

The Springs

Where The Thirsty Find Life

September 28, 2022

And the King will answer and say to them, "Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of mine, even the least of them, you did it to me."

Matthew 25:40

If you look at the "Who We Are" page of our website, we talk about three things we value here. One of them is the following: "Mission Driven: All endeavors shall support the accomplishment of the biblically defined mission statement. (Matthew 28:18-20)" As a United Methodist Church, we are part of a movement that seeks to make disciples of Jesus Christ for a particular purpose: to help transform the world. That's what Jesus proclaimed when he started his ministry; that's what the early church did in the book of Acts. That's what was at the heart of John Wesley's ministry when he said, "The world is my parish."

Our support of missions spans the globe: from downtown Meridian and to the other side of the world. We support through volunteers the UMCOR mission team to Sager Brown, Care Lodge, Wesley House, Meals on Wheels, the Meridian District Ramp Ministry, and Love's Kitchen, in addition to numerous others which we support financially. Mission has always been a part of our DNA and will continue so into the future. As I discerned my call to ministry, I saw myself in a place where the entire person was being fed, nurtured, & ministered to. Spiritual, physical, mental, and emotional needs were being met. I believe that is happening here. This is just the beginning of what God can do through us.

I wanted to take a minute and highlight a mission opportunity that you can participate in: Wesley House. Dave Schultz, the director, and I are close friends from previous appointments when we did mission trips together. Anything that Dave has a passion for is kingdom work that I want us to be a part of. For those that have been donating non-perishable food items for their pantry each month-thank you! I would, however, love to see that increase 5-fold! Remember that the basket in front of the baptismal font is there for us to drop those donations as an expression of our response to God's provision in our lives. They currently have a volunteer opportunity that I also want to highlight. Each Wednesday, they hand out about 300 bags of food to those in need of groceries; it's a vital ministry that has exploded in volume in the last two years. This food distribution happens each Wednesday 12:30-4pm. For the month of October, the Wesley House is looking for volunteers to help direct traffic, speak with families, hand out bags of food, and other related activities. Although the event runs over an entire afternoon, any time you could spend helping with that event would be wonderful. We need each one of you to help us be the hands and feet of Christ! If you would like to volunteer, please contact Carrol Barham.

As we look forward as a church, I invite you to continue to think about how we can carry the mission of Christ forward-whether individually or as a church. Let's find ways to be the hands and feet of Jesus!

In Christ,

Matthew Hall

New Prayer Requests

The Family of Jimmy Duke (Richard Dixon's Son in Law)

Burnie Berrey - Infection returned

Will Alexander - Thyroid Cancer

Ken LaBruyere

Jesse Mendiola - Cancer

Marilyn Brewster (Carol Burton's sister) - **Cancer**

Shane Helton - End Stage Renal Failure
(awaiting transplant)

Please continue to pray for:

Francois du Plessis, Ken LaBruyere, Gladys Stewart,
James & Glenda Smith, Barbara Walker, Brenda Huffman ,
Sharon Stephens, Delaney Heckert,
Betsy Storms, Otha Barham, Charlotte Chaney

If you have a prayer request please let the office know.

October Birthdays

3rd	Barbara Walker	23rd	Ginny Adkins
	John Landon Young		Mary Dobbins
4th	Sylvia Autry		Sarah Rhett
			Julian Wall
5th	Ashley Browne	25th	Eddie Crews
6th	Dylan Brown	27th	Cindy Lang
	Noelle Clay		Perry Parnell
7th	Ravynne Wilson	29th	Ken Clay
8th	Matthew Wolvers		
11th	Mark Adkins		
14th	Jerry Long		
17th	LaVarus Rue		
18th	Emma Atkinson		
	Shirley Dooley		
21st	Lin Ge		
	Jade Saxon		

Calendar

Sunday, October 2

9:30 A.M. Worship
10:45 A.M. LifeGroups
3:00 P.M. Reading Helps
4:00 P.M. Handbell Rehearsal

Tuesday, October 4

10:00 A.M. The Kingdom Prayer Study
St. Andrews Classroom
6:00 P.M. Basketball/Gym

Wednesday, October 5

5:00 P.M. Choir Rehearsal
5:15 P.M. Potluck Dinner
6:00 P.M. Youth and Children
6:00 P.M. The Kingdom Prayer Study
St. Andrews Classroom
6:00 P.M. Yoga/Gym

Sunday, October 9 - PINK OUT/Breast Cancer Awareness

Wear the color pink in support.

9:30 A.M. Worship
10:45 A.M. LifeGroups
3:00 P.M. Reading Helps
4:00 P.M. Handbell Rehearsal



Monday, October 10

1:00 P.M. Women of the Church/Parlor

Tuesday, October 11

10:00 A.M. The Kingdom Prayer Study
6:00 P.M. Executive Team Meeting

Wednesday, October 12

5:00 P.M. Choir Rehearsal
6:00 P.M. Youth and Children
6:00 P.M. The Kingdom Prayer Study
St. Andrews Classroom
6:00 P.M. Yoga/Gym

Sunday, October 16 - Children's Sabbath

9:30 A.M. Worship
10:45 A.M. LifeGroups
3:00 P.M. Reading Helps
4:00 P.M. Handbell Rehearsal

CHARGE CONFERENCE
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23RD
2:30 pm - College Park UMC

Volunteer Opportunities

Greeters

October 2

Cindy Lang	Front Door
Luci Wolvers	Downstairs

October 9

Cathy Ellis	Front Door
Angie Sherrill	Downstairs

October 16

Robin Thompson	Front Door
Nancy Crews	Downstairs

Readers

October 2

Erin Richardson

October 9

Ginny Adkins

October 16

Dianne Shannon

Communion Servers

October 2nd

Janet Barham	Karin Both
Ken LaBruyere	Kevin Peterson

November 6th

Kristi Brown	Linda Long
Nancy Crews	Raymond King

Acolytes

October 2

Beth Hall	Hannah Hall
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October 9

Maria Yates	Margaret Yates
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October 16

Jessica Hall	Bekah Hall
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Sunday Morning Snacks

October 2

Jennifer St. John	Nancy Crews
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October 9

Cindy Lang	Ginny Adkins
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October 16

Carrol Barham	Jan Eggler
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Meals on Wheels (Mondays)

October 3

Wanda McBrayer	Linda Long
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October 10

Dixie LaBruyere	Cindy Lang
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October 17

Robin Thompson	Gary Thompson
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October 24

Marjorie Walker

October 31

Janet Barham	Carrol Barham
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WESLEY HOUSE is in need of volunteers to help with their food distribution program on Wednesday afternoons in October - 12:30 - 4 pm. Please consider volunteering for one or all Wednesdays and stay as long as you can. Our UMCOR team did this in September and we were so pleased to be a part of this service and to see how well it is organized. Contact Carrol Barham at church on Sunday or e-mail her by Tuesday to let her know if you will help. barrac8@yahoo.com

Memorials

In Memory of:

Teresa Miller

Gary & Robin Thompson
Mark & Ginny Adkins
Wayne & Cathy Ellis

Maude Grant

Mark & Ginny Adkins
Irby & Cindy Lang
Wayne & Cathy Ellis

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Lectionary Readings:

October 2

Lamentations 1:1-6

Psalm 137

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Luke 17:5-10

October 9

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

Psalm 66:1-12

2 Timothy 2:8-15

Luke 17:11-19

October 16

Jeremiah 31:27-34

Psalm 119:97-104 or

Psalm 19

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

Luke 18:1-8

Sermon Titles & Scripture

October 2

"Pass the Tony's & Turn on the Maglite"

Matthew 5:13-16

October 9

"Who is Watching You?"

Matthew 5:17-20

October 16

CHILDREN'S SABBATH

October 23

"By Robbing God, We Rob Others"

Malachi 3:8-12