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Notes for the Journey

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Newsletters and Sermons

You are now able to read our current newsletter and listen to the Sunday message on our church website: www.olneyfmc.org. The newsletter is also available on our facebook page ("Olney, IL. Free Methodist Church").

If you missed the sermon on Sunday or want to read the newsletter sooner than the mailed copy, this is for you.

Our website is currently being updated and revised so please be patient in the process. We are endeavoring to make it a useful tool to plug into the life and ministry of our congregation.

Thought of the Week

II Corinthians 4:7 "But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us."

Sunday we talked about how the light of God's love is hidden inside every person we meet. Some have discovered it and are living their lives based on that love. Others, do not yet realize it is there or understand its blessings. As people who orient our lives around that light, we have the tremendous opportunity to live our lives in such a way as to help others discover and uncover that light.

To do that we must remember that just as clay jars are fragile, all people are fragile and need to be handled with care. The thought for the week: "People are fragile. Handle with care."

You can listen to the entire message on our website: www.olneyfmc.com.

Retreat for 5th and 6th Grades

Several of our 5th and 6th graders along with Stacy will be enjoying a special retreat this weekend at the Wabash Park Campgrounds.

Keep the group in your prayers as they travel and that they will be blessed from the activities at the retreat.

Children/Youth Workers Training

A training session conducted by Jim Burns is scheduled for Youth and Children Ministry volunteers on September 18. It will be at Cherry Street School at 5:30pm.

This will be a very informative session and great opportunity for those working with our youth. See Stacy to register for this unique session soon.

Mission Trip Fund Raisers



Spaghetti Dinner

On Sunday, September 25, a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser for the Youth's 2017 Mission Trip will be held. This is for the whole congregation and will be held in the Fellowship Hall following Sunday School. There will be a free-will offering. We want everyone to come and eat with us!

On October 13, at 6:30pm, a "Painting Party" fundraiser will be held here at the church

The cost is \$40 each (a portion will go to the Youth) and reservations should be made soon. There are a limited number of spots so get your bid in to Stacy now.

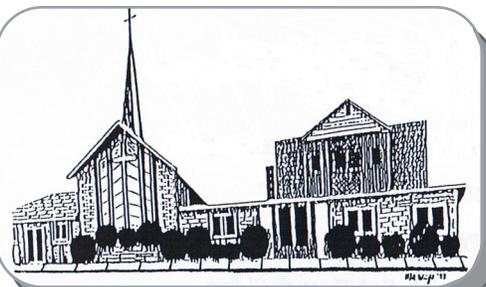


◆ Youth Mission Trip Meetings ◆

On the SECOND SUNDAY of each month, there will be a meeting for all the Youth who will be going on the 2017 Mission Trip. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall from 5:00 to 6:00pm.

Lectionary Scripture

(for September 11, 2016)
Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28
Psalm 14
1 Timothy 1:12-17
Luke 15:1-10



Mission

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, September 11

Morning Worship 9:30am
 Sunday School 10:40am
 Youth Group 6:00-7:30pm

Monday—Saturday

Men's Coffee

Wednesday, September 14

Ladies' Bible Study in the Library 10:00am

Friday, September 16

Narcotics Anonymous 7:00pm

Statistics for September 4

Morning Service	112
Offering (weekly need—\$4,050)	\$ 2,720.00
UMC-Kay Stotts Godoy, Michael & Maria Long, Mark & Lena, Russ & Sherrie Cole (goal \$8,000) YTD	\$ 5,503.00
UMC-Home Missions (goal \$6,118) YTD	\$ 2,210.00

Prayer Needs

Francine Sanders—health
 (Ron Trout's aunt)
 Jerry Harriss—Helia Healthcare
 Cheryl Wood—cancer
 Family of Phil Spillman
 Lisa Nixon—health
 Debbie Le Grande—Burgin Manor
 Camille Gaddy—health
 Family of Woodrow Hinkle
 Millie Parnell—health
 Willie Newby—motorcycle accident
 Clella Rottinghaus—health
 John Means—health
 Please continue to pray for needs previously listed



Happy Birthday



Jack Woods.....September 11
 Julie Struble.....September 12
 Levi Fritschle.....September 13
 Courtney Hopf.....September 14
 Luke Harris.....September 14
 Jennifer Smith.....September 14
 Jacob Fritschle.....September 15
 Brody William Vaughn.....September 15
 Adam Miller.....September 16
 Beverly Hicks.....September 17
 Kathy Weidner.....September 17

Happy Anniversary



Klay & Heather Wheeler.....September 11
 Heather & Dustin Thomas.....September 15
 Sonny & Elaine Sheets.....September 17

Thank You Note

Thank you Pastor Steve and Church Family for all the prayers, cards and flowers. Thank you.
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Thank You Note

To Our Church Family

Thank you for all the cards, calls, support, plant and most importantly prayers during the time of dad's illness. We truly appreciate the support at VBS so we could be with our family during this time.

The Family of Mike Nosek

WIC Needs

I would like to thank everyone for their donations to the WIC program. At this time we are in GREAT need of the following items: blankets, boy's and girl's *Infant* outfits, sleepers or onesies. We also need gift bags and tissue paper.

I was recently told that there are mothers that are so excited to receive our small gift because it's the only thing "new" they get for their baby.

If you have any questions, please call me. 393-6836 or 618-302-1300.

Kathy Trout

Christmas Musical

We would love for you to join us as we begin rehearsing for a Christmas Musical to be presented in December to celebrate Christmas in a very special way this year. This is a simple unison and two-part musical.

Please contact Pastor Steve if you would like to be a part of this production.

