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The Saltshaker

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

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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

The first time I had the opportunity to vote, I was a freshman in college. Social media was really just starting to take off. Facebook was still only for college students and Twitter wasn't even on my radar. I confess, I was a pretty uniformed voter, listening mostly to my friends and family's opinions and whatever campaign ad were running over the airwaves. I committed little to the practice of discernment as I prepared to cast my ballot. I drove home from Mizzou that Tuesday in my little pale blue '87 Nissan Stanza to my hometown and stood in a short line and voted. I felt proud, but considered little about the weight about what the civic duty had I just participated. A new election is right around the corner, and I am glad to say I am in a much different place that I was on eve of my first election. I'm not sure about you, but this election has given me some anxiety. Everything about it: the campaigning, the fighting I see on social media, what the results might mean. Now, more than ever, we have to fully commit to our trust in our faith in Jesus Christ. Here is what I know for sure:

If Donald Trump is reelected...God still reigns

If Joe Biden wins.... God still reigns

If Jo Jorgensen wins... God still reigns

Now matter what the outcome, we trust in a mighty God who seeks after your heart, my heart, and the heart of all persons around the globe (no matter how they voted).

I believe it matters that we participate in the election on Tuesday. I implore you to continue to commit to prayer - in seeking wisdom and for our nation. I also ask you to commit to Wesley's three rules of voting:

1. To vote, without fee or reward, for the person they judged most worthy.
2. To speak no evil of the person they voted against.
3. To take care their spirits were not sharpened against those that voted on the other side.

Blessings,

Pastor Cassie

BUMC Ringers meet Wednesdays at 6:45 PM; BUMC Singers meet Wednesdays at 7:30 PM; Alcoholics Anonymous meets Thursdays at 6:30 PM; Sacks to Mats will start again after the first of the year; Breakfast on Broadway and Men's Fellowship Breakfast are on hold until further notice. Articles for the Saltshaker are always welcome. Thank you.

It's Time for Forever Christmas



For all voters that normally vote at the Clinton County Courthouse

On election day in Plattsburg, November 3, due to the COVID-19 regulations, we will be moving your polling place across the street to the Tinnen Town Hall building (100 E. Maple St., next to the license office). This will be for the November General Election only., We will still be encouraging social distancing and the wearing of masks.

The Forever Christmas Celebration will be held on the evening of Friday, 12/4/21. Please consider helping out with this major fund raiser by making cookies, candies and/or a pot of chili. We are asking that the cookies be put into Ziploc bags by groups of six. If you need us to provide the Ziploc bags let me know. You may call Donna at 816-262-3454 or 816-424-6849 or the church office to sign up. If you know what you will be making it will also be helpful to let us know. Thank you.



This year has been very different for all of us and we do not know when it will end. It has affected the Forever Christmas Bazaar. Several years ago I started making quick breads and have enjoyed offering to church members and the general public.

This year I have prayed and decided to go ahead and offer quick breads by phone order. Several in the church have purchased and I hope you have enjoyed every bite. I start baking Thanksgiving week. I am working at the school, but I can extend the baking until December 17.

I will be offering banana, pumpkin, strawberry, pear, pineapple and applesauce. Prices will be as follows: small \$3.00, medium \$5.00 and large \$6.00 There may be occasions when I have already baked and immediately available.

You may call **816-539-2390** and leave a message with your order. Please leave your name and phone number and I will call you back when I have completed the order. The answering machine is sometimes picky, so I may have to verify the order. We can make arrangements to meet locally or etc. I also have email address. celya.milliken@yahoo.com.

Thank you to everyone for your patronage in past years.

Celya Milliken

Birthday

- 12 Robbie Jensen
- 14 Kim Tongue
- 16 Jerry Hopkins
- 19 George Brumbaugh
- 20 Ann Vanderau
- 21 Sami Stayton
- 21 Bill Jones
- 21 Maisie Clifton
- 23 Alex Eisenhauer
- 23 Caleb Eisenhauer
- 24 Sandy Jones
- 26 Kelly McQuerrey
- 27 Christina Bingham

Anniversaries

- 7 Aaron & Cassie Graham

BUMY Information

We are now about 9 months into a global pandemic that in many ways has shaken us to our core. Some days it's hard to remember a time before this pandemic. In this time of trial, it is more important than ever to remember that as Soldiers of God, we are called to move through it. We are called to find new ways to spread the message and love of Jesus to the world, despite these challenges. So we adapt! Or to quote my new youth leader friend Loni Fancher, "We need to stop lamenting the normal and just embrace the weird!" We need to stop wishing that things were the way they were and find new ways to worship and work for God in this new weird world!

This is the goal of our youth program – let's embrace the weird because nothing is normal right now! Be on the lookout for new opportunities for youth and for families with youth, including new virtual based game nights, virtual trivia challenges, and maybe some virtual family feud!

Summer of 2021 was to be the summer of our next mission trip. Unfortunately, with Covid-19, there is still so much unknown. With that being said, we are going to embrace the weird and find a way to work for God despite the challenges. In place of our bi-annual mission trip, we will be doing a week-long mission event locally, focusing on serving in our Plattsburg community, nearby communities, and down in Kansas City. The event is currently scheduled for the second week of June. In order to pull off this awesome event, we will need lots of help! Be on the lookout for more details over the coming months for specific needs. Some of the known needs include breakfast and dinner each day, work supplies (more details once I have those projects finalized), transportation needs, and financial needs including youth scholarships. Please consider helping with this new and exciting event coming in June 2021!

Date	In Person and Virtual Attendance	Average weekly offering for October 2020 \$1916
10/4	31	Average Offering Needed Per Week \$2900
10/11	38	
10/18	42	
10/25	40	

Sunday Morning Worship

Watch LIVE: We stream our worship service LIVE on Sunday mornings at 10:40 am 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

Keeping track of those we connect with is vital to our ministry. If you attend worship Sunday morning online 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. To give online via PayPal, visit the church website at <https://plattsburgbumc.org/giving>.

Food Pantry

We are so grateful for the decision of the church to donate the "Feed The Fish" money to the Food Pantry. As you all know, things are tight for everyone right now so this help comes at a perfect time for the Pantry.....it will help feed many families.

The Food Pantry is so blessed to have a supporter like Jim Morris! Through his work (Tyson Foods) he provides the pantry with cases of deli meat and he does it weekly! Now and then we run out of freezer space for the bounty and with Tyson's approval we can share with surrounding area Food Pantries. In addition, Jim and Jerri share their abundance of eggs from their chickens! The Pantry exists because of supporters like Jim and Jerri. Thanks to everyone who gives their support.

God is good - all the time!

Thank you church family!

How are your chili making skills?

We need all you can make for the Forever Christmas celebration!. Please call Connie Collins at 913-231-0065 to let her know how hot you intend to make it and she can plan on how many people it will feed.

Do you need a ride to the polls on Tuesday? give us a call and we'll take care of you! Everyone needs to vote!

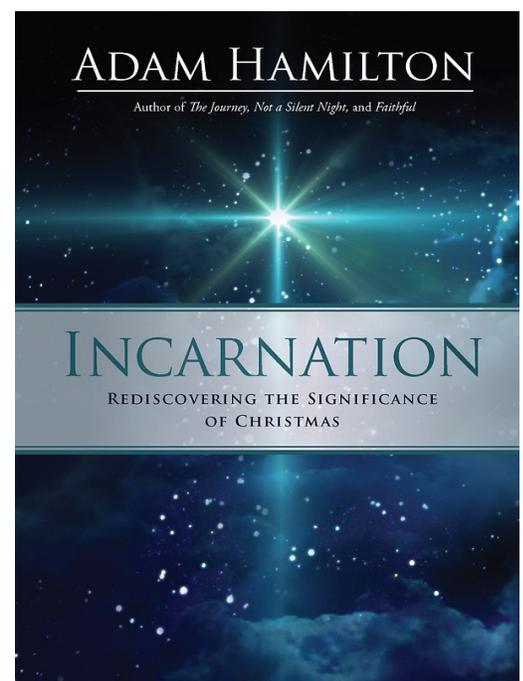
Church Office: 816-539-3246 or Pastor Cassie: 660-232-6803

ADVENT STUDY

Join us this Advent for our upcoming study.

His parents gave him the name Jesus. But the prophets, the shepherds, the wise men, and the angels addressed him by other names. They called him Lord, Messiah, Savior, Emmanuel, Light of the World, and Word Made Flesh. In *Incarnation: Rediscovering the Significance of Christmas*, best-selling author Adam Hamilton examines the names of Christ used by the gospel writers, exploring the historical and personal significance of his birth. This Advent season church families will come together to remember what's important. In the face of uncertainty and conflict, Christians reclaim the Christ child who brings us together, heals our hearts, and calls us to bring light into the darkness. Now more than ever, we invite you to reflect upon the significance of the Christ child for our lives and world today! To register, please contact the church office.

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 Shirley Johnson's son
Joseph Johnson
Tanner Sims
Wilma Tippit



November 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 All Saints Day Worship Online Communion Sunday	2	3 Election Day	4 Choir and Bells Practice 6:30 PM	5 AA Meeting @ 6:30 PM	6	7
8	9	10	11 Choir and Bells Practice 6:30 PM	12 AA Meeting @ 6:30 PM	13	14
15	16	17	18 Choir and Bells Practice 6:30 PM	19 AA Meeting @ 6:30 PM	20	21
22	23	24	25 Choir and Bells Practice 6:30 PM	26 Thanksgiving day AA Meeting @ 6:30 PM	27	28
29	30					