



Is Stephen Ministry your ministry?

Are you the one friends call on
When trouble comes their way?
Are you the one who holds their hands
During a hospital stay?

Are you the one who gives support
To those who are feeling blue?
Accept that this is your spiritual gift
And Stephen Ministry is for you.

By way of Christian caring
You can administer God's grace and love.
Submit unto your calling
And receive blessings from above.

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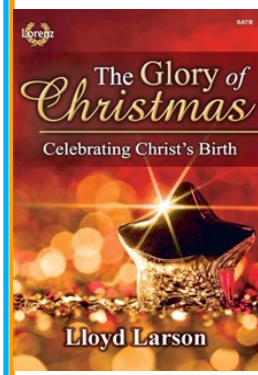
**Church Raising Funds For
Additional Parking Lot**

Can you guess how many parking spaces the church currently has? The answer is 155. We have many occasions where we run out of spaces – well -attended funerals and big worship services at times like Easter and Christmas Eve, along with special district events and fundraisers like the UMW Spaghetti Dinner. Additionally, we will lose another nine spaces in order to provide space for a driveway back to the Circle of Care homes. With this in mind, the Trustees, in conjunction with the Finance Committee and Administrative Council, have affirmed a plan to build 32 additional parking places to the West of the current building. The cost to build this lot will be between \$25,000-\$30,000. We will not build until we have raised the necessary funds. To date we have raised \$7,100.00. To contribute, make out your check to the church and write “parking project” on the subject line.



**Tuesday , November 13
11:30am-5:30pm**

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.



**Sunday, December 9
8:30am & 10:50 am**
Through a blend of carols and original songs, the Choir on Fire will help us all experience the beauty of the incarnation story as if we're experiencing it for the first time. The choir will be accompanied by a mini-orchestra. Be sure to come and bring lots of friends!



Straight Outta Bethlehem

Please join us on Sunday, December 9 at 4:30 PM for the annual Children's Christmas Program.

This year the title is **Straight Outta Bethlehem.**

The children are super excited to share the true meaning of Christmas with the congregation. Please make

an extra effort to come and support them on the 9th. After the program we will have cookies and a visit from a very special guest!

Flow is over for the first semester on November 14.



Bible Blast will resume on January 9
During the break between semesters please do Bible Blast #13 &14 and be prepared to answer the questions for Bible Blast #15 when we resume after Christmas.

Happy Birthday Baby Jesus

We will be having a birthday party for Baby Jesus during Sunday School on December 23th. Please allow your children to bring a gift for the Pregnancy Center to be placed under the tree. These could be diapers, wipes, bottles, rattles, etc.



I would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the Fall Festival/ Trunk or Treat! I could not pull these things off without the people who pitch in and help me out!!! Debbie

REMINDER:

No Monday Blast, Christ's Crew, or King's Kids if school is not in session



**Sign Up to Help Ring the Bells Outside Walmart
On Saturday, Dec 1 and/or Friday, Dec. 7**

For our December project, our outreach committee has committed the church to ringing the bells to collect funds for the Salvation Army. On Saturday, December 1, we will be covering both entrances from 9am-6pm. On Friday, December 7, we will be covering the same two entrances from 2pm-6pm. Signup sheets will be outside the sanctuary beginning Sunday, November 18. All funds collected go to help people right here locally in Woodward County.



Ladies of the FUMC, & UMW,
A closet full of diapers! What more could we ask for? Thank you so much for providing this ministry for families in our church. We feel extremely blessed by it.

Much Love, The Fanning Family

Church Family,
I would like to thank the church family for thanking of Presleigh and our family at this time. We really appreciate the diapers and wipes.

The meal was delicious.
Dustin, Tara, Zoey , Cooper, & Presleigh Smith

Dear FUMC,
Thank you for all the diapers. JoLee is truly blessed to have an amazing church family.
Love, The Province's

Dear Church Family,
Words cannot express the love and support we felt from all of you during the last three months. It was a very difficult time in our lives. Rick & I wish to say “Thank You” for all the cards, prayers, gifts, and concerns. I had a great partner, family, support group and a Great Big Wonderful God, with me at all times.

Love & Prayers for all of you, Rick & Lora

**This Year's Advent Devotion Book is by
People You Know!**



Finishing touches are now being put on the Advent Devotion books that is written by members of our church! They will be available in a couple of weeks, and the daily readings will be set to begin

on Sunday, December 1 There's some really cool, touching stories that you'll surely want to read!

Woodward County Christian Emergency Response Volunteer training

By Matt Lehenbauer, Office of Emergency Management

Saturday, November 17 10:00 a.m. to Noon
First United Methodist Church

For pastors and church members desiring to form and organize a Christian Emergency Response Volunteer Team. Training will assist the churches and their pastors to work with the Office of Emergency Management to provide the most effective and efficient assistance needed during times of disaster. For more information, contact Shannon at 580-256-5515



**Sunday, November 18, 6:30 p.m.
Hosted by First Church of the Nazarene
(400 Downs 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. This year, we are honoring the Woodward Fire Department as well. We'll also enjoy desserts together afterward. What a great way to kick off Thanksgiving Week!