



This past Sunday was Children's Sabbath. Thank you to Jane Gibbs and the UMW for leading the church in a beautiful service of worship and celebration of children. I was excited to see so many children in worship and experience the excitement each child expressed during the children's sermon. In that sermon, Jane Gibbs shared a word and concept with the children that they are BELOVED by God. I hope the adults were paying attention to Jane's thoughts. We all need to be reminded that we are the BELOVED ... that God calls beloved and loves us – period, full stop. Put aside any notions that God's love is conditional. God's love is given freely. Jane led the children in a prayer; asking them to repeat each line after her. There was some struggling with remembering the words they just heard, but the effort to repeat the words of praise and thanksgiving, and to acknowledge their belovedness is a gift to us and especially to God.

Above these remarks is a photo of the message card Jane used to show our children the word BELOVED to emphasize the importance of their and our understanding of how God relates to us ... In the next few months we will continue to explore the depth of this reality of our belovedness in study groups and in Sunday worship. Our understanding that God calls us the Beloved, and our claiming this truth as our own, is essential as we seek to grow in our faith, and as we work to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ. Knowing and claiming our identity as the Beloved of God is the foundation of sharing that truth with each other and our neighbor.

Stayed tuned ... following Jesus is about to get exciting ...

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Missions - Gifts from the Heart of Fair Grove UMC

November Opportunities for Mission:

The N.O.W. Backpack campaign continues. We are 10.6 backpacks away from reaching our goal to provide for 50 FG School children. ANY amount is appreciated toward the \$230 cost to feed one child every weekend throughout the school year. Drop a fast food, grocery or gas gift card for \$5 or \$10 in the plate to be distributed by Pastor Tom to those struggling with immediate needs.

Please continue weekly gleanings of a canned food or non-perishable to feed the hungry. Bobby Owen Food Drive - Let's fill the altar on Nov. 21st, the Sunday before Thanksgiving to feed the hungry.

"Gifts from the Heart" - Provide Christmas gifts for needy children by monetary donation in any amount or shop with a list (\$120 per child). Janice Griffin will give lists to Fair Grove shoppers as soon as Fair Grove Family Resource Center makes them available.



"Gifts from the Heart" 2021

We can give children in need in our own community a wonderful Christmas morning. If you would like to shop yourself, a form with the child's clothing, shoe sizes and a few "wish list items" will soon be available. If you prefer to give a monetary donation, any amount is appreciated!

I would like to sponsor _____ child/children at a cost of \$120 per child or give a donation toward the purchase of a child's gifts in the following amount. _____

Is this gift in honor or memory of someone? _____

Your name: _____

Make check payable to FGUMC ("Gifts from the Heart" on memo line) Monetary donations are requested in the offering plate or delivered to the office in November as soon as possible to give shoppers time to prepare.



Make sure to mark your calendars for the Senior Breakfast on Tuesday, November 2. We will meet at Denny's at 8:00. Everyone is welcome.

You don't have to be a Senior Citizen. It's just a good chance to get together, eat, and have fellowship. We hope to see you there!



Our Charge Conference will take place on Sunday, November 14 @12:15pm in the sanctuary after the morning service.



Prayer List

Jeremy Perry family
Sharon Sink
Donald Dorsett
Mark Black
Michael Pierce family
Paige Wimmer
Stan Moore family
Dorsett family
Doug Everhart
Celia Phelps UMC Congregation/Pastor
Ellis Carter
Chandler Gibbs
Margaret Cline
Jamie Sechrist
Madeline Hodge
David Lambeth
Connie Harris
Tom Scott and wife/caregiver Lynette

Bobby Swaim
Kevin Dodd
Michael Emerick
Lawrence & Dot Russell
Our homeless friend and neighbor
Jimmy
Karen Spaul
Jean Widder
Chad Blevins
Carolyn Lane's father-in-law
Evon Hughes
Nina Leonard
Evelyn Parks, 1 year old
Riley Honeycutt, 10 year old girl
3 year old Lynix Nichols and family

Anne Jones
Peggy Harvey
Susan Jester
Darlene Mercer
Teresa Rhodes
Fidel Goodnight
Joe Bales III
Leslie Rierson
Kendall Conner
Lucero Prieto
Kay Jenkins
Lisa Foster
Scarlett Merand, age 2
Debbie Mayer-Matthews
Regan Sink/ SMA patients

"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us."

1 John 5:14



BE THE CHURCH

Protect the environment.

Care for the poor.

FORGIVE OFTEN.

REJECT RACISM.

Fight for the powerless.

Share earthly and spiritual resources.

EMBRACE DIVERSITY.

LOVE GOD.

Enjoy this life.



Daylight Saving Time Ends November 7, 2021

So please don't forget to move
your clocks back one hour.



Women's Fellowship

Side by Side for the Faith of the Gospel



Susanna Wesley Circle will meet
Tuesday, November 16 at 11:00am
in the Family Life Center.



Faith • Hope • Love in Action

UMW SOUP SALE



Our UMW will be offering homemade vegetable beef soup for sale and pick up on Sunday, November 21, 2021.

Please contact Jane Gibbs at (336)-259-5639 if you wish to preorder soup.

Soup may be picked up at church after the 11:00 worship service on November 21.

The soup is \$8.00 a quart and it freezes well!

All of the money raised will be used by our UMW to support local and worldwide missions!

Thank you for supporting our UMW and missions !



- 1 Janie Sink
- 1 Mindy Vernon
- 2 Wayne Lyndon
- 4 Jessica Baldwin
- 5 Jane Blair
- 5 Jesse Gilbert
- 8 Jamie Porter
- 9 Gary Sink
- 12 Sharon Kever
- 12 Patrick Porter
- 13 Christopher Waters
- 14 Emily Barringer
- 16 Sara Fowler
- 17 Dillon Murphy
- 18 Mike Faircloth
- 19 Tony Brooks
- 20 Monica Moser
- 21 Roger Burkhart
- 22 Bob Baity
- 22 Carol Everhart
- 25 Adam Gilbert
- 26 Kenneth Hepler
- 26 Jo Ann Everhart
- 26 Austin Kennedy
- 29 Lea Austin



- 6 Clay & Sara Fowler
- 14 Curtis & Cinde Ingram
- 18 Bob & Jane Baity
- 21 Roger & Janet Burkhart
- 26 Tim & Kathy Fuller
- 28 TW & Susan Boston
- 29 Stephen & Libby Blair



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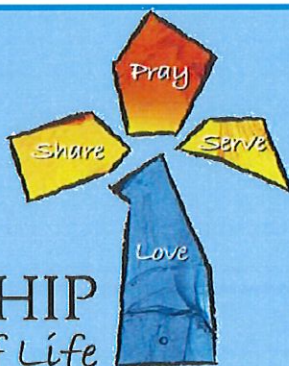
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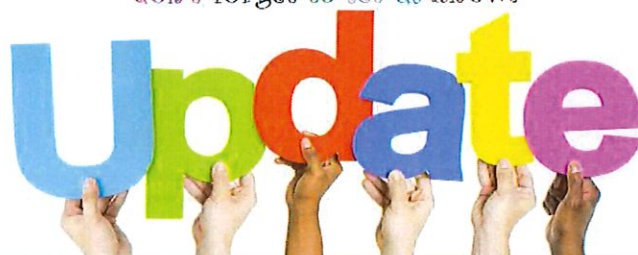
YTD SS Attendance AVG	10
YTD Worship Attendance AVG	49
YTD Budget Offering	\$ 166,242.80
YTD AVG Weekly Offering	\$ 3,866.11
Needed each week to make budget	\$ 5,692.21

GLEANNING

SEPTEMBER: 64 Year-to-date: 387

Non-perishable food items donated to Fairgrove Family
Resource Center

If your contact information has changed,
don't forget to let us know!



Have you...

...moved? ...changed your email address?

...changed your phone number?

Or, would you like to be added to our email list to receive the
weekly announcement email?

If so, please call us or send us an email with your updated
information!

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