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The Saltshaker

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YOU ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH
MATTHEW 5:13



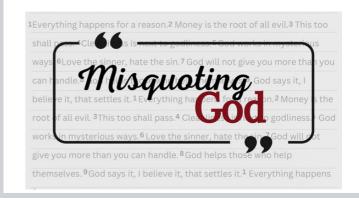
Pastor's Pen

Sunday, October 1 is World Communion Sunday. This is an "annual opportunity for United Methodists to call attention to the unity of all Christians at the table of the Lord" (umc.org). In the midst of division, I pray you will come to the table and participate in Holy Communion. Communion is one of two sacraments we identify as United Methodists and is a "means of grace." Sometimes, the act of communion can be difficult to explain. Rev. Taylor Burton-Edwards explains "What we're doing in the Eucharist is a double thing. When we receive 'the body and blood of Christ that we may be for the world the body of Christ redeemed by his blood,' we are remembering. At the same time, we are also re-membered, put back together again. We pray that we may be 'one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world.' God's work of making us one and uniting us with Christ, with each other and in our witness and life in the world — is the ordinary way by which God feeds us, sustains us, and empowers us to live as Christians in the world." As you gather at the table, consuming the bread and juice, may you not only remember the mighty acts of Jesus Christ, but may this also be an opportunity for us to be reconciled, to be brought back into right relationship as a whole creation. Wherever we may be divided, let us be unified in the love of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

> Blessings, Pastor Cassie

Current Worship Series

What things have you said or heard that you THINK are found in the Bible. Often, they are simple phrases. They sound Christian—like something you might find in the Bible. We've all heard these words. Maybe we've said them. They capture some element of truth, yet they miss the point in important ways. Join us as we search for the whole truth by comparing common Christian clichés with the wisdom found in Scripture. Our current series, "Misquoting God," contiunes October 1&8.



Fall Festival Community Worship Service

Our church will be participating in the Fall Festival Community Worship Service on Sunday, October 15 at 11:00 a.m. at the Community Courtyard. We will not have regular services at the church that Sunday.

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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.

Check out what's happening in October at Broadway!

October Dinner on Broadway

Join us for Dinner on Broadway on October 16 at 5:30 p.m. Dinner on Broadway is now held every month on the 3rd Monday. We served over 90 meals in September!

Youth Group News

Youth group has officially started! The are heading to the Liberty Corn Maze on Sunday, October 8. They will leave at noon. Lunch is provided. All youth, grades 6-12 are invited to attend.

Forever Christmas

Vendor registration for the 2023 Forever Christmas Bazaar is now OPEN! There is limited space available. If you or someone you know would like to be a vendor, sign us ASAP! Visit our website for details.

Senior Gray Tiger Contest

Six Plattsburg community members were nominated in the Fall Festival's Senior Gray Tiger Contest. Two of our church members were among those chosen for exceptional volunteerism and their continued service to our community.

Congratulations Stan and Vi, you deserve it!

The eligibility requirements were very simple and fun!

- 1. Senior Citizen 65 or older.
- 2. Must have a Plattsburg address.
- 3. Must be Community minded.
- 4. Must have a few gray hairs!
- 5. Must be friendly, vibrant, and enjoy the fun of being a Senior citizen.
- 6. Must always "wear a smile"!
- 7. Must have a "heart of gold"!

The following persons were nominated: Stuart Jenkins, Della Mallen, Clyde May, Linda Mitchell, Stan Hoover, and Vi Bowling.



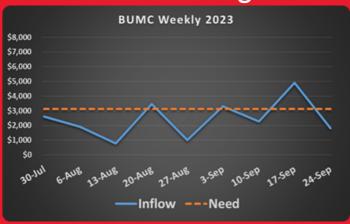


Welcome to our new members!

In the month of September, seven new members joined the church! We are excited to welcome Nichole Hageman, Steve Garr, Beth Garr, John Enderle, Amanda Schaffer, Craig Schaffer, and Jo Hawn (not pictured) into our church family. If you are interested in learning more about church membership, please reach out to Pastor Cassie.



BUMC Giving Summary



Weekly
Attendance:
9/3:41
9/10:47
9/17:50
9/24:32

Food Pantry News:

For the month of August, the food pantry served 42 families, 115 individuals, and 2 new families (5 individuals). 215 volunteer hours were logged and 1,083 pounds of food was donated.

The food pantry needs the following items: cereal, evaporated milk, peanut butter, soup, toilet tissue, canned vegetables, canned fruit, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner Please be sure any food items are not expired.

Board Meeting Summary:

The board met on Monday, September 11 via Zoom. The following items were discussed:

- Goals and financial report discussed. We are planning to write and additional grant to fund meals for partners.
 Grief group plans to launch in February.
- Celebrated 7 new members joining the church.
- Discussed Fall Festival Community Worship Service with FCC. Rev. Scott Kilgore will preach.
- Trustees discussed the following parsonage gutters complete, parsonage windows to be installed soon, downstairs bathroom demolition underway
- Forever Christmas vendor registration is open
- Nominations team meets 9/17 to name new leaders for Charge Conference.
- Bruce discussed Loads of Love proposal (new mission opportunity)
- Discussed Christmas Giving Tree Project
- Girl Scouts will continue to meet in the church
- Special Annual Conference on 11/18 online, Bruce will attend as lay representitive.

Contact Pastor Cassie or Ken Tongue to receive a copy of the agenda, minutes, and/or reports. All board meetings are open to the congregation. The next board meeting is on October 9, 2023.

OCTOBER 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:

Connie Tharp - 01
Susan Burton - 02
Zephry Bingham -03
Emmie Graham -04
Kate Masters - 07
Rob Melton - 09
Jim Morris - 12
Ada Gollnick -17
Mindy Masters - 20
William Bingham - 23
Carmen Stoneking - 26

ANNIVERSARIES:

Stan & Sue Hoover - 20 Jacob & Kyle Enderle-Miller - 26

PRAYER LIST:

Betty Shoemaker
Betty Swanson
Peggy Shoemaker
Rita Kilgore
Ben Baldwin, Jr.
Gil Sander
Charlotte Atwater
Mary Goldberg
Harold Bowling

LITURGIST SCHEDULE:

10/1 - Kris Torre 10/8 - Connie Collins 10/15 - Ken Tongue 10/22 - George Hoover 10/29 - Lisa Querrey

October 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Nominations Meeting 12:00 p.m						
World Communion Sunday				AA Meeting 6:30		
8	9 INDIGENOUS PEOPLE	10	11	12	13	14
Youth Group to Liberty Corn Maze	Council Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.			AA Meeting 6:30		
Fall Festival Community Service	16 Dinner on	17	18	19	20	21
	Broadway @ 5:30 p.m.			AA Meeting 6:30		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Oakridge Service @ 12:15	Home Delivered Meals					
			Oakridge Bible Study 10 a.m.	AA Meeting 6:30		
29	30	31	Sunday Children's Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour - 10:00 a.m. Worship - 10:40 a.m. Youth Group - 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Handbells- 6:30 p.m. Choir - 7:15 p.m. Worship Practice - 8:00 p.m.			
Celebration Sunday		HALLOWEEN	Tuesday-Friday - By Appointment			

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