



Choir News

Happy August to you! Where HAS the summer gone? It's hard to believe we're heading back to school and getting ready for choir practices to resume. But it's getting close! We have special music planned for the rest of August, but the Sunday after Labor Day, we'll be returning to the choir loft to share our music together!

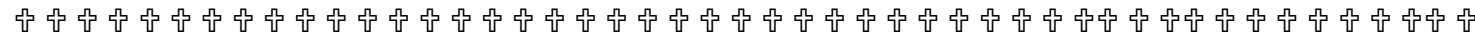
Whether you have been in choir before, or just thought about singing with us, now is a perfect time to make plans to join us! Mark your calendars for Wednesday evenings at 5:30 in the Chapel, beginning the first week of September. I look forward to seeing you then!

In the meantime, I hope you all have been enjoying our summer special music. A giant THANK YOU to all those who have played an instrument or sang for us throughout the summer!! As always, if you have something you would like to share, we'd love to add you into our worship services so you can offer your musical gifts to the Lord with us.

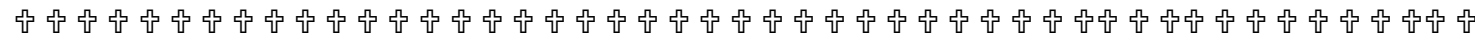
Enjoy the rest of your summer, and I'll be seeing you soon.

Serving Him with you,

Becky



Marshall Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution and Clothing Store needs your help! A large number of Clark County residents receive free food at our local food pantry each month. This can only be provided if the community supports Marshall Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution and Clothing Store with both monetary donations, donations to the clothing store, & especially volunteer time. Please remember to volunteer at the clothing store on the 3rd Saturday of every month from 8:30 to 12. Help is also needed on the 4th Tuesday of every month for food distribution from 12:00 to 4:30 PM.



We are collecting store clothing hangers for the new Thrift Shop. We only need the plastic ones that have the metal hook. Please no wire or rounded plastic hangers. A collection box is in the office hallway. Thank you!



THE MESSENGER



August 2024

From the Pastor's Pen

Grace and peace to you from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ, in the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

As I write this letter to you, I am looking out the window of my cabin at Beulah Holiness Camp, as I watch the clouds roll in for what is looking like a heavy storm. God's creation is amazing and can be troubling at times as well.

We have had a wonderful week of worship, Bible study, and fellowship. We have truly experienced a move of the Holy Spirit, and I am thankful. Even as the Holy Spirit has rained down His presence on this camp meeting, storms have gathered. One night the rain became so hard on the tabernacle roof that it became difficult to even hear the message being preached. Yet, when the message ended, God moved. The altars were filled, and lives were touched.

As I think of the storms we are undergoing and the move of the Holy Spirit I can't help but be reminded of the storm the Apostles experienced on the sea. Jesus had been teaching and healing, and the Apostles had been a part of this miraculous move of God, yet they were easily distracted by the storm.

Matthew 8:23-27 ESV, Jesus "got into the boat, His disciples followed Him. ²⁴And behold, there arose a great storm on the sea, so that the boat was being swamped by the waves; but He was asleep. ²⁵And they went and woke Him, saying, "Save us, Lord; we are perishing." ²⁶And He said to them, "Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?" Then He rose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. ²⁷And the men marveled, saying, "What sort of man is this, that even winds and sea obey Him?"

Notice something, the disciples are having a hard time. They are afraid, they are feeling alone, like they will not be able to withstand the storm. Yet all the while, Jesus was in the boat. Why were they so upset? They were upset because all they could see was the storm. Somehow, they lost sight of the fact that Jesus was in the boat. How many times do we lose sight of Jesus in the storms of life? It is so easy for us to allow the stuff/storms of life to distract us from the will and way of God. But, God has so much for us, so many blessings, and so much to do to advance His mission in the world. Even in the hard times, we need to keep our focus on Jesus, and let Him handle all our trials. Our human nature says we need to find our own way to fix our issues. But sometimes that's easier said than done. Sometimes, the things we are dealing with in our lives, or in our families, or in our church, are just too big for us to fix on our own. One of the evangelists at camp this week said, "If you can't change it, give it to God." The more I thought about that, the more I realized what great advice that is! None of us on our own can change some of the big things that are happening around us. But worrying about it doesn't change anything. Just as Jesus calmed the storm on the sea, He can calm your stormy spirit as well. As you go through the next weeks and months, try to remember, if you can't change it – give it to God.

In Christ's service,
Pastor Bill



Gilbert Clark (Gordon Clark's Brother), Candace Painter, Family of Ken Reed, Frederick Shaw (friend of Linda James), Brian Winkleman (brother-in-law of Eric Murphy), Bev Smith, Molly Macke (Patty & John's daughter-in-law), Angie Broncano (Laos missionary with cancer), Brenna Higginbotham, Eddie Gutierrez, Allyssa Henson (great granddaughter of Bev Smith), Mike Delp (friend of John & Linda James), Unspoken, Tim Bronkie (Pastor's friend), Gail Glick, Diana Bailey, Tiffany Macke, Millie Swalls (Nora & Brad Swalls' granddaughter), Kinley Nash (Lois & David Nash's granddaughter), Bishop Frank Beard, D.S. Angie Lee, Chase Brady (Joyce Gwyn's great-grandson), Peg Hintz (Tom Hintz's mother), Julie Krietemeier (Beth Macke's sister), Israel, All Long-term Healthcare Facilities in Clark County, Natural Disaster Victims, Our Missionaries

Our Military Personnel:

Our Nation, Our Nation's Leaders, and Armed Forces

Chris Bradford	John Flowers	Daniel Gard
Michael Holmes	John Kuhn	Shelby Sanborn
Lewis Sanborn	Jake Hoalt	Chaplain Jonathon Maloney

Our Homebound & Health Care Facility Residents

Violet Cook	JoAnn Donehue	Ray King
Mary E. Koutsoumpas	Phyllis Boatright	Dan Flowers
Ron Hicks	Sharon Miller	



Help, I've fallen and can't get up! I remember when that was funny. Then I was attacked by a deranged evil sidewalk. Laying on the ground battered, bruised, and beaten, it is not so funny. Where is Rev. Wiggs with his bubble wrap when I need him? Aha! I have my famous walking stick. Slowly, painfully I come to a standing position and walk to the house and sit down on the steps and call my daughter. I tell that is she is not too busy, she can come to the corner of Fourth and Beech and get me, I think I broke my arm. Little did I realize that this would be the high spot of my week. Well, Union Hospital was determined to find something wrong with me. They probed and plotted and tested everything. My diagnosis: A-fib, breathing problems, anemia, thyroid, and a broken arm. A nurse asked me if I would have someone to help me at home. I said yes, the entire congregation of the Methodist church from A to Z. I did not exaggerate. You came through with flying colors, your prayers and get-well cards are very much appreciated. Plus! I am getting Meals on Wheels for 3 months! I am eating good in the neighborhood! You are a wonderful, caring congregation and I love you all very much.



From the Church Secretary,

I would like to thank everyone for their kind words, well wishes and prayers over this past week and in the coming time as my husband recovers. For those who do not know, I will give the Reader's Digest version. I received a call saying my husband had dangerously high blood pressure and heart rate, cold sweats, confusion, and memory lapse. I left here to pick him up and take him to the hospital. After a couple of days of testing, doctors are saying he had a "cardiac episode" and a stint was placed on Wednesday 7/31. He is home and recovering well.



Prayer Focus for the month:
Teachers & Students



Loom Update: In July we finished one mat and almost a second one. We will continue to meet on Wednesdays from 10 – 12, if you would like to help. We still have bags to cut, if you don't want to weave.

The Purple Coneflower Team – Sharon Welliver, Anne Hintz, Angie Setzer, Bev Smith, & Shannon Snedeker read the most books in June with a total of 13 books read! Congratulations! The Black-Eyed Susan Team – Barb Allen, Laura Irwin, Diana Bailey, Priscilla Wieck, Diane Moore, & Karyn Paulsen read 16 books in July! Great Job!! Everyone keep reading. Challenge ends the end of August.

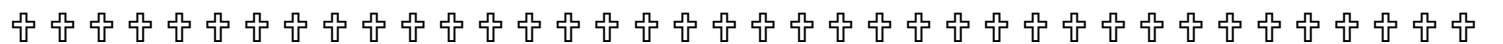
Last Book Study - Thursday, August 1, 8:30 am, at Adrienne Hutson's, Sisters In Faith -hosting

Thank you to everyone who donated and helped with the Ice Cream Social. We had an amazing selection of baked goods, and they were delicious. We raised \$565.50. A big thank you goes to Shannon Snedeker for being in charge of the Ice Cream Social.



Mark Your Calendar:

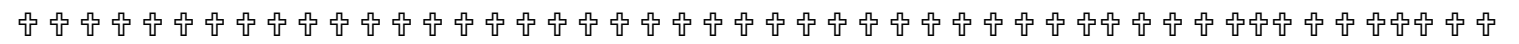
- Last Book Study - Thursday, August 1, 8:30 am Adrienne Hutson's Sisters In Faith are hosting
- UWF Board Meeting – Tuesday, August 6, 4:00 pm
- Esther Circle - Thursday, August 8, 7:00 pm
- Sisters In Faith - Thursday, August 22, 6:00 pm at the Church



Seniors



Holy Grounds Coffee Group meets every Tuesday. All are welcome to join!
6th - Marshall Family Restaurant 9AM
13th - Hollybrook 2PM
20th - Gypsy Queen 9AM
27th – Lunch-TBA



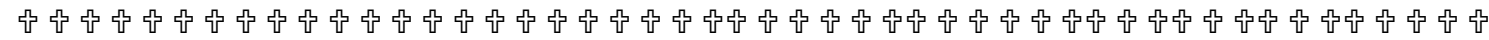
Children & Youth Ministry



What a great summer we have had with our kids here at FUMC! Summer KFC included parks, a museum, Douglas-Hart Nature Center, and picnics. 9 kids from our church plus 4 of their friends attended Camp Illiana and 27 kids had a super time at our local Camp Cornerstone. Thanks to ALL who helped out in any way with these activities.

KFC will start up again with a kick-off on Sat., Sept. 28. Watch for details in next month's newsletter.

- Our youth group will lead a service at Burnside's on Aug. 1
- August 5- Christian Skate Night- Meet at the church at 5:30PM
- Stop by the church on Aug. 6 for a cold, refreshing glass of lemonade. Some of our kids are hosting a lemonade stand for charity.
- YF Project at Dunlap Church August 13 @ 6:30 PM



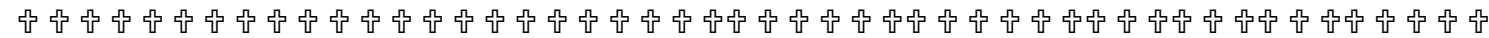
Thank you for your generous donations to Summer Lunch. I'm once again reminded of what a giving, caring church family we have. Luke 6:38 says, "Your gift will return to you in full and overflowing measure, pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, and running over." The kids, their families, and I thank you!
Kelly



**Looking for a gift? Going out to eat?
Need fuel for your vehicle?
We have SCRIP cards for these vendors
and many many more!**



Contact Angie Setzer or see Rick Manuel after church on Sundays.



Anniversaries & Birthdays Celebrations

Anniversaries

Richard & Kathy Lewis	8/4
David & Dianne Rardin	8/4
Ryan & Meghan Arthur	8/6
Alex & Malerie Mason	8/9
Brandon & Amy Daugherty	8/14
Russ & Paula Ross	8/16
Charlie & Diane Moore	8/18
Vance & Shannon Snedeker	8/20
Tyler & Tara Claypool	8/29
Dustin & Jennifer Bishop	8/31
Dave McKimmy & Darlene Hildebrand	8/31

Debby Morgan	8/1
Barb Allen	8/3
Charlene Moore	8/4
Cris Fitzjarrald	8/6
Evangeline Hutson	8/7
Jonathan Green	8/8
Kathryn Paulsen	8/8
Abby Adamski	8/9
Cooper Morey	8/11
Eli Graham	8/13
Harley Bennet	8/16
Brynna Farrell	8/18
Mike Farrell	8/18

Birthdays

Debbie Harper	8/18
Colby Claypool	8/20
Van Welsh	8/20
Jed Hutson	8/21
Steve Setzer	8/21
Kei Kendall	8/22
Karyn Paulsen	8/22
Nate Graham	8/23
Ron Hicks	8/29
Ken Macke	8/29
Cody Welsh	8/31
Meghan Arthur	8/31
Bob Sabo, Jr.	8/31

August Volunteers

Greeters- 4th – Lisa & Jack Davidson
11th- Lisa & Jack Davidson
18th – Jan Ridgway & Barb Allen
25th – Jan Ridgway & Barb Allen

Ushers – 4th & 11th – Charlie & Diane Moore
18th & 25th -

Nursery- 4th – Adrienne & Evangeline Hutson
11th – Erica & Caroline Crumrin
18th - Amy Cannady & Nancy Crumrin
25th – Tara & Sadie Claypool



Altar Flowers

4th – Bev Smith
11th –
18th – Lewis Goekler
25th – Alta Youngdahl

AUGUST 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1. UWF Book Study- 8:30 AM Adrienne Hutson's Youth Group at Burnside's	2. Exercise – 8:30 AM	3.
4.	5. Exercise- 8:30 AM Yoga- 9AM Christian Skate Night- 5:30PM	6. Youth Lemonade Stand Holy Grounds-9AM @ Marshall Family Restaurant UWF Board Meeting 4PM	7.	8. Esther Circle 7PM	9. Exercise – 8:30 AM	10.
11. UMM Co-Op Breakfast Zion UMC 7:00 AM	12. Exercise- 8:30 AM Yoga- 9AM	13. Holy Grounds-2PM @ Hollybrook YF Project at Dunlap Church 6:30 PM Trustees 7PM	14.	15.	16. Exercise – 8:30 AM First day of school for Marshall students	17. <i>Come volunteer at the Food & Clothing Bank from 8:30-12</i>
18.	19. Exercise- 8:30 AM Yoga- 9AM	20. Holy Grounds- 9AM @Gypsy Queen Come volunteer @ the Food & Clothing Bank from 12-4:30PM	21.	22. Sisters in Faith 6PM	23. Exercise – 8:30 AM	24.
25. Jr. & Sr. YF - 5PM	26. Exercise- 8:30 AM Yoga- 9AM	27. Holy Grounds – Lunch - TBA Church Council 6PM	28.	29.	30. Exercise – 8:30 AM	31.