors	18 7:59 Golf-BVCC 9:00 Martha Circle 11:00 PEO-CD 12:45 Women's Chorus 5:30 Staff Planning 6:30 By the Book AA 6:30 Men's Chorus	19 9:00 Workshop Prep 10:00 Prayer Shawl 10:07 Golf Highlands 1:00 BV Book Club 1:00 Naomi Circle 5:30 Grief Support	20 8:00 Quilters 9:00 PEO Reciprocity 9:00 Disciple II 10:00 Calico Anytimers 1:00 Disciple IV 1:00 Men's Emmaus 3:30 Chancel Bells 4:00 Prayer Mtg 5:00 Chancel Choir 5:30 Midweek Manna	21 8:33 Golf-Scotsdale 9:00 Workshop Prep 2:30 Emmaus Beautifl	22	23 9:00 Amp Big Book
24 7:30 Praise Tm rehrl 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Service 11:00 Parents Planning 3:00 Community Band 5:00 Believers SG	25 7:34 Golf-Kingswood 9:00 Calico Cut-ups 12:45 Women's Chorus 1:30 Friends of Christ 6:30 By the Book AA 6:30 Men's Chorus	26 8:00 Calico Workshop 9:00 Workshop Prep 9:50 Golf-Highlands 10:00 Prayer Shawl 3:00 BV Library Brd 5:30 Grief Support	27 8:00 Quilters 9:00 Disciple II 10:15 Staff Mtng 11:45 UMW Luncheon 1:00 Men's Emmaus 1:00 Disciple IV 3:30 Chancel Bells 4:00 Prayer Mtg 5:00 Chancel Choir 5:30 Midweek Manna	28 8:42 Golf Scotsdale 9:00 Bazaar Wkshp 4:00 Small Grp Ldrs	29	30 9:00 Amp Big Book

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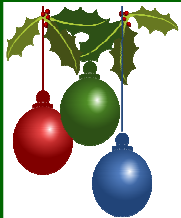
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Newsletter Deadline: 20th of the month

To the Home of ...



UMW HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Saturday, October 7
8:30 a.m. ~ 2:00 p.m.

Something for everyone!

Homemade—Cinnamon Rolls 8:30
Lunch Available at 10:30

Debit/Credit Machine

All Proceeds go to support local charities
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First United Methodist Church United Methodist Men Pancake Day

Friday, October 20
6:30am-12:30pm

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

\$6.00 per person

**Tickets can be bought from
any UMM member,
in the Church Office, or at
the door on Pancake Day**

Proceeds support Local Ministries
Sign up in the office to help!!

