

The Messenger

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Ushers For September

Julian Bass
Randy Beggs
Jake Beggs
Faron White

Greeters For September

Jane Alexander
Jan White

Back to basics.

I started a new sermon series called "You Might Be A Christian If:" on August 21st. It will last for three weeks. The idea behind the sermon came from much of what is going on in the world and in the United Methodist Church on the national stage. It came to me because it seems so many pastors, myself included, have neglected to teach the basics from the pulpit. We have forgotten to teach the supremacy of scripture in the life of all Christians. We, as United Methodists, have failed to teach that our own heritage instructs us to build our faith upon the foundation of Scripture and then strengthen our faith with reason, tradition and experience. Reason, tradition and experience were never supposed to dictate faith but rather help add to it. We have become an experiential people. Too many denominations are choosing to change from being Bible based to what makes us feel good and does not upset anyone. We have stopped teaching confession, repentance and living a life that imitates Jesus. We have ignored calling people to repent of their sins to the point that nothing seems to be called a sin any longer. America and the world are paying the price for our failure to preach and teach the basics of sin, repentance and forgiveness. We see it in the rate of divorces in the U.S. We see it in the number of suicides in the country. We see it in the increase every year of those who are addicted to drugs, alcohol and pornography. People are chasing something, anything, that will make them feel good or better about themselves. Nothing the world can offer will do that. Only Jesus Christ can fill the empty holes in our lives we try to fill with the things of the world.

So it seems to me that it is time for the international, national, statewide and local churches to return to the basics. It is time for us to say to those in the pews there is a word for what is hurting the world. It is called sin. There is also a cure. His name is Jesus. It is time for us to say to the world: we know you are hurting but there is a balm in Gilead and His name is Jesus. Now we need to pray for the strength and wisdom to share the answer.



“Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, and in purity.”
1 Timothy 4:12

Wednesday Night Activities

- September 7th: Rotation
- September 14th: Rotation
- September 21st: Fun Night
- September 28th: Rotation

Acolytes

- September 4th Morgan & Chase
- September 11th Jennason & Ayden
- September 18th Morgan & Madelyn
- September 25th Bailey & Ayden

Nursery Workers

- September 4th 10:00 Carrie Gervais
11:00 Lydia Barnett
- September 11th 10:00 Sharon Owen
11:00 Kerry Moody
- September 18th 10:00 Carrie Gervais
11:00 Beverly McCorkle
- September 25th 10:00 Sharon Owen
11:00 Kris Moser

If your child is interested in attending Sunday School, please let me or the Church Office know. We are now able to pick children up with the church bus and have them at church in time for Sunday School. If you have any questions, or would like to request pick-up, you can call the office at 256-247-3307 or

DeShawn at 256-702-5500

Reminder:

Wednesday Fellowship Meal 5:30p.m to 6p.m.
children to age 18 is free Adults \$6.00

Classes Start at 6p.m. to 7:30p.m.
Classes available for ages 3yrs to 6th
Youth Group available for 7th- 12th



The Place

Youth Ministry

Important Dates

Sept. 7th 6:00 p.m.: Youth @ The Place
Sept. 14th 6:00 p.m.: Youth @ The Place
Sept. 21st: Youth 6:00 p.m. @ The Place
Sept. 28th: Lawrenceburg Fair

Wednesday Nights @ The Place

The Youth are continuing their study that helps us to be God's best version of ourselves. We have some brand new games to play, candy to eat, and Bible to learn. Come join us!

Youth Activities

Make sure you are all in the Text Messaging Group. We want to let you know what's going on during the month (especially if a surprise activity comes up!).

The Landing

Don't forget! The Landing meets on Thursday nights starting at 6:00 PM. It's for youth who are who are struggling with hurts, habits and hang-ups. This is another way to become God's best version of ourselves.

Just a Reminder

Don't forget! Youth (and Children) can not be at the church prior to 5:15 PM. There is no adult supervision for them until that time. Thank you for helping us to keep our Youth and Children safe while at church.

Still making plans to whip the adults in the Annual Whiffle Ball Game!!!! Hope the adults are practicing!



**Wednesday Night
Dinner**

Sept. 7th **Lasagna, Salad, Garlic Bread,
Brownies
Sonny & Faith Howard**

Sept. 14th **Hot Dogs, Cheese Tots, Cookies
Jerry & Sandra Garner**

Sept. 21st **Chicken Patties, Broccoli
Casserole, Fries, Cake
Ronnie & Gayle Littrell**

Sept. 28th **Hamburgers, Fries, Banana
Pudding
Mary Wallace & Pat Johnson**



UMW

There will be a meeting on Tuesday, September 6th at 6:00 p.m. in the Discipleship Center.



New Morning Ladies

The New Morning Ladies will meet on Tuesday, September 6th at 10:00 a.m. in the DC.



UMM will meet
Saturday, September
10th, at 8:00 a.m.

Fish & Loaves
September 10th & 16th
Joyful Spirits will meet not meet in September.

Sunday Morning Fellowship

September	Hannah	November	UMM
October	Covenant	December	All Groups

This is long overdue, but I just wanted to say how thankful I am to everyone for all the thoughts, visits, cards, and most importantly prayers. The number of people who were keeping up with me is overwhelming and there are no words to express my gratitude to each of you. I am officially done with doctors, and that would not be possible without all of your support. Just know that I am very aware that I am a walking miracle, and I do not and will not take that for granted. I waited so long to do this because I wanted to have good things to say and now I have so many. I would say I am very close to 100% recovered (my foot tingles, and that is the most remarkable symptom I still have, and that isn't very remarkable at all). I'm not saying to stop praying for me because I'll always appreciate prayers, but you can move me down on the priority list. Again, thank you all so very much, you have been such a blessing. As always, roll tide.

*Thank
You*

Forever grateful,

Mallory Brown



**Please join us and invite someone
to attend with you.**



RUMC Picnic

Sunday, September 25th, at our church pavilion. Bring your family and enjoy the fellowship, activities for children and a hamburger or hot dog with trimmings and sweets at 5:00 p.m. Worship in song and communion to follow.



As you know, our annual stewardship campaign will be starting soon. With that in mind, I would like to ask for each of you to be in prayer for that effort. We will be communicating in a variety of ways the importance of stewardship, and how it affects us all. Additionally, be in prayer for each leader of the ministry areas as they make budget requests, that they might request and be funded to the extent they can further their mission to make disciples for Christ. It is a challenging time for us, trying to balance the ministries and missions, and ensuring that our facilities are such that they promote and not detract from those endeavors.

Remember that stewardship of time is also very important, i.e., being the hands and feet of Jesus by asking "how can I serve Him by serving_____." (fill in the blank: you, my family, my church, my neighbor, my community, etc.)

In closing, as Dean Cosby reminded us last month, we are so close to paying off the discipleship center we can almost smell the note burning! Lets finish the year strong both spiritually and financially!

In Christ,
Your stewardship team

We face a great challenge in our General Fund finances. We are at the point we must make decisions about which bills to pay. This is a unique position for our church.

We ask that you prayerfully consider where you are on your contributions to the church. Whatever you give will be used to meet our obligations. May God lead you in your decision.

RUMC Finance Committee

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7

Based on our budget, our weekly need for the general fund is \$5,582.85. These are our figures from July and our current balance on the building fund.

Income: \$23,999.90

Expenses: \$23,912.31

In the building fund we have:

Income: \$5,145.00

Expense: \$4,478.23



Good News! Our balance on the building loan is only **\$24,829.05**. Keep up the good work! LET'S get it paid off this year!!!!

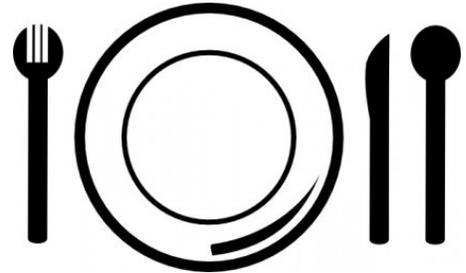
Financial statements are available in the office for anyone who would like to see them.

Youth Fundraiser Lunch

September 11th

11:00 a.m. and 12 noon

Please join us!



Christmas Shoe Boxes for Third World Children 2016

Suggested Gifts for Third World Shoe Boxes

Boxes should be marked with ages (2-12) and whether it is for a boy **OR** girl.

Hot Wheels Cars
Small Dolls
Small balls & Hand pump?
Soap
Comb and Brush
1 pr Flip Flops (Each box needs one pr)
Shorts & tee-shirts (boys & girls)
1 pr Socks for Sunday

McDonalds Toys
Marbles (no more than 5/baggie)
Wash Cloth
Toothbrush & medium toothpaste
Small Hand Mirror
Underwear (underpants & t-shirt)
Dresses
(No candy, bubble gum, suckers!)

School Supplies: Pencils (limit 4), paper, 5 crayons, colored pencils, small pencil sharpeners, etc.

Little Girls: Barrettes, ribbons, bows, headbands, scrunches, ponytail holders, etc. All liquids should be in a zip lock bag. Please make sure the box is full, but not overfilled so that it closes flat. Please include a check payable to "Christmas Shoe Box Ministry" for **\$5.00** per box for shipping.

Boxes are available in the DC and can be returned to the DC. **Deadline for returning boxes is October 3rd.**

September, 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
Sunday Schedule 8:45am Worship 10am S. School 11am Worship 5 pm Bible Study	Monday Schedule 5:30 GED	Tuesday Schedule 5:30 GED 5:45 Celebrate Recovery	Wednesday Schedule 10am Bible Study 5:30pm Fellowship meal 5:30 pm Youth Study 6pm Bible Study 6:30 M&M Class 7:30pm Choir	6:00 The Landing		
				1 6:30 Trustees	2	3
4	5 Labor Day Office Closed	6 Robert out of office 10:00 NML 6:00 UMW	7 Robert out of office	8 6:00 Stewardship Meeting	9 Wesley Golf Tournament	10 UMM Fish & Loaves
11	12	13 Quilters 6:00 Lay Leadership Meeting	14	15	16 Fish & Loaves 3:30 Feed Football Team	17
18	19 6:30 Finance	20 Emmaus Cluster Meeting	21	22 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	23	24
25 2:00 Church Picnic Church Pavillion	26 6:00 SPRC	27	28	29	30	

September Birthdays & Anniversaries (A)



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|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 2 Diane Henson | 15 Sharon Davis |
| 2 Tom & Judy Thompson (A) | 17 Kevin Johnson |
| 3 Hank Wix | 19 Lucas Watson |
| 4 Dean & Priscilla Cosby (A) | 19 Beverly McCorkle |
| 4 Olivia Garner | 21 Landon Rikard |
| 4 Patty Winingger | 22 Cody Seals |
| 4 John & Michelle Patterson (A) | 22 Faith Howard |
| 5 Butch & Melanie Young (A) | 22 Mallory Brown |
| 5 Dot Roberson | 23 Miley Rikard |
| 5 Lydia Barnett | 24 Christi Allen |
| 6 Adam Berryhill | 24 Richard & Alice Mitchell (A) |
| 6 Madeline Jones | 26 Brandi Borelli |
| 7 Jimmy Mason | 26 Eva Kelley |
| 8 Stephanie Hendrix | 26 Steven Tinkle |
| 9 Barry Berryhill | 27 Regina Obergfell |
| 10 Jennifer Burt Dean | 28 Anna Wix |
| 13 Angie Roberson | 30 Nadine Waddell |
| 13 Austin Hoke | 30 Ingram Cornelius |
| 15 Aaron Hannah | |



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