



The Good News

September 2018

Welcome to our New Staff Members!

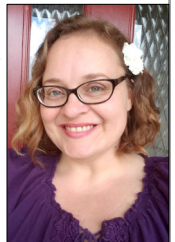
The Staff-Pastor/Parish Relations Committee is excited to announce the hiring of Amy Gilmore ~ Church Administrator, Danielle Norgaard ~ NextGen Director, Kacy Spears ~ Director of Communications, and Kaitlyn Cummings ~ NextGen Staff.



AMY GILMORE is not a new face, but she is transitioning into a new role in the life of the church. As Church Administrator, she will facilitate all fiduciary functions of the church and continue to drive our community life together. If you have questions about your giving, your participation in an activity, or are new to our community, Amy is your go-to person!

Amy and her husband, James, have had great opportunities to move around the country, starting in Colorado. They met while attending Adams State University where Amy earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Business Management. Montana, Vermont, Arkansas, and South Carolina have all been home over the years and Amy has worked in as many different areas as places they've lived, taking time off when son Alec was born. She spent time volunteering in the elementary schools with Alec and daughter, Jenna. In 2010, Amy began working in the FUMCBV Finance Office as treasurer until her family relocated to South Carolina in June 2012. When they returned to NW Arkansas in 2015, she was able to return to FUMCBV as Director of Community Life & Connections, which gave her many different opportunities within the life of the church.

DANIELLE NORGAARD was hired last year to work in our nursery. She is much-loved by all of our children; and with her background in working with youth and children, coordinating volunteers in her hospice work, and working with people of all ages, she is a great fit for our NextGen Director. Danielle is coordinating the early Christian development of our Infants through High-Schoolers, while also bridging all generations in our church specifically in relation to our children and youth.



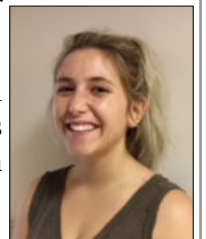
Danielle and her husband Colby have been married 21 years. They have two wonderful boys; Jacob just graduated high school, and Max just started preschool. She graduated from Stephen F. Austin State University with a Bachelor's degree in Gerontology, and also holds many certifications including in Youth Advocacy and Suicide Prevention. Danielle was blessed to be raised by her grandparents. They were her reason for going into the field of gerontology, working to help seniors live independently longer. Danielle has been teaching children in various capacities for the past 18 years. She cares about the kids of FUMCBV, and she is dedicated to fostering a multigenerational community of care and support for the benefit of each child in our church family.



KACY SPEARS is our new Director of Communications. Kacy will oversee all audio/visual needs in our church, our technical needs, managing our social media presence, and handling all marketing. She will also be looking for new servants and coordinating all of our servants for Sunday morning media needs. We are excited for her to begin here on August 27th!

Kacy is a recent graduate of Ouachita Baptist University, where she studied Mass Communications, English, and Theatre. She's coming from Geyer Springs First Baptist Church in Little Rock, where she served as the Assistant to the Director of Communications. Kacy was born in El Dorado, Arkansas, and lived there until she moved to college. She's passionate about sharing the Word with others, learning to be a leader, and petting every dog she sees. In her spare time, you can find her watching Netflix with her husband, Shelby, knitting, or planning her next trip!

KAITLYN CUMMINGS is our new NextGen Staff. She has a degree in psychology and French from the U of A. She's currently working on a Masters Degree in Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) with Emphasis in Autism. Kaitlyn is a full time lead behavior technician for children with autism during the workweek. She lives in Fayetteville. We're excited to add Kaitlyn to our team!





Glimpses of Grace

Rev. Jeanne Williams, Senior Pastor

Grace. Grace is perhaps the one thing that defines our denomination from others. Grace that is freely given and received. The United Methodist Church has even defined grace as three different types: prevenient, justifying, and sanctifying. God's grace is what connects us as a church family, as a denomination, and as the body of Christ made of all humanity.

If we are to love others as God loves us, then we have to lead with grace. Grace to cover our own prejudices and judgments and grace to extend love to others.

We're in the midst of a series called The Art of Neighboring. As I have had to reflect on my own feelings of approaching my neighbors and truly begin being in relationship with them, I've had to extend grace. Grace to myself and to them. And it has started me on a journey of, "what would happen if we DID remember that God's grace is for all?" For the person who rear ended me last week; for the person driving 15 mph under the speed limit; for the wreck that causes me to be late to my appointment; for the talking heads on the news; ... for even those inside the church we don't agree with?

Let's be honest. We're people and as people we are imperfect. And our imperfections follow us into the church building, too. And sometimes even inside the church building, we find ourselves judging one another: "I can't believe she's wearing that!" "Is that jacket from 1950?" "How can they let their kids run all over like this?" "Mom's always here, where is dad?" "Goodness. He's gained a lot of weight." And I'm sure you can think of others. Maybe even: "The band is too loud today." "I can't hear the preacher." "This service is going over, again."

So what happens if before we walk into the church building we pause, pray for God's grace to lead us, and smile? Smile because God has forgiven you of your shortcomings and God forgives everyone else, too. Smile because you're here to worship God, and fellowship with other believers. Smile because God loves YOU, so how could you not smile? Smile because you realize that to be a good neighbor means to love even the people who annoy you the most across the aisle.

Friends, it is impossible to start a neighboring movement if we don't first recognize that we have to be good neighbors inside our own building. Perhaps, if you disagree with someone, you should handle it the way the Bible instructs us: confront that person with love and honor and with the assistance of a neutral party if needed. When there is division within the church walls, we will never fulfill God's mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ in our community. And goodness, when you really think about it, what can be so monumental to overcome that we miss the opportunity God is calling us to?

"Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within; grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin!" (*Grace Greater than Our Sin*, UMH 365).

Blessings, *Rev. Jeanne*

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 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.



JOINING in the JOURNEY TOGETHER

Rev. Brenda Wideman, Associate Pastor

Searching for a Fresh Perspective

How many times in our lives do we feel as if we have become stuck in a rut, become stagnant in our outlook and actions, become stalled in our spiritual and life growth?

Although sometimes an event in our lives will wrest us out of our doldrums, often we are the ones who must take the initiative to seek out a fresh perspective.

When you call me and come and pray to me, I will listen to you. When you search for me, yes, search for me with all your heart, you will find me. I will be present for you, declares the LORD, and I will end your captivity. (Jeremiah 29:12-14a CEB)

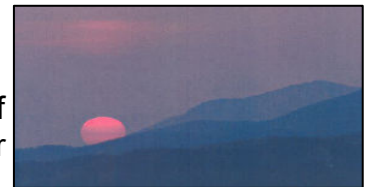
How many of us are captives in our own life's outlook? Are we searching for a new perspective with all our hearts? The Lord spoke through the prophet Jeremiah and encouraged the Jewish people who were captive in exile to do this very thing, search with all their hearts. We each have a part to play in the direction and growth in our lives. Although the Lord initiates the encouragement, we must each reach out to take the outstretched hand of opportunity that is extended to us.

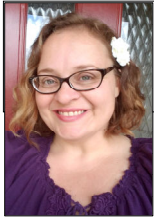
As we enter into the clear, fresh, crisp days of Fall, days filled with beautiful vibrant color, may we each take our own steps to add color to our lives and grow in the Lord. Become a part of a new small group study to learn and experience new things. Come to Midweek Manna, or become a part of a new Sunday School class or a new Disciple class or a new grief support or caregivers' support group. Develop new relationships with others by "Coloring Your Way to Calm" or taking up a new craft, by becoming active in your Shepherd Group, by being a welcoming neighbor inside and outside our church. Join in the Journey with others in brand new ways. By searching with all our hearts, we will do our part to end our captivity and find that new fresh perspective that only the Lord of Life can give.

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 meets on Tuesdays and continues through October 23rd. It is 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.





From Tiny-Tots to Teens
Danielle Norgaard, NextGen Director

We're gearing up for a fun and active year for our birth-18 ministry! We've added 10 new children to our program since VBS. Woohoo! The Back to School Pool Party was well attended (despite not having pool access because of weather). The youth have already participated in two service activities this month. They have a lock-in at the church coming up on September 7th. The nursery kids have decided to start a band and go on tour. (Kidding!) They do enjoy music, though. I hope to expand the music opportunities for all of our kids. We have many creative, artistic, expressive, active, talented kids here. I want to see (and hear) more of that.

Family and service to others is our focus this fall. There will be service opportunities for each age group, as well as intergenerational activities such as a baking mentorship event in December. I can't wait for Trunk or Treat!

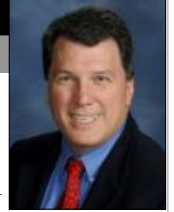
I believe it takes each generation to reach and teach the next generation of Christ's disciples. It makes me happy to see so many grandparents spending time with their grandkids. I love that we have a group of men and women who function like adopted grandparents for our church kids. I know that my sons really benefit from that. Sunday, September 9th is National Grandparents Day. Please pray for all of our grandparents this month, especially those with health challenges and those who are raising grandchildren. Happy Grandparents Day!

Please join the staff in welcoming our new NextGen staff member, Kaitlyn Cummings. She works with kids with special needs during the work week. She will be in the Nursery on Sundays and with the elementary class during Midweek Manna. Welcome, Kaitlyn!

Danielle

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.

From the Organ Console Broc Hite, Organist/Pianist



One thing I love about playing music in church is the instant reaction. The second installment of playing the complete Well-Tempered Clavier on piano has generated discussion, more so than the first installment in February. Statements like "that didn't sound like Bach" or "that prelude really seemed to meander" only come if you present the pieces as the composer's trusted representative. My organ professor in college used to make it a point to emphasize the composer in capital letters and de-emphasize his role as just the guy who happened to be interpreting the composer's works that day. If you like Bach, more preludes and fugues will be coming in November.

Meanwhile, back to the organ console for postludes in September, where the theme will be Festive Fanfares and Finales. Yes, that's *fff*, or *fortississimo*, the loudest dynamic marking in music. Here's fair warning that at some point, it's going to get really loud! The Dale Wood preludes have sparked their own discussion, and since I have many books of them, I'll continue them during the prelude spots this month.

Now, for something completely different, it's time for another concert series featuring our singers and my piano playing. And for those of you who hate Bach, there won't be any on my piano recital. What will be there is Tchaikovsky, Rachmaninoff, and Bernstein. It's the 100th anniversary of Leonard Bernstein's birth, and I'm celebrating with pieces that were only recently published! So join me on September 16th at noon in Becker Hall. Two weeks later, on September 30th, is the voice recital featuring songs of autumn. It's sort of the antithesis to the songs of spring you heard back in May.

I'm also gearing up for a separate piano recital in Rogers later this fall, and an organ recital in our sanctuary this November. For more information about that, follow me through my Website or social media.

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

On Facebook and Instagram: @BrocKeysPedals

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**MUSIC APPRECIATION
SUNDAY**
SEPTEMBER 16th
**Hug your FUMCBV Musicians,
Choir Members, Praise Team!**



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, Congregational Care Minister at brenda@lovelearnlead.com or 855-1158.

BIRTHS

Bill and Aggie Danenhauer welcomed twin great-grandsons, Asher and Hayes on Saturday, August 18th. The parents are Aaron and Amanda Danenhauer of Bella Vista. Bill & Aggie now have 14 great-grandchildren, 7 boys and 7 girls.

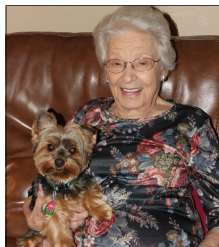
RELOCATIONS



Billy and Carlene Jerman have moved to Oklahoma to be close to family. Their new address is: Rivermont, 800 Canadian Trail Drive, Apt. 250, Norman, OK 73072. They request our prayers in this transition as a change this big is really hard. They will miss us and hope to watch our Sunday services via livestream.

IN MEMORIAM

Mickey Cleveland – passed away in the early morning at home on Sunday, August 5. Mickey had been a member with us for about 8 years, but her health has not allowed her to be physically with us in worship recently. A graveside service was held in Jackson, Mississippi at the Lakewood Memorial Cemetery on Saturday, August 11th. She has asked that all memorials be given to our YouthLife Ministries here at FUMCBV. Cards to the family can be sent to her daughter, Helen Prestridge, 11 Candover Circle, Bella Vista, 72714

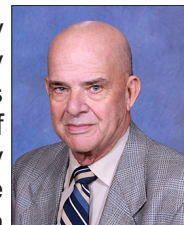


Norma Gibbons – sister of Jan Vogel, passed away on Thursday, August 16 in Clovis, California. The memorial service was held the weekend of August 25. Please keep Jan and her family in your prayers as they mourn Norma's passing.



Betty Gillette Hurl – passed away on Saturday, August 4 at Concordia Care Center. Betty had married our member Chuck Hurl back in 2008. Chuck has been a member with us for over 25 years. Betty was an active member of the United Lutheran Church of Bella Vista at 100 Cooper Road. Her memorial service was held there Friday, August 10th at 2:00pm. Cards can be sent to Chuck at 9 Bedwell Lane, Bella Vista 72715

Ewart Scarff - passed away suddenly but peacefully at home on Monday morning, August 13. Ewart and his wife Liz joined our church in March of 2003. Liz passed away in February 2014. His Celebration of Life Service was held in our Sanctuary on Saturday, August 18. Please keep Ewart's family and friends in your prayers in this difficult time.



Jay Van Fleet passed away August 22 in California. Jay & Dorene moved there to be close to family 3 years ago and Dorene passed away in June. Condolences may be sent to their son Kevin, 24871 Danafir, Dana Point, CA 92629

Ron Dahlke – father of Jennifer Lehmann, passed away on Saturday, July 14th, after a sudden but very serious heart attack. The service was held Friday, August 3rd, at St. Stephen Catholic Church in Bentonville. Please keep Jennifer, her mother Ann, and all the family in prayers as they mourn the loss of Ron.

Fred Storck – brother of Jack Storck, passed away Saturday, August 4 in Florida as a result of difficulties in surgery. Please keep Jack and his family in your prayers as they mourn the passing of Fred.

Kim Beltrame – granddaughter of Keith Prueitt, passed away on Tuesday, August 14. The memorial service was held on Friday, August 17th in Des Moines, Iowa. Please keep Kim's family in your prayers in this difficult time

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 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
 14 Nathan Forst
 14 Jan Lowe
 15 Joyce Connell
 15 Peggy Henault

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS (CONT'D)**

- 16 Karen Bacon
 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 O. Fulton
 23 Patricia Brannon
 23 Julia Crider
 23 Aggie Danenhauer
 24 Kitty Polich
 25 Hallee Johnson
 25 Brennon McCarthy
 25 Diane Verville
 26 Piper Engle
 26 Stan Robinson
 26 Karen Roenfeld
 27 Eldon Cox
 27 Scott Drindak
 27 Georgiana Green
 27 Michael Parham
 27 Natalie Williams
 28 Matthew Pearson
 30 Carol Cheek
 30 Cathy Wilmoth





The September dinner meeting is Wednesday, September 12 at 6:30 pm in the Parlor. Rhythm & Q will cater our dinner. The speaker will be Physical Therapist Stewart Ong. His philosophy of trying conservative measures of healthcare before hopping on the operating table or popping a handful of pills is derived from his personal experience with back pain. If you are experiencing pain with standing, walking, sitting, lifting, changing positions, getting in and out of a car, golfing, or running, please come hear what Mr. Ong has to say. He teaches what he knows and believes you should "Love Your Life". All in the church are invited!

We are still searching for one of our members to receive the Life Service Award. For nominations, please contact Alan Packard (426-6211).

For dinner reservations, please contact Lou Kaufmann at lou@krrealty.com or 366-1291, or the church office (855-1158) no later than Monday, September 10th.

September LAY LEADER'S MESSAGE

I want to thank everyone for their prayers and well wishes on my recent journey to the hospital and rehab. Having just shared words of Faith the previous day with the congregation, I was truly given a test of my very own. On Tuesday morning after my mild stroke Monday evening, I could not stand, feed myself, or sit up straight. That evening I practiced sitting on the edge of my bed, making my right hand find my mouth, and exercising my legs. On Wednesday morning I had a nurse get a walker, and with her help, walked down the hall and by then could feed myself. When I got to rehab, my goal was to get discharged in four days. It took me six days to get discharged.

Oh, did I feel the prayers of our church and of the friends that visited! My faith remained strong and what else matters as long as we have that? I have faith in our church that it will grow strong and positive with love and enthusiasm. What else matters? All other considerations are unimportant. Thank you for your support and love and prayers.

UMW Fall Luncheon



The Fall Luncheon of the U M W will be held Wednesday, September 26th at 11:45 in Becker Hall. The program will be presented by Melisa Laelan, President of AR. Coalition of Marshallese Islands, (a Former Territory of the U S A). She and her team will be informing us about the Marshallese Community who have settled in Springdale. Chef Salad, Rolls and dessert will be served for \$7.00 and the deadline for making reservations is Sunday, Sept. 23rd. As a way of showing our support of those in service to this population, we are asking for donations of non-perishable snacks for children after school while their parents are attending English and other classes. A green Plastic Tub is in Becker Hall for all donations Please make your reservations in your circle or call Sue Nebrig at **855-9269**.

CHILD CARE WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ANYONE WISHING TO ATTEND, WITH PRIOR NOTICE.

UMW BAZAAR ~ SATURDAY, OCT. 6th ~ 8 to 2

We are getting ready for the UMW Bazaar and we need your help ~ men and women and teens to set up and tear down. We will start receiving items for the Garden Center on September 30th and during the week. If you have a specific price for something, please put a tag on it. There are still a few kits in the container in Becker Hall to be completed. If you have made things at home, please bring them down to the quilt room with a suggested price attached by September 24th. There is a list on the UMW board in Becker Hall for those who will sign up to help our different areas, with suggested times, PLEASE put your name down to help with this Mission Project, which helps support local Women, Children, & Men's Shelters. We encourage our bakers to make things for the Country Kitchen area, because this is one of the first places people go. Pies, cookies, candy, jams, jelly, rolls, bread and whatever you enjoy making will be welcome. Marlene and her crew will be getting delicious food items ready for the dining area for people to sit down and enjoy. She will also need pies for that area. WE NEED HELP FROM EVERYONE IN PULLING THIS WORTHWHILE PROJECT TOGETHER TO BE SUCCESSFUL. Putting things away and getting Becker Hall ready for Church Services Sunday morning is a place where everyone can pitch in and help. THANKS TO ALL who are willing to help with any and every part of this important mission project.

Karen Roenfeld, Nancy Spangler & Darleen O'Brien
Bazaar Mission Project Chairs



MISSIONS

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 for this new school year as we fill the banks with quarters.



**Bring your quarters !
Fill the Banks !
Feed a Child !**

There is a new paper shredder at the AARP Recycle Center on Pinion Bluff Dr. here in Bella Vista. The shredder is available to shred small or large quantities of your personal papers. There is no limit on the amount you can bring. However, the Recycle personnel do the shredding, and they may not always be available at the time you bring your papers in. For more information, stop by the recycle center (While you are there, check out the opportunities to volunteer and earn money for your group at the same time).



Habitat for Humanity Apostle Build



The latest home, built for Christina and her family, was recently completed with the addition of this wonderful storage shed. The shed was built by Chet Campbell, John Justice, Artie Lawless, Weldon Hyde and Ted Ivy, with Chet, Ted, and Darrell Bottjen finishing it with this great paint job. Thanks Guys!!



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.



Book Nook

BOOKS IN SERIES:

TEAROOM MYSTERIES:

Book 25: *TEA AND PROMISES* by Susan Page Davis

GOLDEN GATE SECRETS by Tracie Peterson

Book 1: *IN PLACES HIDDEN*

Book 2: *IN DREAMS FORGOTTEN*

FICTION:

CHRISTMAS MIRACLES OF MARBLE COVE:

Volume One:

Book 1: *A THRILL OF HOPE* by Patti Berg

Book 2: *HEAVENLY PEACE* by Patti Berg

Volume Two:

Book 1: *THE SOUNDING JOY* by Sunni Jeffers

Book 2: *LOVE'S PURE LIGHT* by Camy Tang

BIOGRAPHY:

GEORGE AND LAURA

by Christopher Andersen

A portrait of an American marriage.

FUMC is responsible for delivering Meals on Wheels during October this year and volunteers are



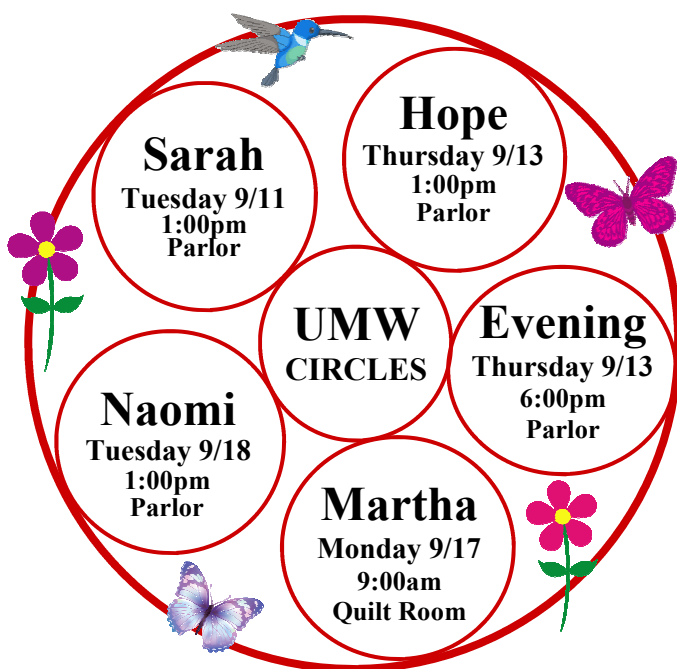
needed! Meals are delivered Monday through Friday from 10:30am until about Noon. Sign-up sheets will be in the Narthex on Sunday mornings, and in the Church Office during the week beginning mid-September. Please consider volunteering to deliver meals in October. If you have questions, please contact Darrell Bottjen at 876-1392.



RUMMAGE SALE "THANK YOU!"

We made it one more time! Many hands worked very hard last month and we are happy to report that we had one of the better profits from past years with a little over \$4,750. So, a big "THANK YOU" to everyone who helped with this UMW project which adds to the amount we can give to charities supporting women and children in accordance with our purpose.

UMW Circles are back in the swing of things!



Cooper Volunteers do all of this and more!



Please join us Friday, September 7th at 9:00am in the cafeteria to see what exciting things are happening at Cooper Elementary this year and how you can be a part. If you have any question please contact Principal, Buddy Herndon at 696-3738.



A Note of Appreciation

It is with heartfelt gratitude that I thank Patsy Attaway, Angie Rader, Austin Curtis, Beverly Thuma, and Sarah Bowers for the wonderful jobs they have performed over the years that I have been associated with them.

Patsy was a good steward of our church's finances and always ready with an answer to questions I may have had or with the weekly reports I needed. Her spread-sheets were easy to interpret as to how our finances were being handled. She is an excellent cook and loved to experiment on the staff with new recipes. Oh, how I will miss her peppered bacon!

Angie Rader is always ready with a friendly greeting, wide smile, and a hug. She loved the young children she worked with, and they knew it. She had lots of great ideas of things to do or new projects that did not always get off the ground, but the ones that were completed were fun for everyone. See the tree on the lower level!

Austin Curtis is a force to be reckoned with. He is one you would not want to meet coming toward you in a dark alley—until you realize what a teddy bear he is. His love and dedication of the Lord and of the teens of our church knows no bounds and is unquestionable. His love of Reese's Peanut Butter Cups comes in a close second.

Beverly Thuma loves the babies of FUMCBV—so much so that she recently had another one of her own. It is fun to watch her interact with the very young children—they know she is their friend.

Sarah Bowers agreed to come help us stay connected to the mysteries of the technological entities within our church, even though she was already employed full-time in IT at the Wal-Mart home office. For those of us who are challenged by all of this, it can be a daunting task trying to interpret so many different programs, keep our computers from crashing, keep the TVs up and running, adjust lights and sound at a moment's notice, get DVDs up and running, prepare slides

and info for worship services to keep us all on track on Sundays, be available for many different activities such as funerals, Mid-Week Manna, meetings, etc. Sarah was always there with a smile, even though she might be there on her day off from her "real job".

Each one of these folks had their own personal challenges within the departments where they worked and within their lives. I commend them all for the jobs they did do, and I appreciate them so much for their friendship, and for helping make my job interesting over the years. Thank you, all!
Janet Walton

I want to thank the Ladies of the Prayer Shawl Ministry for the lovely shawl and to Elaine Detlefsen for bringing it to me. I am so thankful for belonging to such a caring church.

Pat Brannon

Thank you so much for your cards and prayers in the loss of our grand daughter Aug. 17. The loss of a loved one is never easy but a young adult's life cut short surely tests one's faith. We truly felt the loving arms of God throughout this ordeal. *Keith & Lynn Prueitt*



I wish to "Thank Everyone" in our church family for all the prayers, phone calls, cards, and help that you have extended to me during my recovery time after my nasty fall. I also appreciate the rides, visitations and miscellaneous things you have done to help me and my granddaughters, during their visit. Also, Shirley and I appreciate the meals that have been delivered and very much enjoyed each one of them. I have been truly blessed to be surrounded by the best church family anyone could ever ask for. May God bless you and your family.

Darleen O'Brien

Newsletter ~ July 2018 Financial Data

		2018	2018	Compare	2018
		Actual	Budget	2017	Year-end
				Actual	Budget
Month to date (as of 7/31/18)	Actual Receipts	\$56,167	\$44,913	\$57,229	
Month to date (as of 7/31/18)	Actual Expense	\$46,554	\$47,424	\$43,473	
	Balance	\$9,219	-\$2,511	\$13,756	
Year to Date (as of 7/31/18)	Actual Receipts	\$327,714	\$271,308	\$367,228	\$538,960
Year to Date (as of 7/31/18)	Actual Expense	\$329,510	\$284,535	\$342,137	\$569,070
	Balance	-\$1,796	-\$13,227	\$25,091	-\$30,110
Operating Account Balance 7/31/18 =		\$55,167			
<i>Amy Gilmore, Church Ad- Administrator</i>					

September 2018

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
2	BP ✓ 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 Concordia Worship	3	CHURCH CLOSED 	4	10:15 Men's Golf-BVCC 10:30 Staff Meeting 5:30 Grief Support 6:00 SPRC	5	8:00 Quilters 9:30 UMW Board Mtng 3:15 Chancel Bells 4:00 Prayer Mtg 4:45 Chancel Choir 5:30 MW Manna Dinner 6:30 YouthLife 6:30 MW Manna classes	6	9:00 Old Sew & Sews 9:00 Bazaar Wrkshp 10:32 Men's Golf-Scotsdale 12:30 Caregivers Supprt	7	8:30 Men's Emmaus 10:00 Prayer Shawl 6:30pm Youth Lock-in til 9:00am 7:00 Men's Chorus	8	8:30 Amp Big Book 6:00 Broc rehearse
9	GRANDPARENTS DAY 7:30 Praise Team Rehrs 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Service 2:00 Finance Team 3:00 BV Men's Chorus	10	9:00 DAR 10:30 Staff Mtng 10:44 Men's Golf - BVCC 12:30 Women's Chorus 1:30 Friends of Christ 5:30 Abrahams Shiprd grp 6:00 Venture Crew-BSA 6:30 By the Book AA 6:30 Men's Chorus	11	9:00 PEO-BR 9:33 Men's Golf-Kingswd 1:00 Sarah Circle 5:30 Grief Support 6:00 Scouts - Room 28	12	8:00 Quilters 9:00 Calico Newbies 3:15 Chancel Bells 4:00 Prayer Mtg 4:45 Chancel Choir 5:30 Manna Dinner 6:30 UMM Dinner 6:30 YouthLife	13	9:00 Bazaar Wrkshp 9:41 Men's golf-Scotsdl 1:00 Hope Circle 4:00 Small Grp leaders 6:00 Evening Circle 6:00 SPRC	14	8:30 Men's Emmaus 10:00 Prayer Shawl 11:30 PreSchool Bld	15	8:30 Amp Big Book 9:00 Solos-Papa Milkes 10:00 SAR 6:00 Broc rehearse
16	MUSIC APPRECIATION 7:00 Handbell Rehearsal 7:30 Praise Team Rehrs 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Service 12:00 Autumn Leaves Piano	17	7:59 Men's Golf-Brksdale 9:00 Martha Circle 10:30 Staff Meeting 11:00 PEO-CD 12:30 Women's Chorus 6:00 Venture Crew 6:30 By the Book AA 6:30 Men's Chorus	18	9:33 Men's Golf-Hghlnds 1:00 BV Book Club 1:00 Naomi Circle 5:30 Grief Support 6:00 Scouts-Becker Hall	19	8:00 Quilters 3:15 Chancel Bells 4:00 Prayer Mtg 4:45 Cancel Choir 5:30 Midweek Manna 6:30 Youth Life 6:30 Manna Classes	20	8:33 Men's Golf-Hghlnds 9:00 Bazaar Wrkshp 9:00 PEO-CD - Parlor 2:30 Emmaus Btfl Clrs	21	8:30 Men's Emmaus 10:00 Prayer Shawl	22	8:30 Amp Big Book 6:00 Broc rehearse
23	7:30 Praise Team Rehrs 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Service	24	7:59 Men's Golf-Brksdale 8:30 Preschool begins 9:00 Calico Cut-ups 10:30 Staff Meeting 12:30 Women's Chorus 1:30 Friends of Christ 6:30 By the Book AA 6:30 Men's Chorus	25	9:58 Men's Golf-Hghlnds 3:00 BV Library Board 5:30 Grief Support	26	8:00 Quilters 9:00 Calico Dog Beds 3:15 Chancel Bells 4:00 Prayer Mtg 4:45 Cancel Choir 5:30 Midweek Manna 6:30 Youth Life 6:30 Manna Classes	27	9:00 Bazaar Workshop 9:24 Men's Golf-Brksdale 4:00 Small Grp Ldrs	28	8:30 Men's Emmaus 10:00 Prayer Shawl	29	8:30 Amp Big Book 6:00 Broc rehearse
30	7:30 Praise Team Rehrs 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Service 12:00 Autumn Leaves Vocal	1		2		3		4		5		6	UMW BAZAAR  8:30 Amp Big Book 6:00 Broc rehearse

UMW BAZAAR SET - UP ALL WEEK

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Newsletter Deadline: 20th of the month

To the Home of ...

Midweek Manna Returns!!

Wednesday Nights

Dinner ~ 5:30 - 6:15

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

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

Study Groups:

- **Financial Peace University ~ Rev Jim Rowland**
- **Ancient Roads ~ Jean Meadows (8/22-9/5 & 10/17-11/7)**
- **Short Stories by Jesus ~ Rev Brenda**
- **Spiritual Gifts ~ Rev Jeanne (begins 9/12)**
- **Joy Stealers ~ Elaine Detlefsen (begins 9/26)**
- **Numbers ~ Church of the Righteous Sista's**

Craft & Activity Groups:

- **Coloring**
Your Way to Calm
- **UMW Crafts**

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** **YouthLife will continue to explore various life topics through the study of**
(7th-12th grade) **scripture and its application to everyday life**

Sign-up sheets in the Narthex & Becker Hall & the Office for classes and dinner!