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Notes for the Journey

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Trustees, Worship Ministry, Other Ministries

Those who were recently elected to positions as a Trustee or under the heading of Worship (greeting coordinator, head usher, sound coordinator, video coordinator, music committee members) or Other Ministries (fellowship activities, fellowship meals, church historian, photography, library, relay for life, operation Christmas child) will meet this Sunday immediately after the morning worship service to elect their representative to the Board of Administration.

New Chairs

NEW CHAIRS ARE COMING!! 100 new chairs for the fellowship hall are to be delivered this week!

Our present chairs have been in use since at least the 1970's. While they have served us well, we have recently found a very good deal on new padded chairs. The new chairs are only \$25.00 each but were not included in this year's budget.

We are asking for as many folks as can to assist us in the cost of purchasing these new chairs. If you can help, please clearly mark "chairs" on your budget envelope with the amount you wish to contribute.



The new chairs will be much more comfortable and will allow us to move our current folding chairs to the new garage to be used for events there without having to haul them back and forth each time. Thank you so much for your help with this project.

Thoughts

Last Sunday we began our journey through Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. We talked about renouncing "self" and opening our life to be used by God to truly hurt with the hurting and then in turn allow Him to use us to be a blessing to those around us.

This week we will continue that journey by looking at Matthew 5:6-12. Again, it is a call to live a life counter to what the world holds high. This life is one of peace, usefulness and fulfillment. We will find that when we let go and let God guide, He will lead us into a life characterized by inner strength, contentment and outer influence and blessing for those He leads our way.

Come, join us on our adventure.

In This Together

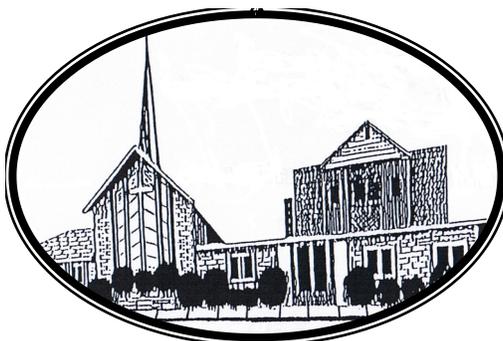
This is just a reminder of the support group for those who deal with anxiety, depression or other forms of mental illness—we meet on the second, fourth and fifth Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.

COME AND FIND ENCOURAGEMENT!

Lectionary Scripture

(February 4, 2018)

Isaiah 40:21-31
Psalm 147:1-12, 21c
1 Corinthians 9:16-23
Mark 1:29-39



Mission

*A community of believers
endeavoring to live and love
as Jesus taught.
Come—Experience
Community!*

Church Calendar

Sunday, February 4

Morning Worship 9:30am
 Sunday School 10:40am
 No Evening Activities

Monday, February 5

Narcotics Anonymous 7:00pm

Tuesday February 6

Elijah Men's Group 6:30pm

Wednesday, February 7

Ladies' Bible Study in the Library 10:00am
 Ladies' Bible Study at the Parsonage 6:00pm

Friday, February 9

Narcotics Anonymous 7:00pm

Happy Birthday



John Archer February 4
Lyndell Luster February 5
Hannah Wingert February 6
Ruth Skelton..... February 6
Mackenzie Ann Swan February 7
Layne Allen Taylor February 8
Dennis Wilson February 9
Trella Clow..... February 9

Evening Services/Activities

This Sunday, February 4, there will be no evening activities (children, youth, and adults).

Kids' Klub

The next Kids' Klub meeting will be Sunday, February 11, 6:00pm to 7:15pm. Our theme for the month is KINDNESS.

Because God is good to us, we should show kindness to others (Titus 3:4-7). Activities and lesson will be centered around our theme—KINDNESS.

Valentine projects will enhance the Biblical theme.

*** Board of Administration Meeting ***
Thursday, February 15
at 6:30pm

Bus Drivers Needed

We are currently in need of persons to drive our church van to pick up people needing a ride to our services. If interested, contact Pastor Steve or John Kramer for more details.

Statistics for January 28

Morning Service	97
Offering (weekly need—\$4,050)	\$ 2,678,62
UMC-Kay Stotts Godoy, Michael & Maria Long, Mark & Lena, Russ & Sherrie Cole (goal \$8,500) YTD	\$ 557.00
UMC-Home Missions (goal \$7,332) YTD	\$ 32.00
Love Care Offering	\$ 400.00

Prayer Needs

Eva Ryan—health
 Bob Couch—health
 Angela Coyle—health
 Geri Franklin—health
 Dan Grove—recent surgery
 Kay Franklin—health
 Michael Trout—broken collar bone
 Dean Garrett—health
 Ron Hinkel—health
 Unspoken needs
 Please continue to pray for needs previously listed.



Middle School “Blitz”

BLITZ is an overnight event for Middle School students where we go to 6 different locations throughout Richland County beginning at 7:00pm on Friday, February 16 and concluding at 7:00am on Saturday, February 17.

Free Methodist Church is the host for the event so we will start and end here at our church. We will have lessons, games, fun and pizza at the middle school at midnight.

There are only 60 spots available for each grade so make sure to go online and order your ticket now at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/blitz-2018-tickets-41770228879>.

Please make sure when registering your child you use your CHILD'S name so it will be easier for the day of the event. If you have any question, please let Stacy know.

New Baby Boy

Silas Cash Wingert made his grand entrance into the world Tuesday, January 23, 2018. He was 8 lbs, 6 oz and is 19 inches long. He is being spoiled and loved by parents, Tanner and Olivia, grandparents, Steve and Liesl and the rest of the family. Thank you again for all your prayers.

