

We will be having our annual Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 31 from 4 to 6:00 p.m. at Boynton United Methodist Church in the back parking lot.

To stay within the CDC guidelines we ask that you decorate your trunk and then set up a decorated chair with the bowl of Candy so the Trick or Treaters can get it out safely and from a distance. If you would like to dress up that would be an added bonus for the kids!! We will be serving pre-wrapped hotdogs, chips, a Little Debbie and a drink so we need your help with some items to make our Trunk or Treat a success! Items needed are hot dogs, hot dog buns, Little Debbie's, individual snack sized chips, canned drinks, juice boxes/Capri Sun, bottled water and Halloween Candy. You can drop the refrigerated items off in the church refrigerator, the candy in the Halloween Candy box and the other items on the table marked Trunk or Treat supplies. If you would like to sign up for a trunk please see Julie Dietz (423-595-4697) or Rebecca Barrett (423-304-6507). We appreciate your support!

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October 2020

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall Humpty Dumpty had a great fall.

So here we are in the midst of what we could call 'a great fall!' For this year has been like no other. We have been concerned and isolated and instructed. Some have been sick, all have been affected. I think we could call this year a valley or a dip or a fall! But we come to this time of year that we call Fall, and realize that as the natural world closes down, leaves fall, preparing for winter- it is a promise of what is to come. For during the winter- bears get their rest, bugs are killed, plants are prepared for their cycle of regrowth. Sometimes great things can come of times of shut down. I believe God is at work in the midst of this pandemic, and as things that we call difficult occur, God will find a way to redeem this time. In times when the future seems uncertain, our words are HOPE and FAITH. Romans 8:28 "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God and are called according to his purpose." In the middle of difficult times there is more than we see, and God is in it and has it. Thanks be to God!

Great things are happening at church as we start to safely gather together: small groups, worship services, dinners, opportunities to serve, youth and children gathering. We continue to be the church- all of us: those who can be 'on site' and those who join virtually. We worship and pray and give and love - as the church should, following God in hope and faith. We wait to see what God will do.

Thanks All,

Pastor Nena

October

Thursday 10/1 Prayers & Stitches in Heritage Hall 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday 10/20 UM Women in Heritage Hall 7:00 p.m.
Sunday 10/25 UM Men Breakfast in Heritage Hall 8:30 a.m.
Saturday 10/31 Trunk or Treat in back parking lot 4 to 6:00 p.m.

Our Holy Communion Offering is for World Communion Sunday

Sunday, October 4, 2020

World Communion Sunday is one of the six special offerings
Sundays in our denomination. Our special offerings on World Communion Sunday provide "leadership scholarships" for national & international UMC graduate students; undergraduate "ethnic scholarships" for national and international UMC students within the U.S.; and "ethnic in-service training (non-degree)" scholarships for UMC racial and ethnic students from around the world. In other words, we provide financial support for the education of United Methodist student leaders who would otherwise struggle to find the finances they need. We are given an opportunity to support education, just as John Wesley did, and just as Methodists have always done!



Jessica Settlemire is our new BKidz Day Out director. Please let Jessica at 423-243-7354 or the church office know if you have children that you would like to bring to our mother's day out program.

You are invited by your Pastor's family
to gather at the Parsonage Deck.
For safety, we will have sign up to limit
numbers.

The first two dates available are
October 11 and 25 at 4:00 p.m.
We will reschedule for bad weather.
Call the Church office to sign up or
Sign up sheet on table as you enter on Sunday.
Plan to come one of the times.

From Your Financial Secretary

He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, took him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the Innkeeper; "Look after him," he said, "and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expenses you may have." Luke 10:34-35

An expert in Jewish law came to Jesus and questioned Him about what he should do to inherit eternal life. When Jesus told him to love God above all and his neighbor as himself, the expert challenged Jesus on who his neighbor was. He hoped to be given a list of people he had to treat right, but Jesus doesn't let him off so easily.

In response, Jesus relates to the story of a Samaritan who not only stops to care for the injured man, but also pays his expenses. Jesus is telling the expert of the law that our neighbors are everyone around us since Jews would never have considered the Samaritans their neighbors and vice versa.

The Samaritan's response shows us that Jesus calls us to give ourselves away to other people. That is what it means to be a neighbor. We put others' needs ahead of our own. (Phil 2:1-4) Jesus shows two ways to help others. First, the Samaritan gave his time to the injured man. Secondly, he used his personal finances to help this stranger. Generosity is not easy: there is a personal cost in giving of ourselves.

How about you: Are you ready to meet the challenges that Jesus gave the expert in the law? Are you ready to be the kind of neighbor who gives of him/herself in both you time and finances? Where will you be involved in giving yourself away?

Financial Report August, 2020

Income:	\$18,513.26
Expenses:	\$24,612.36

Thank you for your faithful giving.

Did you know...the church operating fund covers all costs relating to the upkeep and maintenance of our parsonage. So far this year, we have spent \$2,566.30 for yard maintenance, plumbing, and heating/air conditioning repairs.

The Upper Room devotionals for September / October are here at the church to pick up on Sunday located on the table in the back hallway or you can download them free of charge from the Upper Room at <https://www.upperroom.org/covid-19>. Just follow the prompts and you can download the July/August copy of

the Upper Room so you can read your devotional each day.



October

1	Dennis Jones
4	Iris Eaves
7	Varen Thacker
8	Howard Thomas
9	Ella Rambin
13	Leldon Wilson
13	Margie Merritt
15	Janet Price
15	Judy Thornton
17	Jim Cospier
17	Alan Grist
18	Steven Burchard
22	Mike Bishop
23	Don Cardwell
24	Morgan Mullens
25	Milton Rosser
27	Susan Wooten
30	Margie Bird



14	Dale & Ida Burwitz
22	Mike & Deborah Craft
25	Carl & Nancy Bunch
25	Nick & Rebecca Barrett
29	Steve & Sally Abercrombie



Since school has started back our youth and children will be meeting every Wednesday night

with social distancing either in the church or outside.



October 7	Chicken Tenders w/2 sides, bread Dessert
October 14	Hamburger w/2 sides, bread and Dessert
October 21	Chicken Casserole w/2 sides, bread Dessert
October 28	Pork Sandwich w/2 sides, bread Dessert

Starting in October we will have catered meals for Wednesday Night Supper. The cost will still be \$6.00 a meal. To continue social distancing we will limit reservations to 30 people. **Reservations and money must be in the church office by 3:00 p.m. on Monday each week.** If the crowd grows to more than 30 people each Wednesday night, we will need to only allow people every other week.

We need bakers to volunteer to make desserts and we will pay each one \$10 to cover costs of desserts. Please contact the church office if you would like to make dessert for our Wednesday Night Suppers.

Servants for October (as conditions allow)

Combined Worship 10:30 a.m.

Greeters

4	Jarrett & Sheri Eschenfelder
11	Fay Peters / Kay Harper
18	Jim Cospier / Sandra Smith
25	Sally Abercrombie / Nancy Bunch

Host/Hostess

Lois Nix	423-322-8449
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Head Usher

Steve Abercrombie	423-505-6070
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Church community

Sherma Addington – health concerns
 Bertha Baker – recovering from a fall
 Charlie Ball – lymphoma / fell & broke ribs
 Jan Ball – multiple sclerosis / lupus
 Tom Billington
 Neil Bird
 Dale Burwitz and Ida Burwitz
 Barbara Chambers
 Donna Cooper – health issues
 Nancy Dutto – congestive heart failure
 Iris Eaves
 Dot Gilbert
 Janice Harding
 Tom Harris – heart concerns
 Wanda Harwood –shoulder surgery 9/28/20
 Rickey Howard – other issues, Deborah Levin’s son
 DeAnne Huskey
 Lisa Huskey
 Jill Lindey’s son Kyle
 Jan Elle Mooney – health concerns
 Nancy Perry – stage 4 kidney disease
 Theo Pinkston
 Judy Plemons – recovering from knee surgery
 Cathaleen Rivers – seizures
 Wayne & Rebecca Shaw - bronchitis
 Lamar Stone
 Chuck Thacker
 Judy Thornton
 Sadie White
 Amy Williams – surgery on broken ankle
 Harvey Williams
 Sue Williams
 Steve & Annie Wyatt

Cancer

Whitney Adkins, niece of Wanda & Tommy Harris
 Fred Baer – lung, requested by Julie Dietz
 Bill Beagan - multiple myeloma, friend of Howard & Glenda Thomas
 Bill Bradley – multiple myeloma, Ann Orr’s brother-in-law
 Ann Brooks – lung with hospice care, Haley McCullough’s grandmother
 Gaye Coker – lymphoma, friend of Debbie Craft
 Scott Eldridge, Claire McCullough’s cousin
 Cecil Geter – father of Carolyn Bonner
 Danny Gibbs – bladder, uncle of Lisa Huskey
 Anne Heiling – intensive care w/infection, cousin of Claire McCullough
 Nancy Howard & family – Hospice (lung), grandmother of Amy Levin & Rickey Howard (Deborah Levin’s mother-in-law)
 Lawrence Levan – Dot Gilbert’s brother
 Jill Lindey – tonsils – praise – no concern found
 Howard Mathes – lung, uncle of Lee Shirley / Sharon Guffey
 Co-worker’s husband –liver and pancreatic, co-worker of Claire McCullough
 Helton Phelps – lung, (in Hospice Care) pray to grow closer to God, brother of Connie Noland
 Heidi Dietz Pursley – breast, sister of Barron Dietz
 Carla Ramos – tumor, co-worker of Debbie Craft
 Glenda Shropshire – pancreatic, friend of Darraj family
 Chris Wolfe – prostate, friend of Barron Dietz

Our Mission Field

For Boynton UMC to reach people for Jesus Christ
 BUMC Worship Services (Contemporary and Traditional)
 Sunday School
 Student Ministry / BKidz Children’s Program
 BKidz Day Out Program
 Stephen Ministry
 Prayers & Stitches
 Recovery at Ringgold
 My New Normal (Parents of Special Needs Kids) support group
 Christ’s Chapel Share & Care Mission
 Nicaragua

Homebound/Senior Facilities

Tom Billington, Margaret Bowman, Charlie Ball, Lois Dietz
 Lois Dunn, Stacy Mashburn

Our Church

Pastor Nena & Dennis Jones and Inez Geisler, Nena’s Mother
 Our BUMC staff and their families: Linda, Carl, Gigi, Katie,
 Joe, Diane, Ellen, Janet, Julie, Rebecca and Jessica
 Our church, our community, our nation, our world
 Our New Building and Renovated Sanctuary Project
 The United Methodist Church

Other requests

Prayers for those infected with coronavirus
 Randall Franks – recovering from hip surgery
 James Kennedy – age 86 at NHC, Barbara McCroskey’s brother
 Lucille Spence, age 96 at NHC, former neighbor of Barbara McCroskey
 Amy Whifman, daughter of Virginia Vandiver

Prayer for October



Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer...Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Romans 12:12,15, NIV

Lord our God, we thank you for your gospel, the great, good tidings we may carry in our hearts to give us joy in this present time, even though on all sides people are in anguish and agony. We thank you that your gospel fills our hearts with compassion, enabling us to help carry what many have to suffer. Show us our need of you so that we can receive your help. If we must be the first to suffer all kinds of pain and distress, may we do so joyfully because we have been promised blessing in the midst of all the pain. May we continually honor your name, praising you for the good news of your kingdom, for the promise that everything must work together for good through Jesus Christ the Savior. Amen.

-Submitted by Mike Harris, Prayer Chair



Children’s Feeding Program



www.bienestarnicaraguainc.org

Do all the good YOU CAN.
 BY all the means you can.
 IN ALL THE PLACES YOU CAN.
 At all the times YOU CAN.
 To ALL THE PEOPLE you can.
 AS LONG as you ever can.
 john westley

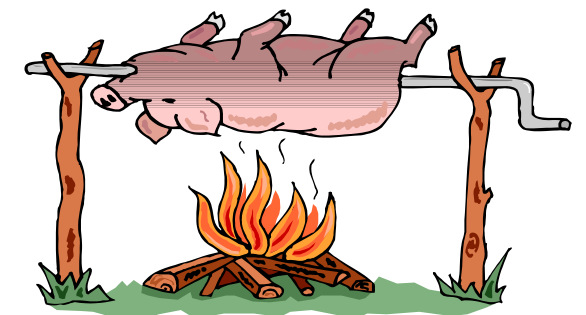
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 134 Garden Terrace
 Ringgold GA 30736
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We will be starting a new Adult Sunday School Class in Heritage Hall on Sunday, October 18, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. with Andrew Stone teaching the class.

Until our regular classes can meet again – this will give us an opportunity to study together.

United Methodist Men’s Fund-raiser



UMM SELLING PORK BUTTS \$40.00 Each
 Pre-order required. Pick up date will be Saturday, October 10, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Heritage Hall.

Prayers & Stitches



Prayers & Stitches will meet on Thursday, October 1, 2020 in Heritage Hall with social distancing.

A shawl can be requested by calling the church office or talking with any member of our group, Prayers and Stitches: Patty Bishop, Sandra Smith, Lisa Huskey, Ann Orr, Pastor Nena Jones or by contacting Glenda Thomas at 423-902-4321 or email me at gthomas346@comcast.net



Christ's Chapel Share & Care Mission is in need of **canned or dry beans, canned greens, spinach** during the month of October. Please leave the items under the mailboxes in the hallway across from the women's restroom or place on the altar on Sunday, October 25.



Next Men's Breakfast
Sunday, October 25, 2020
8:30 a.m. a.m. in Heritage Hall
(please note time change)

Our thanks to everyone for their support of the *Shoes for Orphan Souls* Shoes and Socks Drive. We shipped 105 pairs of shoes and 233 pairs of socks.

UMM will be selling pork butts again this year. Pick up date will be Saturday, October 10, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Heritage Hall. The price will be \$40.00 each and you may place your order with Jim Cospers or call the church office by Wednesday, October 7. Once again, we thank you for supporting the Methodist Men.

Jim Cospers
 UMM President



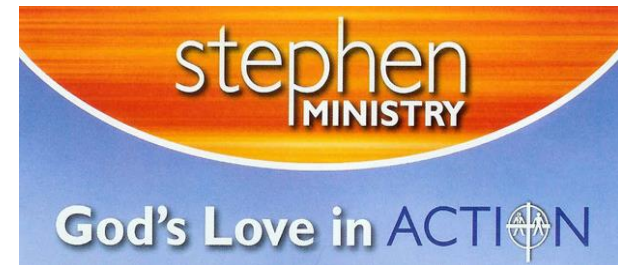
At our September meeting, Tracey Winget, Director of the Women's Crisis Center spoke to us about the women who come to the Center. The Center can house up to 24 persons. They help the women get back on their feet and to move on with their lives. The UMW gives financially each quarter to the Center.

We are making plans for our Women's Luncheon for next April 10.

Our next meeting is October 20. We will meet in the Koinoina classroom.

Blessings,
 Ann Orr
 UMW President

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 October Calendar



Stephen Ministry Care Mail reminds us that as the COVID-19 crisis continues to wear on, many people are experiencing pandemic fatigue – the mental and emotional exhaustion that comes with the stresses and challenges we are facing. More and more people are feeling worn down by this ongoing crisis and in need of care

That is where we as church friends, co-workers and family members can lend a helping hand by providing care, compassion, community and a listening ear. We need to reach out to these folks.

Or perhaps you are one of these experiencing this pandemic fatigue and are in need of that care and listening ear. Please reach out to someone you feel will be there for you in times like these.

Our *Stephen Ministers* currently all have care receivers. Even though you may not be a *Stephen Minister* that does not mean you can't reach out to those you believe to be struggling.

The *Stephen Ministry* Team



October Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 6:00 p.m. <i>Prayers & Stitches</i> in Heritage Hall	2	3
4 10:30 a.m. Facebook Live 10:30 a.m. Combined service with social distancing	5	6 6:30 p.m. Jonah Bible Study in Heritage Hall	7 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper in HH (sign up and pay required) 6:45 p.m. Choir Practice 6:45 p.m. Children / Youth	8	9	10 10:00 to 1:00 p.m. UMM Pork Butt Pick Up in Heritage Hall
11 10:30 a.m. Facebook Live 10:30 a.m. Combined service with social distancing 4:00 p.m. Parsonage Deck get together	12	13 6:30 p.m. Jonah Bible Study in Heritage Hall	14 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper in HH (sign up and pay required) 6:45 p.m. Choir Practice 6:45 p.m. Children / Youth	15	16	17
18 9:30 a.m. Sunday School in HH 10:30 a.m. Facebook Live 10:30 a.m. Combined service with social distancing	19	20 6:30 p.m. Jonah Bible Study in Heritage Hall 7:00 p.m. UM Women in Koinonia Classroom	21 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper in HH (sign up and pay required) 6:45 p.m. Choir Practice 6:45 p.m. Children / Youth	22	23	24
25 8:30 a.m. UM Men Breakfast 9:30 a.m. Sunday School in HH 10:30 a.m. Facebook Live 10:30 a.m. Combined service with social distancing 4:00 p.m. Parsonage Deck get together	26	27 6:30 p.m. Jonah Bible Study in Heritage Hall	28 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper in HH (sign up and pay required) 6:45 p.m. Choir Practice 6:45 p.m. Children / Youth	29	30	31 4 – 6:00 p.m. Trunk or Treat at Boynton UMC