



PERRYVILLE CIRCUIT NEWSLETTER

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THERE HAS BEEN NO RESPONSE TO DISCIPLE Bible Study. So, let's go another way. I would like to do two studies during the Fall. One would be a 6 week study—"What Do We Believe." This would begin after Labor Day and go through the middle of October. We will study what the United Methodist Church believes and how we can live our faith. The second would begin around Thanksgiving and would be an Advent study. This would focus on the scripture lessons for the Sundays leading up to Christmas.

We will plan on two studies during the Spring, which might include a Lenten Study in preparation for Easter. Probably we would do a study of a book of the Bible during the beginning of the year.

I do not know when these will be held each week. A suggestion was Sunday afternoon or evening or Tuesday evening. What would be better for you?

The Imagine Ministry Team wants to thank the persons who were able to be in The Connection Center during our time of having it open as a "cooling center." although we had



September 4—12th Sunday after Pentecost —Holy Communion— Exodus 12: 1-14; Psalm 149; Romans 13: 8-14; Matthew 18: 15-20. "Confrontations." How do we deal with the sin(s) of others? Talk to the person; take a witness; shun them?

September 11—13th Sunday after Pentecost—Exodus 14: 19-31; Exodus 15: 1b-11, 20-21; Romans 14: 1-12; Matthew 18: 21-35. "Our God Is an Awesome God." So Pharaoh's soldiers were ordered to follow the Hebrews and bring them back. For most of them that would mean death.

little response, we did have some positive comments from the community. The Team is exploring other opportunities for ministry in our community and beyond.

We want to have some event following some of our Perryville High School football games. We are working on some ideas. Another opportunity is to have "Service Sundays," where we would take time to do work in and around people's homes on Sunday morning during our usual Sunday School and Worship hours. We will be contacting persons in our community through the newspaper, Senior Citizen's Center, and personal contacts to find jobs which could be done as service projects in our community.

The plan is for us to go to do these jobs during our morning times, with a worship service and Sunday School classes for those who do not want to or cannot do these sorts of things. So we will have activities going on in the church building while the church (people) are in service to those around us. We are talking about doing these service Sunday projects on the last Sunday of the month and have some sharing time during the evening service, Sunday Night Live. *I emphasize* that we will have Sunday School and worship time in our church building for newcomers, visitors, and those who are not able to participate.

We are also exploring ways to support our UM-VIM (Volunteers in Mission) team members who will be going Guatemala after Christmas.

I say it often: Help us, Lord, to be the church (the Body of Christ). Amen.

Bro. David

Nominations

If you are rotating off of your committee and would like to serve in a different position, please contact Bro. David.



September 18—14th Sunday after Pentecost—Exodus 16: 2-15; Psalm 105: 1-6,37-45; Philippians 1: 21-30; Matthew 20: 1-16. "Martyrdom 101." The power with which Paul writes to the Philippians shows his faith. To live for Christ is to gain Christ.

September 25—15th Sunday after Pentecost—Exodus 17: 1-7; Psalm 78: 1-4, 12-16; Philippians 2: 1-13; Matthew 21: 23-32. "Living Testament 101." This message along with the message from last week may be the Introduction classes/ messages for all Christian people. This week: How to live for Christ.



I will be loyal to U.M.C and support it by my prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness.”



IN NEED
OF PRAYER

Carmon Anderson, Carol Allen, Opal Boshears, Annie Dodson, Mandy Gill,
Moose Griffith, Tom Kelley, Ronnie Lacy, Dona Laywell, Mike Martin, Connie McNeal,
Donna Phelan, Diane Robertson, Coach Taylor, Joe Tipton, Johnnie Mae Ware,
Don Weiss, David Womack, Lyman Womack, Patsy Womack, Penny Wegner, and

Roberta Baker

PRESENCE: During the four week period of July 24th through August 21st, we averaged 40 people in Sunday School and 80 in Worship Service. **Welcome new members: Charles Tipton and Becca Willard!** Becca’s address is 411 C St., Perryville. 405-343-8797.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE & FINANCES



Month of -7/24 - 8/21

Operating Fund

\$8818.80

Building Fund

\$3841.24

Designated Giving

\$308.00

Our Mission Statement

The mission of the Perryville United Methodist Church is to make followers of Jesus Christ through Bible Study, Worship, Fellowship, Service, and Witness, and we are to serve as a Connection Center between God, Church, and Community.

Cluster Charge Conference, October 23 Morrilton

We will continue to have Cluster Charge Conferences. This year’s will be a little different. Our charge Conference will be held in First UMC, Morrilton, on Sunday, October 23rd, at 2:30 pm.

We will meet with the following churches: Adona, Wye, Mallettown, Springfield, Plumerville, Cleveland, Overcup, Mount Zion-West and New Zion.

Our reports will have to be turned in on October 10th (two weeks ahead of Charge Conference date).

The following committees have a report to complete to be turned in on this date: Trustees, Finance, Lay Speaker reports, and Nominations. The membership report must also be included.

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee will need to recommend the Pastor’s Compensation Package in advance of the Finance Committee meeting for review and their approval. This must then be approved by the Church Council before the reports may be turned in on the 10th. [The budget for the church is not required before Charge Conference, only the Pastor’s Compensation Package.]

Our regularly scheduled Church Council meeting in September is on the 15th at 7 pm. If the reports are not complete at that time, We may have to plan on a called meeting.



The 10th anniversary of 9/11 reminds us that there are thousands of military personnel stationed around the world. Your \$5 will buy a daily devotional book that will be delivered to the men and women in active service by the United Methodist chaplains. Look for the display basket with the flags and put your \$5 in it.

Disaster Response Training for anyone interested in serving on the North Central Disaster Response Team! It will be Saturday, September 10, 2011, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at Wesley UMC in Conway. Lunch and snacks will be provided. The cost is "FREE" if you are related to a church in the North Central District. Please contact Fonda Kirkman by calling 501.329.5141 to reserve a spot! Space is limited to 24 people so call today!

The county Extension Office is looking for women to help cover the all purpose building during the fair. This is the building where the displays are shown. If you have any time to spare on the days of Thurs & Fri. the 15th and 16th of September - please sign up. There is a sign up sheet in the office, or just give Becky a call. They are asking for two hour shifts. It'll be fun!

North Central District Conference, September 18

Our District Conference for the North Central District will be held at First UMC, Cabot, on Sunday September 18th. The times scheduled for the District Conference are 2:30-4:30.

During the last two years, one of the topics of Bishop Schnase's book, *Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations*, has been the keynote topic. This year "Intentional Faith Development" will be the keynote topic with Pam Lentz and Michelle Moore being the keynote presenters. They will focus on the religious education aspect of this topic.

The plan at this time is to have a workshop on each of the topics of the book: Radical Hospitality by the Cabot UMC staff and lay leadership; Passionate Worship by the Russellville First UMC staff and laity; Intentional Faith Development (focusing on spiritual issues) by LaNell Taber; Risk-Taking Mission and Service by leadership from the Conference Disaster Team; Extravagant Generosity (on stewardship plans) by Bob Crossman. (Some of the leaders have not been confirmed yet.)

Other workshops will be as follows: PPRC by a District Superintendent; Finance Committee by Bob McCormack and Bo Conner; "Ask the Superintendent" by DeDe Roberts, and Children and Youth Network by a Conference Staff member.

The workshops at District Conference are helpful for several committees of the local church. There will be good information for the mission and ministry of the local church.



Meals On Wheels

Perryville UMC is actively involved in delivering Meals on Wheels and we are in need of more volunteers. *If there is anyone interested in volunteering their time to this cause, please call Katherine Keough at 889-3271.*

Food For Thought

Delivery Schedule-

Meals on Wheels

Aug. 29	K. Keough
Aug. 30	R.A. Smith & A. Munn
Aug. 31	I. & L. Rose
Sept. 1	I. & L. Rose
Sept. 2	M. Collins

August food offering - We donated 82 pounds of misc. items, and \$15.00 this month to Partners for Progress.



Purpose:

United Methodist Women is a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ, to develop a creative supportive fellowship and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

Perryville United Methodist Women (UMW)

Officer Elections! Planning for the new year!

September is a very important month in the life of our local UMW organization. The September meeting is when new officers are elected for the coming year, and when we discuss our aspirations for the new year. The September election will provide new officers time to reflect on the goals of the unit's members, and give them time to plan activities for the coming year. Therefore, in order to have a vibrant, "alive" organization, it is so important to have all members attend this meeting and participate in the discussions/elections. Our September meeting will be held on **Saturday, September 17 at 9:00 a.m.** While circles will continue to meet as they have scheduled, this will be the final unit meeting in 2011. The next meeting will be early in 2012 (likely in January); stay tuned for that meeting announcement.

Our nominating committee is: Lynn Baker (chairperson), Cindy Langston, Melinda Collins, and Nancy O'Such. Prayerfully consider how you would like to be involved in UMW in the coming year; see one of these members to express your interest in serving UMW as an officer.

World Thank Offering

"The World Thank Offering is an offering of spontaneous, additional gifts to United Methodist Women given out of gratitude for God's abundance and in celebration of the joys of life" (UMW, 2010, p. 57). World Thank Offering boxes were distributed at our June UMW unit meeting; we will be worshipfully bringing our World Thank Offerings (boxes are still available in the church narthex; an envelope or container of your own choosing will do!!) to the September meeting. As you add your gifts to your offering container, think about the many things that you are thankful for. Bring an item to the meeting that represents something (or someone) for which you are especially thankful. We will display these collected items at our meeting.

UMW Mission Study!

When: Saturday, October 1, 2011; 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Where: PUMC Connection Center

What: Food and Faith. This spiritual growth mission study by Wendy Whiteside is a study of faith--nurtured, strengthen and enhanced by food.

Who: Lynn Baker will be leading us in this exciting mission study.

Why: This is a wonderful opportunity for in-depth spiritual study, plus fellowship and food with your sisters in Christ!

Yours in Christ,

Linda Musselman

Know God...experience freedom as a whole person through Jesus Christ...fellowship...

participate in the ministries of the United Methodist Church:

Become a part of UMW!!

Fellowship Group will meet on Saturday, September 17, at 5:30 P.M. for a cook-out and games at the Reeder farm. September hosts are David and Lynn Baker and Bob and Brenda Reeder.

Come celebrate the end of a long, hot summer with us. Everyone is invited. If you have questions, call 432-5455 or 889-5314.



Thank You, PUMC Swat Team! We've filled the "quarter tube" to overflowing and can buy 16 mosquito nets!!
Imagine No Malaria!

SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES

- Sun. Sept. 4 9:45 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Worship Service
- Mon. Sept. 5 LABOR DAY-OFFICE
CLOSED
- Tue. Sept. 6 1:30 pm - Intercessory Prayer
- Wed. Sept. 7 6:00 pm - Handbells
7:00pm - Choir Practice
- Thurs. Sept. 8 9:00am - UMM Coffee
- Sun. Sept. 11 9:45 am-Sunday School
11:00am- Worship Service
- Tues. Sept. 13 1:30pm-Intercessory Prayer
- Wed. Sept. 14 6:00 pm - Handbells
7:00 pm - Choir Practice
- Thur. Sept. 15 9:00 am - U.M.M. Coffee
7:00 pm - Church Council
- Sat. Sept 17 U.M.W.
- Sun. Sept. 18 9:45 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Worship Service
- Tue. Sept. 20 1:30 pm - Intercessory Prayer/
Mary Marthas Meet
- Wed. Sept. 21 6:00 pm - Handbells
7:00 pm - Choir Practice
- Thur. Sept. 22 9:00 am - U.M.M. Coffee
- Fri. Sept 23 - NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
- Sun. Sept. 25 *Service Sunday*
9:45 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Worship Service
6:00pm - Sunday Night Live
- Tues. Sept. 27 1:30 Intercessory Prayer
- Wed. Sept. 28 6:00 pm - Handbells
7:00 pm - Choir Practice

Camp Aldersgate 28th Annual Fish Fry
 Sunday, September 18th
 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Tickets: Children (ages 4 - 11) = \$10
Children under 4 = Free
Adults = \$15
Senior Adults (65+ = \$10
To-Go Meal = \$15 (flat rate)

Mmmm! Good!



BLESSINGS ON YOUR BIRTHDAY

Lyle Reibe	9/1	Katie Cannant	9/22
Luke Camp	9/3	Rob Hill	9/22
Dixie Martin	9/7	Brylee Hill	9/24
Harrison JesterReeves	9/10	Steve Collins	9/24
David Baker	9/10	Lorine Wolf	9/27
Jasmine Sane	9/12	Connie McNeal	9/28
Dianna Robertson	9/14	Jon Jester	9/29
Tommy Kelley	9/15	Robert Hill Jr.	9/29
Morgan Hayes	9/19	Patrick Collins	9/30



Bob & Ruth Ann Smith 9/7
 Jack & Susan Weiss 9/25

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Pastor..... Rev. David E. Baker
Minister of Music..... Steve Collins
Pianist..... Lee Kelm
Secretary..... Becky Camp
Custodian..... Nate Spinks

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors
Sunday School 9:45 AM
Worship service 11:00 AM

Get in shape and have fun, too!

Zumba with us on Monday and Thursday at 7:00 p.m. NOW MEETING in the children's drama room.



Sunday Night Live Contemporary Worship Service

September Workers Are:

USHERS

Listed in bulletins

LITURGIST

4th Rick Fletcher
11th Linda Musselman
18th Kate Cole
25th Melinda Collins

GREETERS

Justin & Jennifer Malin

C.H.I.M.E.S

To Be Announced

COMMUNION WORKERS

Lynn Baker, Linda Musselman, Kate Cole

September's Bread Angel is Carla Kelley.



The last Sunday of every month 6:00pm

Snacks for September- 4th-Musselman 11th-Kelly
18th-Collins 25th - Gudahl