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**I am the
way, the
truth, and
the life!
— Jesus**

Names (Please put names of all who plan to attend and which classes they plan to attend.

Adults

Children and Youth (Please note age/grade.)

Phone Number and Email

**Please include this form and any cost due to the church or call the office to sign up!
Nursery is available for children from birth to 3 years old. Please note name and age on form. Thanks!**



August 11, 2015

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**You are invited to
The First United Methodist Church
Neighborhood Block Party!!
Sunday, August 16
5:00 PM- 7:00 PM**



**Hot Dogs, Chips, and Drinks are provided!
Please bring your lawn chairs and join us!**



**Water Inflatables and Big Red Obstacle Course
Bouncy House
Cornhole
Volleyball
Plus lots of fun and fellowship!!!!!!!!!!!!**





What Exactly Is This Stephen Ministry We've Been Hearing About?

Stephen Ministry is lay caring ministry. Stephen Ministers are not counselors or therapists; rather, they are caring Christian friends who can offer a listening ear to help others through the tough times in life. Stephen Ministers are trained and supervised in their ministry. If you are going through a tough time and could use a caring friend, please let one of the following Stephen Ministers help you: Karen Bell, Donna Bayliff, Ray Blakley, Sandy Craig, Jena Jones, Jerry McAllister, Nina Nickel, Pam Rogers, or Elise Solloway.

Please note:

GriefShare will begin September 10
DivorceCare will begin September 14

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TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY WOMEN TO WOMEN

Ladies, would you like to join us on Tuesday evening for a Bible study? We will be looking At Liz Curtis Higgs' study on "Bad Girls of the Bible." Liz Curtis Higgs offers a clear-sighted, life changing approach to understanding those "other women" in scripture—such as Delilah, Jezebel, Rahab, Lot's wife, and others. Liz combines a contemporary retelling of their stories and the lessons we can learn from them. Whether they were "Bad to the Bone", "Bad for A Moment", or "Bad for A Season but Not Forever," these infamous sisters show us how NOT to handle the challenge of life. With her trademark humor and heartfelt encouragement, she teaches us how to avoid their tragic mistakes and joyfully embrace God's grace.

Please join us: Class will begin on Tuesday, September 8. 6:00-7:00 p.m.

MUSIC NEWS!

The bell choir and chancel choir have been on summer break, and it's time to crank it up again!!! The chancel choir on fire will begin practicing on Wednesday, August 12th at 7:00 pm in the music room, followed by pie and coffee at Mark and Marita's house. The Agape Ringers will begin practicing on the following Wednesday, August 19th, at 6:00 p.m. Anyone interested in joining the choir or bell choir just show up to practice! - or call Marita at 334-0792! We would love to have you share your music with us! See you soon! Marita

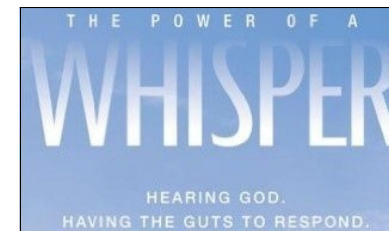


We have several opportunities coming up where we could really use your help help!!!!

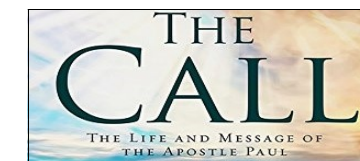
1. Sunday School substitute teachers!!
2. Neighborhood Block Party....set up, tear down, help facilitate the inflatables.....
3. Parenting Seminar on September 26. If you are willing to be a part of our team, we could really use you!!! We need help with registration, meal set up, teaching the children's component, help in the nursery, and advertising. This is a wonderful opportunity for our church and for our community. Lots of help will be needed!
4. Help serve snacks for Christ Crew and King's Kids.
5. Bible Blast.....help with donations to purchase items for the Bible Blast Store and facilitating the Bible Blast program.

These opportunities are not only for the parents of our children but for all adults in the church! Much can be gained by our children from forming relationships with adults of all ages and much can be gained from working with the children and forming relationships with them!!!! A two-way street! Please contact me to serve in one or more of these areas!

Thank you in advance! Deb



This study for adults, led by Elise Solloway, teaches you to hear God's whispers/ messages to you and how to respond to them.



Youth Bible Study

Jamison will lead the Jr. and Sr. High Students through an Adam Hamilton study of the life of the Apostle Paul, who spread the message of Jesus to many nations.

Hey, Kids!

Bible helps kids age 4-5th Grade and their families learn the Bible together. They read through a "comic book style" bible at home and then come together to answer quiz questions and win prizes! There are books to be purchased for home use. **Children's Choir**, led by Debbie Harrington, sings regularly in worship. They will also play games and have weekly **Living Inside Out** lessons that dare them to live out their faith 24/7.

More classes coming soon!

Handbells

Marita Reichenberger, our great choir director, leads our bell choir as they praise God through music.



That's What The Man Said

The Sayings of Jesus

In this video Bible study that Karen Bell will teach, Dr. Maxie Dunnam has selected some of Jesus' more demanding sayings which offer us especially powerful insights into the life Jesus calls us to lead.

PARENTING is HEART WORK

NOTE: THIS CLASS WILL BEGIN SEPTEMBER 30

Following on the heels of the "Motivate Your Child" seminar on Sat., Sept. 26, and written by the seminar's presenters, this 8 week study works off the premise that "unless you deal with a child through his or her heart, you are not likely to see lasting change." Shannon Davis will facilitate the group.

CITY WIDE YOUTH BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

Several of the Woodward youth pastors have come together to schedule and plan a back to school bash for all Jr. High and High School youth that wish to attend. It will take place on **Wednesday, September 2 from 6:30 – 8:00 pm**. Festivities will include games, free food, worship, and a speaker. This event’s location is not yet set in stone, but is tentatively set for the lawn just south of the high school. (Right across the street!)

ST. YOOTZ DAY

The youth will be attending St. Yootz Day at Frontier City on **Saturday, August 15th**. We will be leaving from the church at **11:00 am**. The cost is **\$25 + Lunch and Dinner**. This year’s concert features TobyMac. Any adults interested are encouraged to attend.

St. Yootz Day is an annual event put on by the Oklahoma Conference UMC, with proceeds benefitting the Youth Service Fund.

NEW YOUTH SCHEDULE

Beginning Sunday, August 23, Sunday evening youth will have a new split schedule.

- 5:30 – Sr. High (9th-12th) Youth
- 6:30 – All youth ages snack supper
- 7:00 – Jr. High (6th-8th) Youth

“THE GATHERING” We have taken a break for the summer. However we will resume in the fall. HOPE TO SEE ALL !!!

Christ’s Crew and King’s Kids

Christ’s Crew and King’s Kids are fun-filled after school programs that meet at The First United Methodist Church on 1111 Downs. Christ’s Crew meets on Tuesdays after school and King’s Kids meets on Thursdays after school when school is in session. We have snacks, a short Bible lesson, and play some awesome games! **We will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 8 and Thursday, Sept. 10.**

The church bus will pick up your children after school and will take them to the church. The programs are both over a 4:30. You may pick up your children at the front door of the church. Please contact Mrs. Harrington at the church (256-5515) if your child needs to be picked up from school the first time they ride. Also, let the school know they are riding the church bus. Please fill out this information & bring it with you!

Check either Christ Crew ____ Or King’s Kids ____
Your Name _____
Parents Name _____
Address _____
Phone # _____
Would you be willing to help provide snacks? Yes ____ No ____
(We will send a schedule when it is your turn to bring snacks.)

My child has permission to ride the 1st UMC bus from _____
(Name of school) to the church. _____ (Parent signature)

PRE-K BLESSING

As your child begins their school years, the church and Pastor Shannon would like to offer a blessing for Jesus to encourage their love of learning in school and at church. This is an exciting time for them as they take this step into the “big kid” school. It is also a “big parent” moment for you as you experience your child growing up! We hope you can join us **Sunday, August 16** as we extend this blessing in both of our services.



CALLING ALL 3RD GRADERS!

On **Sunday, August 16**, we will be presenting upcoming third graders with a Bible during both worship services! It’s an easy to read Bible that we think you will like to read. We hope you find how exciting the Bible is and discover how God shows you the right way to live! Most of all, we hope you read about Jesus and begin to understand how much He loves you.



Dear Church Family, We would like you for the enormous mound of diapers and the Sarah Circle who brought us the yummy meatloaf dinner. We are so blessed to be part of such a wonderful church. We are confident Remi will grow up and be influenced by all of you which will help her to be a good Christian. Thanks again—Matt, Jessica and Remi Hyman

Church Family, Shannon, thank you for the phone call and prayer when my Dad passed away. It gave me a sense of peace amongst the tears. Thank you to everyone who sent a card and prayed for me and my family. God Bless you. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated. Your Sister in Christ, Linda Hunter

To our friends and extended family at First United Methodist Church, Woodward: We sincerely thank you for the outpouring of love compassion an support you have shown our family over the last few weeks following our Mother, (Mary Spears) illness and death.

Your generous acts of kindness, not only in recent days but for many years, are greatly appreciated. The prayers, card, visits, food and more always meant so much to our mother as well as us. We have many happy memories here and you all hold a very special place in our hearts as you did hers. Thank you again and God bless. Ann Spears Jorgensen, Mary Kaye Spears Jones, and Cheryl Jones Phillips

Thank you for the beautiful flowers delivered to my home. They were so enlightening. Blessing on you! Lucille Stocking

Shannon and Church Family, Thanks so much for the phone call the day after the accident and it meant so much and for the visit also. Ed & Debbie Kinney

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN New Season Kick Off!!! Regular Meeting - - - - - August 19th Cokesbury Room 9:30 A.M. Not a regular member , but interested? Job change and schedule now works? May only be able to attend part time? Just want to learn more about **UMW?** **YOU ARE INVITED!!**



FINAL FRIDAY FEEDING FRENZY

With the new school year starting up, it is time to get back in gear for the Feeding Frenzy! The first one of the year is scheduled for **August 28th**. For those that may be unaware, the Final Friday Feeding Frenzy takes place on the final Friday of each month (imagine that!) and we provide a free lunch and brief devotion here at the church for any and all 10th-12th graders that wish to attend. It is a great ministry and a wonderful opportunity to get new youth through the church doors, but we can’t do it without a good team of volunteers!

HOW CAN I HELP? Because of the High School’s short lunch period, “Frenzy” really is a great description for this event! However, while the actual meal may be short, we could use all the help we can get for set-up and clean-up, as well serving the food. If you are free on Fridays from around 10:00am - 12:00 pm we would love to have your help. If you’re unable to help at that time, we also welcome any sweets and desserts you would be willing to provide. If you are willing to help out with this ministry please let Shannon or Jamison know any time.

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MISSION STATEMENT

“TO MAKE DISCIPLES FOR JESUS CHRIST”

8/01 Roscoe & Kelly Gunther
8/02 Woody & Pat Hamon
8/03 Kyle & Kristi Johnson
8/07 Shannon & Natalie Laverty
8/09 Dean & Eileen Hensley
8/09 Kyle & Haley Wilson
8/10 J.P. & Kelli Shirkey
8/13 Steve & Janet Walker
8/15 Jeff & Amanda Owen
8/21 Andrew & Katie Stewart
8/22 Pat & Orphi Grunewald
8/28 Barrett & Kourtnei Storm
8/29 Ray & Karen Bell



PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

Recent Hospital Stays: Bill Leonard, Kathryn Upchurch, Ramona Dauphin, Ed Kinney, Linda Hunter, Elaine Walker, Ernestine Gay

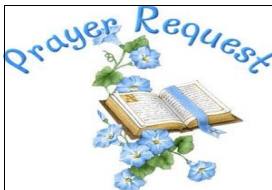
At Home: Tony Billings, Lola Stevens, Gene Ackers, Maureen Kitchens, Roy Best, Bill Leonard, Kathryn Upchurch, Ramona Dauphin, Ed Kinney

In Nursing Homes or Care Facilities:
Lahoma Grunewald, Maxine & Bennie Hammerstrom, Margaret Lewis, Barbara Carr, Merrylou Pummel, Bill Stout, Wilma Nelson, Artie Ware, Faye Riddle, Dorothy File, Linda Hunter

Other: Our Troops and their Families

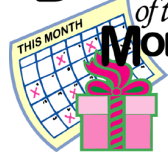
Sympathy Extended to: Family of Mary Spears, Joyce Adams & Family (Father), Family of Betty Riffel, Family of Melvin Rittenhouse, Glenda Martin & Family (Sister-in-law)

Prayer Requests: Our Prayer Team meets every Monday in the Library at 4:00 pm. You are invited to attend, or you may call the church office with specific prayer requests. (256-5515)



8/01 Ryan Barby
8/01 Judie Parsons
8/01 Harrison Riley
8/02 Lahoma Grunewald
8/02 Colton Nutter
8/03 Janis McAllister
8/03 James Sherman
8/04 Mary Bishop
8/04 Margaret Rizley
8/05 Barbara Carr
8/05 Debra Clemence
8/05 Roxy Merklin
8/06 Corey Friend
8/06 Carolyn Lewis
8/06 Carmen Shirley
8/06 Kathryn Upchurch
8/07 Yutona DeWolf
8/07 Jessica Hyman
8/07 Leslie Rainey
8/08 Katie Miller
8/09 Solomon Davis
8/10 Linda Kessinger
8/10 Lola Stevens
8/11 Loren Hartness
8/11 Jackson Shirkey
8/11 Kathy Wales
8/12 Greg Farrar
8/12 Pattie Menefee
8/12 Taden Wilson
8/13 Frank Harrington
8/14 Macie Matt
8/14 Jeff Owen
8/16 Valerie Heckart
8/18 Jai Barby
8/18 Blaire Barby
8/18 Nancy Cooper
8/18 Janet Glitsch
8/18 Scott Grunewald
8/18 Darla Reidlinger
8/19 Bettie Casteel

Birthdays of the Month



8/19 Jude Mead
8/19 Shane Smithton
8/20 Helen Dodd
8/22 Angie Bouse
8/22 Judy Habekott
8/22 Alex vonBidenfeld
8/25 Brian Humphries
8/26 Laney Marlatt
8/27 Jennifer Barby
8/28 Scot Clemence
8/28 Patrick Leahy
8/30 Leah Barby
8/31 Bill Hodsdon
8/31 Vickie Cook
8/31 Shannon Davis
8/31 Linda Meyer
8/31 Kinzley Glitsch



Attention: Parents of 6th-7th Graders!
Confirmation Class Now Forming

Our pastor, Shannon Davis, is looking to hold confirmation classes this coming school year, beginning in September. Letters will be going out VERY soon to current 6th and 7th grade students and their families for an orientation meeting, which will be held Sunday, August 23 at 4:30pm. We think we have a complete list, but if you are interested in your child participating, contact the church office to let us know. We don't want to miss anyone!

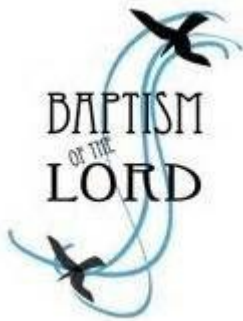
WELCOME NEW MEMBERS !



Lane Cartwright and his father, Jeremy Cartwright, were baptized during the worship services on June 28. Jeremy also took the vows of church membership the same morning. Lane's mother/ Jeremy's wife Kylea Cartwright joins them in this photo. Lane's grandparents are Ron and Karla Wilson, and his great-grandmother is Mary Kyle.



Jacen Grivich was baptized on July 5. He is the son of Matthew and



Devin Peck was baptized and took the vows of church membership on August 2nd. He is the son of David Peck and the grandson of Wanda and Lloyd Peck. Devin will be a Freshman at OSU this Fall.



Central Oklahoma Flood Recovery Work Day

Saturday, September 12, 6:00am-8:30 pm

Just as we did a couple of years ago after tornadoes ravaged Moore, a team from Woodward First is going to go down and help with recovery efforts from the floods that destroyed thousands of homes across Oklahoma through the Spring and early Summer. We will meet up early Saturday morning at the church, drive down and work several hours, then return home to Woodward in the evening. The only cost will be for meals and snacks. We will likely be doing stuff like basic demolition/ cleanup or installing sheetrock. If you are interested in going, contact Shannon at the church office. There are some medical and liability forms to be filled out in advance.



Decklan Kelman was baptized on July 19. He is the son of Jessica and Dustin Kelman, the grandson of Roger and Sandy Hammerstrom, and the great-grandson of Maxine and Benny Hammerstrom.