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# THE METHODIST MESSENGER

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## BIBLE SUNDAY, September 23

9 am Sunday School / 10 am Worship

Acolyte - Logan & Lanie Strickland

Liturgist - Maureen Moore

CM - Erin Duff

CC - Laura DCamp & Erin Duff

4 pm - 6 pm Venture Crew (EB)

## Monday, September 24

7 pm Troop 64 (FH)

7 pm Pack 64 (EB)

## Tuesday, September 25

4:30 pm - 8 pm A.R.G. Meeting (FH)

5:45 pm Troop 5552 (EB)

7 pm Troop 5248 (EB)

7 pm Administrative Council Meeting (EB)

## Wednesday, September 26

9 am ACF (DR)

5:30 pm UMYF (EB & FH)

6 pm Bible Study (DR)

6 pm Bell Choir Practice (S)

7 pm Choir Practice (S)

## Thursday, September 27

8 am SoSS

All Day - Jubilee Prison Ministry (FH)

6 pm Troop 5990 (EB)

## Friday, Sept. 28 thru Saturday, Sept. 29

All Day - Jubilee Prison Ministry (FH)

## Sunday, September 30

9 am Sunday School / 10 am Worship

Acolytes -

Liturgist - Kathleen Arnold

CM - Caroline Wadzeck

CC - Laura DCamp & Caroline Wadzeck

4 pm - 6 pm Venture Crew (EB)

## First UMC ~ Prayer List Concerns for:

Liam Anders

Steven Balint

Connie Brandt

Dachelle Brown

Norman Brown

Nick Calderera

Elmer Clark

Richard Cole

Ron Colston

Stacie Davis

Brittany Dewey

James Dorsett

Winnie Evans

Shannon Fenail

Sherrie Grimes

Ruth Hannigan

Bill Hare

Karla Harris

Shayn Henderson

Aaron Holbrook

Haiden Land

Barbara Lang

Butch Lawney

Janice Martin

Kathy McClendon

Ray Pheris

Dannie & Sean Poole

Bonnie Proctor

Nathan Sciara

Jan Schmitz

Richard Senter

Margaret Skullern

Elaina Stanley

Joseph Stanton

Sandra Stephens

Lynn Villermin

Harmony Willard

Sandy Williamson

Lillian Wirick

Donna Yeager

## Family & Friends in Service

David Beauxis (U.S. Army)

Bryan Crocker (U.S. Army)

Andrew Eppler (U.S. Air Force)

Robert E. Evans, III (U.S. Navy)

Joshua Jimenez (U.S. Army)

Joshua Lang (U.S. Army)

Preston Lang (U.S. Army)

Keena D. Lemelle (U.S. Army)

Ian Martin (U.S. Navy)

Alton Owen Moore (U.S. Army)

Morgan Moore (U.S. Army)

Jodie & Derek Powell (U.S. Army)

Blake Schmidt (U.S. Air Force)

Casey Sides (U.S. Air Force)

Corey Thomas Sides (U.S. Army)

Sharri Wilson (U.S. Air Force)

James Zurcher (U.S. Army)

Nicholas Zurcher - (U.S. Army)



Susie Hicks mother, **Barbara Pruitt**, went home to be with our Lord on Wednesday, September 12, 2018.

Please keep her family in your prayers.



**Jim Otto** went home to be with our Lord on Monday, September 10, 2018.

Please keep the Otto family in your prayers.

## Nursing Homes/Assisted Living

Margaret Ritchie - St. James House, Baytown

## Highlights from Home Gatherings

I had a great time at the home gatherings in August and sincerely appreciate everyone who was able to make one. If you weren't able to be at a gathering, but would like to visit, please send me an email ([guy@firstumcdayton.org](mailto:guy@firstumcdayton.org)) or call the church office (936-258-8021) to set something up.

I'll have more to share later, but here's a few quick highlights of what I learned from you:

**We believe in engaging our community in mission and outreach.** This was the number one answer to the question, "What do we do well as a church?" You are (quite rightly) proud of our food pantry, Society of St. Stephen's clothing ministry, Dayton ISD luncheon, mission teams past and present, involvement supporting prison ministry teams, response to disasters, Friends in Deed student support ministry, and more. Our engagement with the community is a deep value and a real strength to build on.

**With the projected growth of the Dayton area, we want to see our church grow too.** The growth coming to Dayton and DISD over the next few years is a major storyline for our area and I've heard it everywhere (even before I arrived). People need Jesus and God desires for the church to reach them. I heard it loud and clear from you: We want to step up to the plate.

**We want to see younger people (young adults, young families, children, and youth) become active members in our church.** No doubt, we want to be a church that loves and serves people of all ages. But, people of all ages expressed a desire to see younger people--and younger families--become devoted followers of Christ through our church.

Here's one statement I heard at a home gathering I'd like to leave you with for now, in response to the question, "If you had a magic wand, what is one hope or dream you would make come true among us?". Let's make it our prayer this month: **"Give the non-church-going people of Dayton a heart for God."**

Amen! Let's do our part to show Dayton the heart of God!

Grace of Christ,

Guy



- 9/19 - Shanna McCracken is providing the meal for the UMYF.
- 9/26 - "See you at the Field" event @ Bronco Stadium. 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. This event is open to all 6th thru 12 graders. There will be free food, prize giveaways, worship music and a speaker!
- 10/3 - **Someone is needed to provide the meal for the UMYF.**
- 10/10- Linda Jamison is providing the meal for the UMYF.
- 10/17- TVE Holiday - no youth group on this date.
- 10/24- **Someone is needed to provide the meal for the UMYF.**

The following students will be receiving Bibles on September 23, 2018:

Emma Arnold, Thomas Brown, Adryan Duff & Lyric Malone

Let's all join in celebrating these 3rd graders.



### FRIENDS IN DEED

...for those in need "One Good Deed at a Time"

Our school year has started and also our FRIENDS IN DEED MINISTRY at FUMC Dayton. We need funding from our generous congregation to maintain our ministry. It costs approximately \$600 per school year for the basic needs of each child we help. Those needs include school supplies, clothing several times a year, hygiene items, jackets, blankets and Christian reading materials.

The next distribution date is Saturday, September 22, 2018 and will consist of Fall clothing, shoes & hygiene items.

Please donate to FRIENDS IN DEED!

### Children's Ministry -

Thank you Jan Knight & Laura DCamp for your help with the children last Sunday.

Kids, please continue to practice the things we strive for as good Methodists and Christians:

1. Coming to Sunday school
2. Coming to worship and children's church
3. Invite a friend to come to church with you
4. Get caught doing "Acts of Kindness"
5. Volunteer to be an acolyte
6. Greet/shake hands with people at church

The schedule for our Children's Ministry is below:

- Sep. 23 - CM - Erin Duff  
CC - Laura DCamp & Erin Duff
- Sep. 30 - CM - Caroline Wadzeck  
CC - Laura DCamp & Caroline Wadzeck
- Oct. 7 - CM - Leanne Strickland
- Oct. 14 - CM - Gary Wirick  
CC - Laura DCamp & Gary Wirick
- Oct. 21 - CM - Jessica Johnson  
CC - Erin Duff & Jessica Johnson
- Oct. 28 - CM - Jay Knight  
CC - Laura DCamp & Jan Knight
- Nov. 4 - CM - Susan Seaberg
- Nov. 11 - CM - Mary Ellen Conner  
CC - Laura DCamp & Jan Knight
- Nov. 18 - CM - Erin Duff  
CC - Laura DCamp & Erin Duff
- Nov. 25 - CM - Pastor Guy  
CC - Laura DCamp



The FUMC Nursery is available for all church functions and meetings.

Please text Dee Merrill @ 936-346-4640 for reservations.

<p><b>CHURCH STAFF</b> - Guy Williams, Pastor guy@firstumcdayton.org Erin Duff, Youth Director Erin.duff@daytonisd.net Laura DCamp, Choir Director lauradcamp@gmail.com Margaret Black, Organist malob1@yahoo.com John Vance, Pianist &amp; Hand bell Choir Director - Pianoman00_99@yahoo.com Brenda Henscey, Admin. Asst. info@firstumcdayton.org Dee Merrill, Nursery Coordinator &amp; Bldg. Supervisor Text Dee @ 936-346-4640 Margarett Land, Nursery margarettland65@gmail.com</p>	<p><b>STEWARDSHIP</b> <b>September 16, 2018</b></p> <p>Yearly budget to date <b>\$ 254,552.60</b></p> <p>Received to date <b>\$ 192,648.09</b></p> <p><b>Under budget</b> <b>\$ 61,904.51</b></p>	<p>The deadline for the next issue of <i>The Methodist Messenger</i> is October 15th @ 12:00 pm.</p>
		<p><b>ATTENDANCE</b> <b>September 16, 2018</b></p> <p>Worship - 155 Sunday School - 44</p>