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The Saltshaker

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*YOU ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH
MATTHEW 5:13*

The Pastor's Pen

I am excited to announce, Rev. Laura Murphy from the Missouri Methodist Foundation will be preaching on Sunday, February 26 and presenting our congregation with a grant for our ongoing community meal ministry. Following worship, you are invited to attend a workshop called "Putting Your House in Order." Please let the office know if you plan to attend. We will be having a light luncheon during the workshop.

Are there things you'd like to get in order that would make your intentions clear for your loved ones if you become incapacitated or after you're gone? Things like: How to take care of your financial affairs and discern important documents. How to put together a will or trust that reflects your wishes. What you'd like your service of remembrance to include, as well as your burial or cremation wishes. The people, memories, and dates that have been significant in your life. How to open conversations with loved ones about these sensitive but important decisions. While these are all important, they can also be emotional and difficult to discuss or discern. But when in order, they are an amazing gift from you to your loved ones. During the 90 minute workshop, you will have the opportunity to explore these topics and more! Each participant will receive a binder that assists them in mapping out their plans and clearly records them in a way that reflects their wishes and individual circumstances. She is also available to follow up with participants individually, answering questions and assisting participants in discerning their final wishes.

People of all ages and stages of life are welcome to attend either as individuals or as couples. Having a will or other previous plans discerned is not necessary. This workshop is not soliciting any legal or financial services.

Lent Worship Series Lookin' for Love in All the Wrong Places

Begins February 26

The Christian scriptures offer many images of where love, grace, forgiveness, righteousness, and healing can REALLY be found. And it is not in the "usual" places. Isn't it as true of us today as it was of the scriptural authors? Don't we often look for wholeness and happiness in places that offer only temporary "good feelings" and satisfaction? Lent is a wonderfully reflective time to reassess where we are searching for meaning and purpose. We'll move through stories of Jesus to find out who offers the "real deal."

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MISSION

To make new disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

VISION

To grow in the faith of Christ by reaching out and connecting with others through intentional service and witness.



Help us spread the word!
First official "Dinner On Broadway"
will be held on February 20th @ 5:30pm
in the Susan L Hageman Community Kitchen

Kitchen Committee Update:

The Grand Opening for the kitchen was a success. On January 21st, another dinner was held with key community members to plan a future for the kitchen, about 45 people were in attendance. Dates have been set for the entire 2023 year to open our kitchen up to as many community members as possible. The first community wide dinner will be held on Feb 20th @ 5:30pm. Community dinners are going to be held every other month in the Susan L. Hageman Community Kitchen. Please spread the word so we can reach as many members of our community as possible.

January Board Meeting

Minutes:

- Meeting dates were set for 2023
- All staff and board members reviewed and signed the Code of Conduct and Use of Social Media forms
- Financial update given by Craig, motions were passed for annual increases in staff salaries
- The next board meeting is March 13

2023 Annual Board Retreat

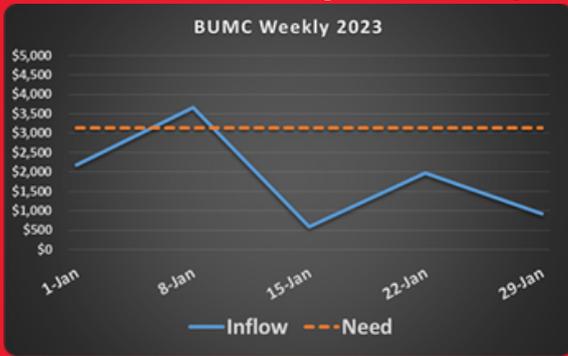
On Saturday, January 28 the board participated in their annual board retreat to set goals for 2023. This year the board plans to continue their focus on creating community meals and investigating community partnerships, improving our communication plan and social media presence, and launching a community grief group. These goals are in line with our mission - "To make new disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world." - and our vision - "To grow in the faith of Christ by reaching out and connecting with others through intentional service and witness."

Ash Wednesday Service - Feb 22nd @ 7:00pm

What is Lent? According to resourceumc.org, it is "a time of repentance, fasting and preparation for the coming of Easter. It is a time of self-reflection and examination." Wednesday, the 22nd of February kicks off the Lenten season with Ash Wednesday. Join us at 7:00pm for a traditional service where ashes are placed on our foreheads in the shape of a cross to remind us that "You are dust, and to dust you shall return".



BUMC Giving Summary



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

1/1: 45
 1/8: 48
 1/15: 45
 1/22: 45
 1/29: 41

FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS

Celebration Sunday is always the last Sunday of the month. We invite those with birthdays and anniversaries during the month to "Feed the Fish" and make a special offering to support the Plattsburg Food Pantry.

BIRTHDAYS

Lisa Lollar - 1st
 Tate Clifton - 1st
 Cami Aebersold - 10th
 Lisa Querrey - 11th
 Marian Freeman - 11th
 Amanda Swanson - 14th
 Tony Masters - 17th
 Russell White - 19th
 Amanda Schaffer - 20th
 Kathy Mattke - 21st
 Carrie Jeffries - 22nd
 Jim Bonebrake - 22nd
 Brenda McCush - 27th

ANNIVERSARIES

Bill and Sandy Jones - 4th
 Jim and Jerri Morris - 9th

PRAYER LIST

Connie Collins
 Kelsey and Michael Schultz and Family
 Rita Kilgore
 Russell White
 Betty Shoemaker
 Peggy Shoemaker
 Betty Swanson
 Ben Baldwin Jr.
 Charlotte Atwater
 Gil Sander
 Mary Goldberg
 Charlotte Devling
 Bonebrake Family
 Clayton Lollar
 Valisa Jackson

LITURGIST SCHEDULE

5- Jacob Enderle-Miller
 12- Bruce Hageman
 19- Amanda Schaffer
 26- Nichole Hageman

Food Pantry News

In the month of December, the Food Pantry served four new families, a total of 14 individuals.

Volunteers served 47 families total, or 139 individuals in December. 270 hours of volunteer time was logged. 985 units of food were donated.

Broadway Youth Update

February 5th will be the painting party for the kitchen dining area. Please feel free to attend if you'd like to help. There will be no Youth Group on February 12th, instead the Youth will be hosting our annual SOUPer Bowl Party. See details below.

Go Chiefs!!!

SOUPer BOWL SUNDAY

GAME DAY CHECKLIST:

1. Bring Food Pantry items to church and vote for your favorite team
2. Have lunch after church at the Youth's annual SOUPer Bowl and Chili Cook Off
3. Vote with dollars for your favorite soup (proceeds go to Broadway Youth)
4. Enjoy the Game!

FEBRUARY 12TH, 2023

February 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 Youth Painting Party Communion	6	7	8	9	10	11
Home Delivered Meals						
12 SOUPer Bowl Sunday 	13	14 	15	16 AA Meeting 6:30	17	18
19	20 Community Dinner @ 5:30 pm	21	22 Ash Wednesday service @ 7:00pm	23 AA Meeting 6:30	24	25
Pastor on Vacation 2/23-3/1 						
26 Putting Your House in Order 12pm Celebration Sunday	27	28 	<u>Weekly Activities</u>			
			Sunday Children's Sunday School - 9:30am Adult Sunday School - 9:30am Coffee hour 10:00am Youth Group - 6:00pm		Wednesday Handbells- 6:30 Choir - 7:15 Praise Team - 8:00pm	
<u>Office Hours</u>						
Tuesday and Thursday 9:00am - 3:30pm Monday, Wednesday, Friday - By Appointment						