

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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MISSION STATEMENT
“TO MAKE DISCIPLES FOR JESUS CHRIST”

12/01 Merrill & Yvonne Branstetter
John & Candyce Kline
12/02 Gene & Louise Cook
12/05 Dale & Connie Barnett
12/07 Don & Ramona Dauphin
12/17 Bill & Debbie Hodsdon
12/21 Lonnie & Jamie Shirkey
12/24 Loren & Mandi Hartness
12/28 Del & Betty Roberts
12/29 Bruce & Sheryl Benbrook
Randy & Janet Glitsch
Aaron & Selena Marlatt
12/31 Kent & Judie Parsons



12/01 John Riley
Connie Wise
12/02 Caroline Price
12/04 Malaya Bodin
12/06 Ray Blumer
Adely Friend
Vivienne Humphries
Mae Leonard
12/07 Howard Adams
12/09 Ella Bouse
12/11 Sid Woolfolk
12/12 Raney Lahann
12/13 Rebekah Gore
12/14 Claudia Donley
Sarah Hall
12/16 Warren Gore
Pat Grunewald
12/17 Dale Barnett
Kellie Reidlinger
Larry Sunderland
12/18 Merrick Moyer
Mandy Rowley
Susan Sims
12/19 Keith Elwood
12/20 Ryan Hayes
12/21 Tyler Bryant
Jared Parsons
12/22 Steve Snider
12/26 Heather Harrington
12/27 Laura Toellner
Kayla Wilson
12/28 Wilber Cheap
Ted Craighead
12/29 Mandi Hartness
Jake Mead
Jane Williams
12/31 Harper Johnson
Donna Toellner



PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

Recent Hospital Stays: Betty Steenberg, Mae Leonard, Mary Lou Scott

At Home: Lola Stevens, Gene Ackers, Maureen Kitchens, Roy Best, Bill Leonard, Ramona Dauphin, Ed Kinney. Linda Hunter

In Nursing Homes or Care Facilities:

Lahoma Grunewald, Margaret Lewis, Maxine & Bennie Hammerstrom, Barbara Carr, Merrylou Pummel, Bill Stout, Wilma Nelson, Artie Ware, Faye Riddle, Dorothy File,

Other: Our Troops and their Families

Sympathy Extended to:

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)



Happy Thanksgiving

2015 Advent and Christmas Schedule

Sunday, November 29

8:30 & 10:50 a.m. 1st Sunday of Advent Worship Services

Sunday, December 6

8:30 & 10:50 a.m. Choir on Fire Presents “The Heart of Christmas”
4:30 p.m. WW 1st UMC Children Present “The Loaned Manger”

Sunday, December 13

8:30 & 10:50 a.m. 3rd Sunday of Advent Worship Services
3:30 p.m. Music for the Manger -An Afternoon of Christmas Music

Sunday, December 20

8:30 & 10:50 a.m. 4th Sunday of Advent Worship Services

Thursday, December 24

6:00 & 8:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Services

Sunday, December 27

8:30 & 10:50 a.m. Christmas Worship Services



You Can't Drive Anymore

You can't drive to church anymore.
You can't get the cap off the medicine bottle.
You feel frustrated because you can't do these things, and you've always been very independent.

A Stephen Minister would like to listen.

For more information about how to be assigned a Stephen Minister:
Contact Karen Bell

Remember our groups are still in session.
Not too late to join us.

DivorceCare
Monday 6:00-8:00

GriefShare
Thursday 6:00-8:00

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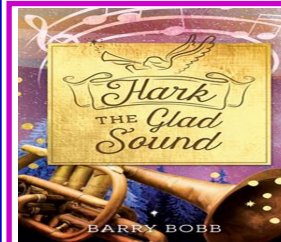
Sunday, November 15, 5:00 p.m.
Hosted by
First Presbyterian Church
(721 Oklahoma Avenue)

The Woodward Ministerial Alliance would like to invite you to a gathering of Christians across Woodward to join together for a time of worship and thanksgiving to God. There will be music, prayer, an offering to support the Alliance's aid to local persons in need, and an inspirational sermon. We'll also enjoy desserts together afterward. What a great way to kick off Thanksgiving Week!



Thursday, November 19
Noon-6:00 p.m.

Our church is hosting this blood drive, which is open to the community. We could use a couple of people to work in the canteen, to help with registration, and escort donors to walk people from the donation beds to the canteen. Let Shannon or Lora know if you would be able to help by calling the church office at 256-5515.

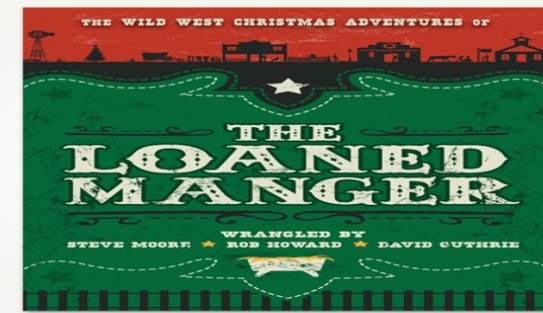
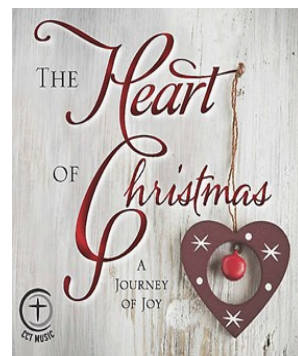


FREE!
Advent Devotional Books
Available November 22
A Christmas Gift to You
from Shannon, Jan, Jacob,
Solomon, and Eli Davis

This year's advent devotional books are a little bit different. Instead of individual devotions for each day of Lent, there are lyrics to 12 Christmas hymns and the story behind the composition of each one. Perhaps you can make the hymn your devotion one day, followed by its story the next. Please take one per family and lift up your praises to the savior born to save the world!

Choir on Fire
Christmas Cantata
Sunday, Dec. 6
8:30 and 10:50 a.m.

Merriam Webster's Collegiate Dictionary defines the heart as "the central or innermost part of something." Well, we know who the "heart of Christmas" is – it's Jesus, the babe born to Mary! This musical presentation is "packed full of high-energy celebration songs, warm heartfelt moments, fresh contemporary settings, seasonal favorites, and meaningful worship moments!" The choir will be accompanied by a mini-orchestra. Be sure to come and bring lots of friends!



The children's Christmas program, The Loaned Manger, is December 6 at 4:30 pm. The children are working hard and it is sure to be a great way for you to kick off the Christmas season. Please mark your calendars to attend and support them!

Parents, we have some additional dates for practice. In addition to the Wednesday evening practices from 6:00-7:00 (except for the Wednesday before Thanksgiving) we will add two Sunday practices. We will practice on November 22 and November 29 at 5:00 pm. Please have your children here to practice. The songs are available on iTunes if you would like to download them for your children.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Debbie



Youth in December

12/6 – Woodward Christmas Caroling

All Youth (6th-12th grade) will be loading up on hot chocolate at the church, then hitting the streets in Woodward to sing Christmas carols for some of our home-bound congregation members.

12/12 – Christmas Service Trip to OKC

We will be visiting Neighborhood Service Organization, a United Methodist ministry in OKC and Moore, where we will be caroling to their housing for formerly homeless residents.

12/20 – Youth Christmas party

All youth are invited out to this fun last Sunday before Christmas. We will have food, and be playing White Elephant, for which youth should bring a gift (\$10 or less). We will then be watching the holiday classic Elf.



FUMC Church Family,
Thank you for all the prayers, card, calls, and visits, during my recent stay in the hospital.. I am happy to be back home at Providence Place, where I am continuing to heal. God bless you,
Maxine Hammerstrom

Dear FUMC.
Thank you for the new Bible,
Thank you, Love, Tegan Marlatt

Church Family,
Thank you so much for the Walmart gift card and the wonderful meal! It is very much appreciated and helped us a lot. Also thank you so much for the support in our new adventure that God has taken us on.. Our Little Man loves coming to church and knows he is loved by all of you!
Thanks again, Austin, Kendra & Little Man Miller



March 2017

Shannon Davis plans to lead tour of the Holy Land in March of 2017. It will be a 10 day trip that will include Spring Break. We will see The Sea of Galilee, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jerusalem, and my other sites that you've only read about in your Bibles. Exact dates, costs, and other details will be announced at a later time. Rev. Davis plans to hold informational meetings beginning early next year for those interested. But be thinking and praying about how you might be able to go on this inspirational journey to the land God gave His chosen people, the land where most of the Bible happened, and where Jesus lived out his entire ministry!

Cost: Approximately \$3500 per person