

**Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church**  
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# Mount Carmel Message

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**1893-2020**

*Celebrating 126 years serving the Lord*

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*The Work of God through  
Mt. Carmel UMC is done by  
the efforts of 115+ persons  
and the Light of Christ  
through the Holy Spirit.  
Join this oneness in Christ.*

## From Your Pastor

The first Sunday in November is All Saints Day--when we read the names of those who have died in our church family this past year and it is also the end of Daylight Savings Time (as if that makes any difference) so set your clocks appropriately and don't be late or early for church. Well, we will not be meeting as the church in our sanctuary, but we are still the church and we still gather wherever we are for worship together. I can't believe it is more than 7 months now since we were in our church building but I am thankful everyday that we have not had a wide break out of the covid virus because of meeting together. Yes, I am praying daily for numbers to get better but it seems right now that is not happening. Northeast Arkansas and Craighead county numbers for the virus and deaths seem to be going up every day. So, until that changes and perhaps even until we find some way to combat the virus, we will not be meeting together for worship.

But, we do need to meet for our charge conference which is set for Sunday November the 8th at 2 p.m. in the fellowship hall. We will have to follow all the guide lines setup--wearing masks, socially distancing, etc. and I know many of you probably won't come. That's o.k. But we do need to have a few show up to vote on all the issues, approve the pastor's salary and elect officers for 2021. Rev. Jonathan Griesse, Pastor at Cornerstone UMC will be our Circuit Elder calling the meeting to order. All our forms have been sent in to the District Superintendent and they are all acceptable. So some of you please plan to be present. Call me if you have any questions about the charge conference. The Staff Parish will have a meeting following the conference to fill out some information about the wishes of this church concerning the pastor for next year. Pat Vanderbilt is chair of the Pastor Parish Committee. So if you have any thoughts about a pastoral change for next year, call Pat.

Just like you I have never faced anything like what we are facing in the church or society in my lifetime. But I keep the faith and believe what it says about our church, that we are "united." Together we will get through this. Keep praying, keep calling and checking on your friends and let me know when and where I can help you. And Happy Thanksgiving when it comes. Bro. Wayne

### In our Thoughts and Prayers...

"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful." Colossians 4:2

Joann Stevens  
Metta Nesmith  
Ray Wood  
Savannah Morris



Our country, leaders & world  
Healthcare workers  
Those who are sick  
Our Church

If you have someone you would like a Church prayer card sent to, call or text Ms. Pat Shirley (870-919-1121).

### We are thankful for all of our Veterans at Mt. Carmel UMC!

- **Sammy Bibb**
- **Sue Birdsong**
- **Tommy Hendrix**
- **Rick McDaniel**
- **Ben Ridenour**
- **Dean Roach**
- **Pat Shirley**
- **Gary Vanderbilt**
- **Allen Williams**
- **Ray Wood**



**Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**

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Thought for the Month

He enjoys much,  
 who is thankful for  
 little things.

"... give thanks in all  
 circumstances, for this is  
 God's will for you in Christ."  
 1 Thess. 5:18



Happy Birthday to...

- 7<sup>th</sup> Danna Williams
- 10<sup>th</sup> Cathy Holman
- 12<sup>th</sup> Jaden Pierce
- 13<sup>th</sup> Barbara Brown
- 19<sup>th</sup> Mark Flemon
- 20<sup>th</sup> Rachel Wilkins
- 20<sup>th</sup> Ina Cooper
- 28<sup>th</sup> Wanda Hendrix



Before you go to bed  
 Saturday, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> ...



Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>



Join us in worship online to  
 remember and celebrate the  
 lives of members of our  
 church and members of our  
 families who have entered  
 into the Church in heaven  
 this past year.

Visit our website

and SHARE with others  
[www.mtcarmelmethodist.com](http://www.mtcarmelmethodist.com)  
 for our weekly worship, to listen to  
 past sermons, and to see our  
 newsletter online

THANK YOU!!

to our "Communion Delivery  
 Committee" for October...  
 Jessica, Rick, Jason, Kelly,  
 Caden, Claire, Anne,  
 Joann S., Earline, Dalton, Juanita  
 We appreciate your time in helping  
 our congregation come together in  
 celebrating communion while we  
 are scattered. November  
 Communion coming soon!



Ingathering 2020

"From the fullness of his grace,  
 we have all received one blessing  
 after another." John 1:16

November Mission Project...

THE HUB

(Helping Underserved Belong)

They are in need of:

- Hand / toe warmers
- Toboggans with ear coverings
- Ear muffs
- Wool socks
- Scarves
- Thermal underwear
- Emergency blankets
- Beef jerky
- Granola bars
- Chapstick
- Travel size lotion

You can purchase items and  
 leave in the box outside the  
 back door at Church or send  
 money marked HUB to Mrs.  
 Carla at First Community.

Be Thankful

Be thankful that you don't already  
 have everything you desire.  
 If you did, what would there be to  
 look forward to?  
 Be thankful when you don't know  
 something, for it gives you the  
 opportunity to learn.  
 Be thankful for the difficult times.  
 During those times you grow.  
 Be thankful for your limitations,  
 because they give you  
 opportunities for improvement.  
 Be thankful for each new challenge,  
 because it will build your  
 strength and character.  
 Be thankful for your mistakes.  
 They will teach you valuable  
 lessons. Be thankful when you're  
 tired and weary, because it means  
 you've made a difference.  
 Find a way to be thankful for your  
 troubles, and they can become  
 your blessings.  
 For we would be more grateful if we  
 knew how much of what we take for  
 granted is planned by God!  
*Author Unknown*  
 "Give thanks to the  
 LORD, for he is good; his  
 love endures forever."

Blessing Box at St. Paul UMC



Stop by and add  
 items when you can  
 to help those in the  
 neighborhood  
 who might be  
 hungry... Any easy  
 food items or  
 personal care  
 items are needed.

Worship Opportunities at Mt. Carmel UMC

We may not be meeting in our  
 Church building, but we are still the  
 Church in our homes and  
 in the world around us.

Worship with us online at  
[www.mtcarmelmethodist.com](http://www.mtcarmelmethodist.com) or  
 on Facebook Mount Carmel United  
 Methodist Church. Please like and  
 share our website and our Facebook  
 page, so that others can enjoy  
 Bro. Wayne's sermon.



- Sunday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> "All Saint's Day"  
 "Communion offering for Helping Neighbors"
- Sunday, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>  
 2pm Charge Conference in Fellowship Hall
- Sunday, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>
- Sunday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> "Quarters for Heifer"
- Sunday, Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

November Bible Readings

- 1<sup>st</sup> Matt. 23: 1-12
- 8<sup>th</sup> Matt. 25: 1-13
- 15<sup>th</sup> Matt. 25:14-30
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Matt. 25:31-46
- 29<sup>th</sup> Matt. 13: 24-37



For additions to the December  
 Newsletter, contact Amy Simpson  
 at 931-7821 or  
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 by November 15<sup>th</sup>.



Thank you for continuing to give your Offering!  
 Just mail your check to Carla Flemon  
 5210 Butternut Jonesboro, 72404 or drop it off  
 at First Community Bank on Southwest Dr.