HGUMC Announcements

TEAM UP AND PRAY UP ~ We know that praying is an essential part of the Christian life. The scriptures are full of beautiful and powerful prayers, guides and exhortations to pray, and even examples and stories of Jesus praying! So, as people following the call of Jesus (aka, disciples) we must pray as he lead us to pray! Just as it is essential for the believer to pray, a body of believers (aka, the church) should have a regular, active way of praying. HGUMC is inviting all who have an interest in a Prayer Team, to please let the church know (by contacting the church office and our Rev Matt Smith). So let's team up to pray up!

A NEW WAY TO BUILD AND BE THE KINGDOM ~ Friends, we are getting closer and closer to bringing something new, needed, and powerful to our community of faith--our congregation, our friends, neighbors and everyone in our neck of the woods! Celebrate Recovery (CR) emcompasses many amazing things experiences. CR is fellowship. CR is worship. CR is recovery, healing, community, connection...and much more. One thing CR is not: it is not exclusive. CR is for everyone, and allows everyone the same opportunity to heal from our hurts, habits, and hang-ups though God's amazing love and grace. If you want to be a part of creating this incredible opportunity for our community of faith, please plan to join us on Tuesday, September 9th at 630PM. This will be our first session of learning, training, and planning for our official launch. If our church is going to build and grow something new, needed, and powerful to our community of faith, we need you to help make it happen. Thank you for prayerfully considering this amazing opportunity!

SAMARITAN'S PURSE CHRISTMAS BOXES ~ We will soon be preparing to start our outreach mission with Samaritan's Purse Christmas Boxes. Now is a great time to start collecting items as summer clearances begin and back to school items go on sale. Scan QR Code below for ideas or contact Amanda Salazar by email mrssalazar1@gmail.com!



<u>COMBINED SERVICE AND POTLUCK</u> ~ There will be a combined service **August 24th at 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary** with a potluck immediately following worship.

GARDEN WORK DAYS ~ We have an urgent need for help in our garden and on our church grounds. We will be having Garden Work Days **Saturdays**, **from 8 AM to noon**.

<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</u> ~ We need volunteers to help with recycling boxes located in our church atrium. If you would like to help, please contact Marty Robinson at (256) 656-5333.

<u>HGUMC CHURCH BREAKFAST</u> ~ Are you hungry? Breakfast is Served! **First Sundays at 7:30 AM,** we invite you to join us for our **HGUMC Church Breakfast** and fellowship. Our next breakfast will be **September 7**th. For more information or if you would like to volunteer, please reach out to Donna Daniel.

CHURCH COUNCIL ~ will meet August 11th at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

<u>KARATE / SELF DEFENSE CLASS</u> Marc Hilden is offering training in Isshin Ryu Karate, a self defense based style of karate. Classes will resume in September and be held Tuesdays, 6:15- 8 PM in the gym.

<u>NURSERY VOLUNTEERS/COORDINATOR</u> ~ We have an urgent need for traditional nursery volunteers and a volunteer coordinator. If you would like to help, please reach out to our office at <u>office@hazelgreen.org</u>.

<u>UMCOR DISASTER RELIEF FOR TEXAS FLOODS</u> ~ We had some technical difficulty with our streaming worship yesterday (and we are working on that this very moment!). Though if you were not in person for worship yesterday, you didn't hear of our prayers for the people of Texas, and the victims of the recent flood devastation. We continue to pray, and ask you to join our shared effort. In addition, as we shared yesterday, our United Methodist Committee on Relief is already hard at work, bringing healing and hope back to the affected areas. Please visit the following UMCOR information sources, and do as the Lord guides you. Please contact the church with any questions or thoughts. Thank you for being a loving, caring, people of faith. https://umcmission.org/umcor/



<u>CARD REQUEST</u> ~ If you are interested in sending Rev. Billy York a card in the mail, please reach out to the office for the address. Greeting cards would really brighten his day.

C.R. IS COMING! ~ Stay Tuned for more details!

SUPPORT GROUP ~ for widows, widowers and divorcees meets 3rd Thursdays at 11:30 AM in the Conference Room. If you are dealing with grief or feeling a loss, consider joining us for fellowship, discussion. Contact Pauline Childers for more information at (256) 682-4114. Next meeting will be **August 21st**.

<u>COMFORT CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP</u> ~ meets on 4th Sundays of the month at 2 PM in the Conference Room. Next Meeting will be **August 24**th.

<u>WEEKLY PRAYER LIST</u> ~ Thank you for continuing to keep the office updated on additions to the prayer list. Please remember to also notify us if we need to remove someone from the list as well.

<u>CHAIR SET UP</u> ~ We need volunteers to help with chair set up in the gym once monthly. If interested, please contact <u>office@hazelgreen.org</u>

KIDS IN ACTION ~ Meet Sundays 4-6PM. Please contact Mary Ann Smith for more information.

YOUTH GROUP MEETS ~ Sunday nights, from 5:30 - 7:30 PM and Wednesday Nights 5:30- 7:30. All students in 6th - 12th grade are welcome. Contact the office or **cody.mccreary@hazelgreen.org** for more information.

HELP WHERE YOU CAN ~ We have been loving and praying and hoping with our dear friends Linda and David Fry and their family as they have bravely traveled down a tough road. We have a way to help their family love and support them too. Laura Lemley has used all her paid sick leave, though area teachers can donate sick time through the MCBOE sick bank. If you can donate some of your sick time, please let the church office know. You can also contact Laura directly through social media. Below is a link to their GOFUNDME and Meal Train also. Thank you so much for considering a contribution. It will help the whole family greatly this time.

https://gofund.me/8b5ac63d

https://takethemeal.com/meals.php?t=BESX5097