

# Welcome

October 8



**Busy Bags for children** with crayons, books, etc. are available. Look for them by the entrance, and please return them to the rack so they can be re-stocked for next week.

**Child Care:** Child care is available for infants through 5 year-olds on Sunday mornings from 8:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. in the Nursery. We invite older children to enjoy the Busy Bags.

**Coffee Hour:** We are glad to be able to worship together today! We invite everyone to stay for coffee and fellowship in the Gathering Space after the worship service.

## NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

**Loose coin offerings** for the month of October will be donated to Community Cancer Services of Isabella County.

**Adult Bible Study** - Join us at 10:05 a.m. in the Library as we study great Bible stories in chronological order. All are welcome.

**Adult Sunday School** - This week we will be studying "Full Communion ?" Recently The United Methodist Church announced it will be studying a draft proposal to establish full communion with The Episcopal Church. What does full communion mean? What is the denomination's history with full communion agreements? How does our faith inspire us to work with others? Next week we will be studying "Hurricane Harvey".

**Journey 101: Knowing God, Loving God, Serving God** - Everyone is invited to join as we go deeper in faith. It's not too late! Come Thursday, October 12 at 6:00 p.m. at the parsonage (1109 Glenwood). Cost of the book is \$9.00.



**New Church T-Shirts - Order by October 15th!** T-Shirts are available in 2 designs and embroidered fleece jackets are available in a wide range of sizes. Order forms are at the Welcome Desk. Proceeds will support Children and Youth Ministries.

**Potluck for Missionaries** - The Mission Ministry Team will host a church potluck on Saturday, October 21st, for Delbert and Sandy Groves, UMC missionaries from the New Life Center in Kitwe, Zambia. The team will provide meat and drinks for the meal. First UMC members are asked to bring a dish to pass. Please sign up at the Welcome Center or SignUpGenius and indicate which type of dish (salad, side dish, or dessert) you will bring. The meal will be held at 5:45 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Circle the date on your calendar, plan to meet this dynamic couple and hear of the work being done in Africa.

**URGENTLY NEEDED:** Someone to provide overnight lodging for missionaries, Delbert and Sandy Groves, Saturday, October 21. They are speaking at 7:00 p.m. at church and will be leaving early Sunday morning. Please call or email the church office if you can help with this. Call 773-6934 or email office@mtpfumc.org.

**Please consider making a meal** for about 15 people (or even part of the meal) for the youth group and joining us during that meal. We'll share the food, fellowship, and some real fun! We'd love for you to stay for Bible study and games too. Sign up today on SignUpGenius or contact Jennifer Lane at 773-6934 or jklane201@gmail.com.



**Our Kitchen Cupboard Ministry** - Thank you for your generous donations. We have a good supply of most items. We are currently in need of: microwaves, table knives and mixing bowls. If you are able to donate any of these items please drop them off at the Church Office between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

**Costume Party** - Are you looking for a free, fun and safe way to celebrate Halloween with your children or grandchildren? Then join the Family Fun Group on Saturday, October 28 from 10-Noon in Fellowship Hall. There will be games, crafts, trick or treating and light refreshments. Costumes are optional. Hope to see you there!

**John H. Goodrow Fund Brunch Fundraiser-** Sunday, October 15 from 10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. at the Shepherd Bar & Restaurant. Cost is \$16.95 per person.

**The Planet X Tour of the School of Rock** - is next Sunday, October 15 at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

## UMW News

**Lots of help is still needed** on Friday and Saturday, October 20-21 during the Conference UMW Annual Celebration. Lots of choices. Sign up information is on the Welcome Desk and on SignUpGenius.

## Special Prayers This Week

### Worshipping at Home

Wilma Blackman   Don Felisky   Mary Kleinhans   Candy & Dale Kohagan   Dee Pohl   Beverly Wangberg

### Sympathy

The congregation and staff offer their condolences to Dianne Young & Chuck Holek, family & friends on the passing of Frank Childs, step-father of Dianne, September 16.

### Prayers

Father of Michelle Turpin - major health issues  
*Jerry Heading - brother of Nancy Lewis/blood clots in lung & leg*

Hurricane & earthquake victims & families  
*Clela Underwood - broken foot*  
*Family & friends of Bob Welsh - friend of Norma Kreiner*

Note: Names listed in *italics* are new on the prayer list.

### Extended Illness and Treatment

Larry Abbott - friend of David Kelley/brain cancer recovery  
Sidney Benaske - friend of Norma Kreiner/bladder cancer  
Hannah Boley - continued progress  
Carol Brannan - continued treatment & recovery  
Deb Briggs - friend of Joyce Pridgeon/cancer  
Lyndsey Brindley - cousin of Dave McDonald/diagnosed with lupus & rheumatoid arthritis  
Mary Bushey - sister-in-law of Denise Anderson/ stage 4 liver cancer  
Brother of Linda Traum - continuing health issues  
George Clapp - friend of Sandy Schrock/health issues  
Daughter-in-law of Jane Butcher/cancer diagnosis  
Joan Doherty - sister of Shirley Rosan/cancer  
Debra Fountain - friend of Randy Hetherington/cancer treatment  
Cecil Earwood - brother-in-law of Eleanor Dawson/cardiac procedure  
Fran - aunt of Holly Bartolo/thyroid cancer  
A friend with breast cancer  
Tom Gordon - ongoing throat issues & continued recovery  
Natalie Gurley - sister-in-law of Linda Traum/breast cancer treatment  
Betty Hammond - surgery recovery  
Caesar Hernandez - friend of Janice Tomasik/discontinuing cancer treatment  
High School friend of John Skinner/early onset Alzheimers  
David Jaskae - brother-in-law of Chuck & Dianne/ return of blood cancer  
Jennifer - sister-in-law of Randy Hetherington/cancer recurrence & brain surgery recovery  
George Jennings - continued broken ankle recovery  
Joyce - Bruce Schrock's secretary/cancer treatment  
Cheryl Jose - daughter of Art Homan/cancer treatment

Terri Kelly - from Debbie Lawrence/back surgery recovery  
Alex Kreth - brother of Melinda Kreth - healing  
Kim - friend of Jane Martin/heart problems  
Kurtis - friend of Holly Bartolo/recurrence of cancer  
Leah - from Marianne Smith/chronic heart condition  
LQuinn - friend of Ralph Pitts/cancer treatment  
Joellyn Malmquist - from Rose Benjamin/ALS  
Blake Marr - continued hip replacement surgery recovery  
Everett McNally - friend of Barry & Sherry Trombly/cancer treatment  
Eric Moyer Sr. - grandfather of Zoey Moyer/continued healing after lung transplant  
Wayne Lawrence - health issues  
Bob Massongill - cousin of Dave McDonald/cancer  
Jerry & Sheila Parsons - both battling cancer  
George Post - brother-in-law of Sandy Schrock/health issues  
Jeff Rubritius - brother-in-law of Dianne Young/rehab after severely broken leg  
Laura Schroth - Roger & Patricia Partlo/kidney transplant recovery (prayers for donor, her sister, Carolyn)  
Stacey - friend of Marianne Smith/cancer treatments  
Benny K. Steele - health concerns  
Rob - cousin of Deb Skinner/cancer treatment continued success  
Jim Terrill - cousin of Sharon McDonald/continued radiation treatment twice a month  
Julene Terrill - cousin of Sharon McDonald/cancer treatment with heart condition  
Mary Ulmer - friend of Sandy Schrock/severe health issues  
Mindy VanAlstine - lung cancer treatment  
Woodworth family - from Lynn Marr/mother is in Hospice

### Family Members Serving in the Military

Sgt. J. D. DeLaOssa - grandson of Fred & Barbara Stabley has returned safe from Syria.

Petty Officer 3rd Class Cort Collins - grandson of Carla Starr/will depart for Basic Training in Great Lakes, IL on 12/27/2017.

**Please help us keep the prayer concerns updated by calling the church office with up to date information about your prayer requests. Thank you.**



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Loose coin offering Wesley @CMU for September was \$256.50.

### WORSHIP SERVICES CAN BE SEEN ON CHANNEL 191

Traditional Worship Service: Tuesday - 7:00 pm,  
Wednesday - 2:50 pm, & Saturday - 6:30 pm

Contemporary Worship Service:  
Wednesday - 6:00 am, Friday - 6:30 pm & Sunday - 7:00 pm

Worship Services from the previous week can also be seen on CHANNEL 187 on Sunday only: Traditional Service at 9:00 am & Contemporary Service at 11:00 am

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