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# The Saltshaker

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## **The Saltshaker is now electronic!**

If your email is on file, you will only receive the Saltshaker electronically unless you have requested a copy to be delivered via USPS! Let us know how you want to receive our newsletter.

## *The Pastor's Pen*

### Sharing and Caring in Challenging Times

Thank you! That's what comes to my mind when thinking about the time I have been blessed to spend with you here at BUMC. I appreciate so much your incredible hospitality. I've had to ask so many question. Some have been as simple as where something is located in the building. Others have been about practices or procedures. Then there have been questions about people: their situation, particular needs, the talents they share, and more. Whatever the situation, the people of this church have been eager to provide information, or guidance, or suggestions.

One of my goals during our time together was to *not* disturb Pastor Cassie. My hope was that her leave could be as free from church concerns as possible. Because of your eagerness to play your part, I believe I have contacted her only one time during her leave.

You all have also been receptive to my ways and practices, even when different from what you are accustomed to. That's another expression of your care and hospitality.

What is really outstanding is that this has happened during the time we are facing challenges brought by the coronavirus. It has been a time of adapting to no in-person worship, then to worship with limited numbers. All this while following safety practices we never before had to worry about. And, of course the numbers related to attendance and offering have been down. The number attending worship is few, even though enthusiastic. We are blessed with the technology to allow people to participate from home. Our equipment to go online has improved since this all started, making the online experience much better. Yet even when we add the online attendance numbers, the numbers are down. Of course, other factors enter in as well, such as the traditional "summer slump."

This is not the whole story. I know from my brief time here that you love the Lord and you love your church. You are committed to your faith. You are a loving people, eager to live the good news of Christ.

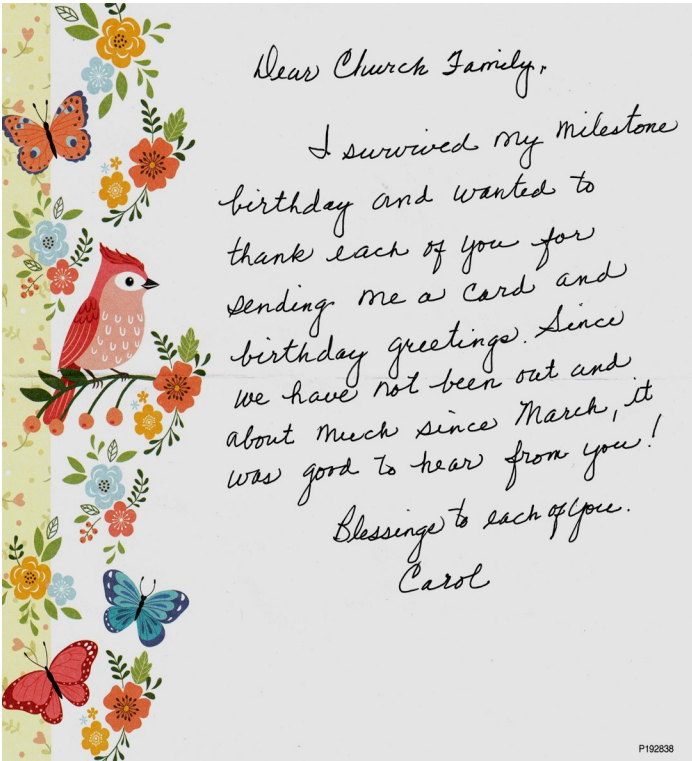
In light of all this, let me mention one other thing that desperately needs our attention. I say this as an outsider who has been welcomed by you and embraced as part of the family. Your church desperately needs your generous financial support. Just as these are challenging times for families, the same is true for the church. Some of our people are suffering financially, and it is no surprise they have not been able to continue their normal level of support. Reduced attendance numbers always mean a reduction in giving. If you have been waiting until you are back in worship to catch up with your giving, let me encourage you to go ahead and send something now. If you are in a position to offer a gift beyond your normal giving, I ask you to prayerfully consider that. The ministry of BUMC touches many lives. We cannot let up. I know I can share this information with you because I have personally experienced your care, hospitality, and generosity.

Finally, let me say that no one asked me to make this appeal. I do so because I want to see the ministry and witness of this faith community flourish, even in these challenging times. Again, thank you for being the caring and faithful church family you are. It has been such an incredible blessing to experience that first-hand.

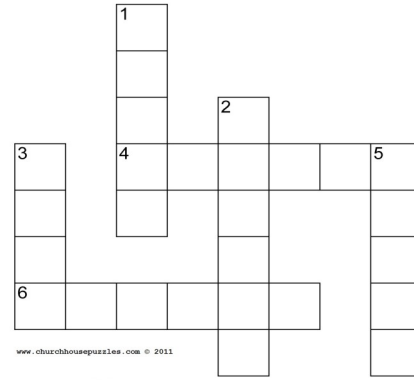
In the peace of Christ,

*Rich*

These groups are now on hold during the current pandemic: BUMC Singers, BUMC Ringers, BUMC Praisers (Praise Team), All Sunday Schools, Breakfast on Broadway, Sacks to Mats, Men's Fellowship Breakfast. Alcoholics Anonymous is still meeting every Thursday at 6:30 PM and Saltshaker articles are STILL due the **26th** of every month.



## Mountains in the Bible



### ACROSS

- 4 Where you might find Noah's ark
- 6 Where Jesus ascended into heaven

### DOWN

- 1 Where God gave the Ten Commandments to Moses
- 2 Where Elijah defeated the prophets of Baal
- 3 Where God showed Moses the promised land
- 5 Where God helped Barak defeat Sisera

"The Springs Church in Colorado Springs, CO, set up a large tub by their stage in the sanctuary for baptisms on Sunday. As the service started one Sunday, an elder walked up the stage, then pointed to the tub. 'As you can see,' he said, 'we've got a pretty large roof leak, and we've been taking on a lot of water.'"

"Sometimes I meet people and feel bad for their dog." – via Rev. Dr. Karl R. Kraft

"Fifty years ago, parents were likely to have a lot of kids; nowadays, kids are likely to have a lot of parents."

– Msgr. Joseph P. Dooley

Father: "And when he proposed, did you ask him to see me?"

Daughter: "He said he had seen you, but he still loved me."

## Food Pantry News

117 W. Maple 8:30 - 11:15 AM on Thursday - 816-539-3293

A banner month for the Food Pantry!! Besides being able to keep the shelves full, we received a MUCH needed freezer. A huge thank you to Robin and Brett Dickerson for the wonderful gift. We are so blessed to have such a great church family and supportive community.

God is good - all the time!

Remember: HUNGER NEVER ENDS

THANK YOU!!

Date	In Person and Virtual Attendance	Average weekly offering for July 2020 \$1961
7/5	26	Average Offering Needed Per Week \$2900
7/12	38	
7/19	42	
7/26	43	

Next Council Meeting is Wed Aug 5th @7:30 pm pm

Would you like to dial in?

## Celebrations August

- 3 Lou Proctor
- 8 Rod McQuerrey
- 15 Amanda Roth
- 16 Rebecca Clymore
- 19 Donna Bonebrake
- 19 Kathy Soldanels
- 19 Melissa Evans
- 29 Dylan Clymore
- 30 Sheryl Feutz-Harter
- Anniversary
- 4 Keith & Kari Stayton
- 9 Robin & Brett Dickerson
- 10 Kathy & Craig Mattke
- 11 June & Dale Shinabarger
- 16 Kim & Ken Tongue
- 20 Kelly & Rod McQuerrey
- 22 Rob & Dawn Melton

## Sunday Morning Worship

*Pray without ceasing*

**Watch LIVE:** We stream our worship service LIVE on Sunday mornings at 10:40am on Facebook. You do not need to have an account to watch. <https://www.facebook.com/BUMC.PlattsburgMO/>

**Watch Later:** The online service will be posted to Facebook immediately following for you to view at your convenience. You can also watch the sermon on the church website. [plattsburgbumc.org](http://plattsburgbumc.org)

**Worship individually or as a family:** We have written a short service you can do on your own at home. Grab a candle, find a quiet place to center yourself, and follow the script provided. If you would like a copy of the service for the week, call the church office or e-mail Pastor Cassie at [pastor@plattsburgbumc.org](mailto:pastor@plattsburgbumc.org)

Keeping track of those we connect with is vital to our ministry. If you attend worship Sunday morning online or are using the worship script, please e-mail, call, or fill out the attendance survey provided each week.

### Giving

As we continue to BE THE CHURCH, our mission during these uncertain times is more vital than ever. Your ongoing generosity is necessary for the mission and ministry at Broadway UMC as we continue to serve the local community and beyond. **Please do not tie your giving with your attendance.** I would encourage you to discern how you can continue to give even when we are not in person together and pray if God is calling you to give more as needs expand.

**Give Online:** Visit the church website at <https://plattsburgbumc.org/giving> to give online via PayPal. Not set up with PayPal? It's easy! You just need a bank account or credit/debit card. You can even set up automatic payments. Most importantly, PayPal is SECURE! You can also scan the QR code provided and give from your mobile device.

**Give in Person:** You can always bring you check or cash offering to the church during normal business hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-1pm.

**Automatic Tithing:** Consider setting up automatic BillPay directly from your bank account.

### Favorite Cheesy Potatoes

- 3-1/2 pounds potatoes (about 7 medium), peeled and cut into 3/4-inch cubes
- 1 can (10-1/2 ounces) condensed cream of potato soup, undiluted
- 1 cup French onion dip
- 3/4 cup 2% milk
- 2/3 cup sour cream
- 1 teaspoon minced fresh parsley
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 package (16 ounces) process cheese (Velveeta), cubed

Additional minced fresh parsley

⇒ Preheat oven to 350°. Place potatoes in a Dutch oven; add water to cover. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cook, uncovered, until tender, 8-12 minutes. Drain. Cool slightly.

⇒ In a large bowl, mix soup, onion dip, milk, sour cream, parsley, salt and pepper; gently fold in potatoes and cheese. Transfer to a greased 13x9-in. baking dish.

Bake, covered, 30 minutes. Uncover; bake until heated through and cheese is melted, 15-20 minutes longer. Just before serving, stir to combine; sprinkle with additional parsley. (Potatoes will thicken upon standing.)

**Freeze option:** Cover and freeze unbaked casserole. To use, partially thaw in refrigerator overnight. Remove from refrigerator 30 minutes before baking. Preheat oven to 350°. Cover casserole with foil; bake as directed until heated through and a thermometer inserted in center reads 165°, increasing covered time to 1-1/4 to 1-1/2 hours. Uncover; bake until lightly browned, 15-20 minutes longer. Just before serving, stir to combine. If desired, sprinkle with additional parsley.

Ben Baldwin, Jr.
Betty Shoemaker
Betty Swanson
Brett's Mother in Care Facility Bessie Dickerson
Brett's nephew in Wyoming Daniel Dickerson
Coby Aebersold
Jackie Swanson
Jean Grigsby
Ken's brother Greg Tongue
Kim Tongue's Father Marvin Conant
Mary Goldberg
Peggy Shoemaker
Shirley Boner
Wilma Tippit

### Sacks to Mats

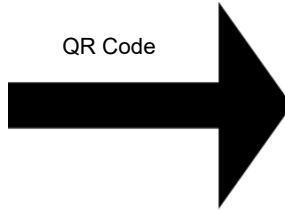
Sacks to Mats has been cancelled until further notice. If you have recently saved any bags for this project they must be disposed due to our current situation with COVID-19.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 <i>Sacrament of Holy Communion</i>	3	4	5 <i>7:30 PM BUMC Board Meeting</i>	6 <i>1 PM Big Brothers to pick up 4C's excess Food Pantry Delivery 6:30 PM AA</i>	7	8
9	10	11	12	13 <i>6:30 PM AA</i>	14	15 <i>Wilma Tippit's Auction</i>
16	17	18	19	20 <i>6:30 PM AA</i>	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 <i>6:30 PM AA</i>	28	29
30 <i>Celebration of B-days and Anniversaries</i>	31					