

Welcome

October 15



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 "Hurricane Harvey". Hurricane Harvey caused catastrophic damage to the city of Houston, Southeast Texas, and Southwest Louisiana. How are churches responding? How does Christian faith shape our preparations for and responses to natural disasters like Harvey? Next week we will be studying "DACA".

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, October 16 from 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Mark Your Calendar for our Annual Church Conference next Monday, October 23, at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Potluck for Missionaries - This Saturday, October 21, the Mission Ministry Team will host a potluck for UMC Missionaries, Delbert and Sandy Groves, who will share information about their work at the New Life Center in Kitwe, Zambia. Entrees include baked ham and chicken and biscuits. Drinks will be provided. First UMC members are asked to bring a dish to pass. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk or on SignUpGenius and indicate which type of dish (salad, dessert, or side dish) you will bring. The meal will be held at 5:45 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. A free will offering to support the Groves' work in Zambia will be taken.

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.

Fall Clean Up - Saturday, October 28, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Bring shovels, rakes, hedge clippers, gloves and be ready to get the church grounds ready for winter.

Pledge cards will be collected on Consecration Sunday, October 29. They may also be mailed in or dropped off at the Church Office if you'll be away.

TRUNK OR TREAT

Tuesday, October 31st from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.

THE EDUCATION TEAM INVITES YOU TO...

- Sign up your trunk! Please use SignUpGenius or call the Church Office to let us know that we can count on the trunk of your vehicle.
- Donate treats for all those trunks! We'll need tons of treats and yummy candy. Please drop off treats in the bin by Welcome Desk or Jennifer's office.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT JENNIFER LANE

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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, toaster ovens, table knives and mixing bowls. Please drop off your donations at the Church Office during office hours.

Costume Party - Are you looking for a free, fun and safe way to celebrate Halloween with your children or grandchildren? 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— Today, 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 - TODAY at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

UMW News

Lots of help is still needed this 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

Worshiping at Home

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

Sympathy

The congregation and staff offer their condolences to Michelle & Dave Turpin, family & friends on the passing Joe DeBolt, father of Michelle, October 11.

Prayers

Ben - son of Sherry Trombly/at Las Vegas concert
Marvin Chudej & family - dealing with cancer
Gary Conant - hospitalized for a blood clot
Jerry Headding - brother of Nancy Lewis/blood clots in lung & leg

Mary Kleinhans - upcoming surgery
Marlene - friend of Cheri & Randy Recker/cancer surgery recovery & treatment
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 safely 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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