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You are the Salt of the Earth—Matthew 5:13

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The Pastor's Pen

Right then, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go ahead to the other side of the lake while he dismissed the crowds. When he sent them away, he went up onto a mountain by himself to pray. Evening came and he was alone. Meanwhile, the boat, fighting a strong headwind, was being battered by the waves and was already far away from land. Very early in the morning he came to his disciples, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified and said, "It's a ghost!" They were so frightened they screamed.

Just then Jesus spoke to them, "Be encouraged! It's me. Don't be afraid."

Peter replied, "Lord, if it's you, order me to come to you on the water."

And Jesus said, "Come."

Then Peter got out of the boat and was walking on the water toward Jesus. But when Peter saw the strong wind, he became frightened. As he began to sink, he shouted, "Lord, rescue me!"

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My favorite parts of the gospels are the risk-taking ones. Risk is where faith becomes real. Without risk, we never really live. In this passage, Peter has the courage to take a risky step without knowing how it would work out. All he knows is that Jesus is on the water and he is willing to go there if Jesus is there. Water in the ancient world was a scary place to be, especially at night or early morning. Many people believed that the dead lived in the sea (if you've seen Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince, imagine the scene where Harry and Dumbledore recover the horcrux from the cave and Harry is pulled beneath the water with scary looking dead people). For Peter to walk on the water was more than just the act itself, it was overcoming his fear of what might be in the water. **The water is where Jesus is. The water may be wet and look dangerous. But Jesus is not in the boat.** Like the disciples, we need to be reminded that we are **followers**.

The calling of God is always too big for us. But there is no other way for your faith to grow. We go where Jesus is.

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Adult Sunday School 9:30 AM
Praise Team Practice 10 AM
Fellowship immediately following Services
BUMC Ringers rehearsal Wednesday @ 6:30 PM
Sacks to Mats in the Courthouse Mondays @ 6:30 PM
Christian Men's Fellowship Breakfast 1st Saturday
at 7:30 AM at various locations in Plattsburg

Children's Sunday School 9:30 AM
Sunday Church Services start at 10:40 AM
BUMY meets every Sunday at 6 PM
BUMC Singers rehearsal Wednesday @ 7:15 PM
BUMM's Breakfast is the Third Saturday at 9:30 AM
Saltshaker articles are due the **23rd** of every month

Here are the Sunday assignments! If you are unable to fulfill your duties please let the office know as soon as possible so someone else can fill in for you. These are crucial functions of our worship service and play an important part of fulfilling our church family. Also if you wish to be added to (or removed from) a list please let the office know as soon as you can.

Date	Liturgist	Greeter	Mower
6/3/2018	Lisa Querrey	Jim & Carmen S	Tony Masters
6/10/2018	Ken	Jim & Donna	Tony Masters
6/17/2018	Robin Dickerson	Ben B & Connie C	George Hoover
6/24/2018	Helen Whitely	Brett & Robin	Ken Tongue
7/1/2018	Connie Collins	Bruce & Sue	Jacob Enderle
7/8/2018	Jim Bonebrake	Celya & Marian	George Hoover
7/15/2018	Bruce Hageman	Matt & Maisie C	Cam Collins
7/22/2018	Kris	Harold & Vi	Ken Tongue
7/29/2018	Lisa	Jim & Carmen S	Tony Masters
8/5/2018	Ken	Jim & Donna	Cam Collins
8/12/2018	Robin Dickerson	Ken & Kim	Pam Clifford

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In Acts chapter one Jesus gives his followers a command right before he leaves them. He tells them to "go to Jerusalem and wait for the promise of God." What he is talking about is the Holy Spirit. He lets them know that they will be "baptized by the Spirit" and receive power to be Jesus' witnesses everywhere. **The power they would receive was not for them personally.** It was for Jesus and the work he wanted the church to do in the lives of people. And they stand there looking up! Soon somebody has to tap somebody on the shoulder and say, "Hey! Why are you looking up?" There is work to do, get busy waiting.

When we follow Jesus we are following God's presence and there is no substitute for the presence of God. Risk taking mission and service is where Jesus is. If you want to walk on water, you've got to get out of the boat.

Blessings,
Joe

ADAM'S RIB

In Sunday School, they were teaching how God created everything, including human beings. Little Johnny seemed especially intent when they told him how Eve was created out of one of Adam's ribs. Later in the week, his mother noticed him lying down as though he were ill, and said, 'Johnny what is the matter?' Little Johnny responded, 'I have a pain in my side. I think I'm going to have a wife.'

THE WISDOM OF CHILDREN

You can't fool the kids in Sunday school, they are way too smart...

'If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale, and gave all my money to the church, would I get into heaven?' I asked the children in my Sunday school class.

'NO!' all the children answered.

'If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would I get into heaven?'

Again the answer was, 'NO!'

'Well, 'I continued, 'then how can I get to heaven?'

A five-year-old boy shouted, 'You gotta be dead!'

OAKRIDGE/NICK'S SUNDAY SERVICES

The next time BUMC will hold services for the local care centers, Oakridge and Nick's will be June 10 starting at 1:00. That should be a great time for them to spend singing and worshipping.

AFTER CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

Don't you enjoy getting together after services for a good time of Fellowship? We now celebrate birthdays and anniversaries after services on the last Sunday of the month after we feed the fish before worship. We have cake and if someone wants to take a turn providing some form of snacks or food on any other Sunday you are welcome to. Of course since this ministry is not covered in the regular church budget everyone is encouraged to give what they can; either by bringing in goodies to share or by giving a donation to Donna Bonebrake to cover the expenses for this time together. Won't you please consider taking a turn? The calendars are on the bulletin board in the fellowship area if you wish to sign up.

BROADWAY UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The Broadway United Methodist Women did not meet during the month of April.

4Cs AND MORE THRIFT STORE

Please remember to drop off all your left over garage sale items after the City Wide on May 5 & 6. This really helps them get their shelves stocked for the summer. Also remember if you have any candles, old batteries, stamps, or Box Tops for Education you may drop them off in the entry way near the food pantry basket. We also help support the new Women's Shelter in Plattsburg as well as the Homeless Shelter in St. Joseph.



Celebrations

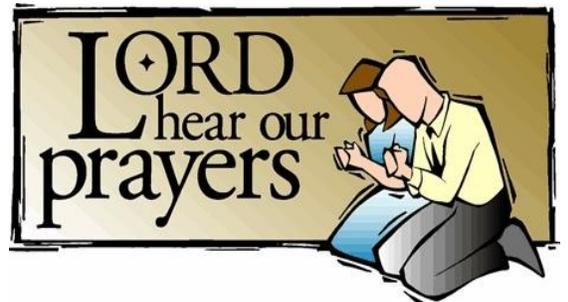
May

Birthday

- 1 Kara McQuerrey
- 4 Martha White
- 8 Vi Bowling
- 18 Colby Melton
- 20 Jacob McQuerrey
- 25 Chloe Dickerson
- 28 Katie (Tongue) Graves
- 30 June Shinabarger

Anniversary

- 26 Brenda & Bob McCush
- 27 Debbie & Terry DeFreece
- 27 Rebecca Clymore & Danny Dickerson



Derrick & Becky
DeFreece & son
Anna Gardner
Ben Baldwin, Jr.

Kate Masters

Terri Ricchia
Kari Stayton's Sister

Bessie Dickerson
Carine White
Jackie Swanson

Ken Tongue's Brother

Harold Bowling
Cam Collins
John Lucks
Sue Hageman's Bro

Ruth Hoover

Evelyn Green
Wilma Tippit

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5 7:30 AM Christian Men's Fellowship Breakfast at BUMC
6 6 pm BUMY	7 Home Delivered Meals	8 Home Delivered Meals	9 Home Delivered Meals 6:30 Ringers 7:15 Singers	10 Home Delivered Meals	11 Home Delivered Meals	12
13 MOTHER'S Day 6 pm BUMY	14	15	16 6:30 Ringers 7:15 Singers	17	18	19 9 AM BUMM's Breakfast
20 12 pm BUMC Board Mtg 6 pm BUMY	21 Retired Teachers Breakfast	22	23 6:30 Ringers 7:15 Singers Saltshaker Articles Due	24	25	26
27 6 pm BUMY	28 Memorial Day	29	30 6:30 Ringers 7:15 Singers	31		