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# Catch the Spirit



## THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Monday, March 11, 2019

Office Hours 8:30 am—12:30 pm

### THE CHURCH LEADERSHIP

#### Administrative Council

The Administrative Council is made up of all the chairpersons of the various committees and the Council members at-large. Their job is to lead the congregation in long-range planning and in carrying out its programs. They oversee, administer and support the various committees and congregation.

The Council studies the hopes, concerns and needs of people in the congregation and community to determine how we might serve them and how they may serve one another as Christian disciples. They initiate planning, establish goals and objectives, develop programs, and evaluate effectiveness of the ministry and mission of the congregation. The council is to encourage understanding of and commitment to inclusiveness in the life of the congregation. They fill vacancies in committee positions between meetings of the charge conference, upon the recommendation of the committee on lay leadership. They maintain our congregation's connection with appropriate district and annual conference programs and structures and are accountable to the charge conference.

Members of the Administrative Council are: David Cole (chair), Sherry McDonald (Sec. of the Council, Financial secretary, and Worship chair), Monty Teeter (Lay Leader), Paul & Gayle Schacht (Lay Delegate to Annual Conf.), Amy Kellison (SPRC chair), Marlon McDonald (Trustee chair), Ted Young (Finance chair), Tracy Long (Treasurer), Cheryl Teeter (Evangelism chair), Kathy Young (Discipleship chair), Eddie Teeter (Missions chair), Kathy Kellison (Fellowship chair), Monty Teeter (Methodist Men's chair), Bro. Ricky & Kristi Carstensen (Youth Pastor), Ricky Carstensen (Pastor).

#### At-Large Members of the Administrative Council

The At-large members of the Administrative Council participate as full members in the discussions and decision-making processes of the Council. They are voting members with no committee responsibility or they may choose a committee on which to serve. They should be available to be appointed for special events or circumstances for short periods of time. They are eyes and ears for the Council. They should visit with and listen to the congregation with the intention of sharing this knowledge with the Council and then sharing the Council's response with the congregation members. They are to present their particular perspectives on the concerns and programs being considered, so that the congregation may minister more effectively in our community.

Members At-Large of the Administrative Board are: Jerry Johnson, Jerry Ford, Milt Schaeffer, Brent Barker, and Charlotte Mitchell

#### *Given in Memory*

In memory of Marie Strickland by Jerry & Dani Johnson  
In memory of Marie Strickland & Dahlia Hight by Keith & Marcia Phillips

Monty Teeter



Donuts—Seekers



March 17-Glassons

## *Prayer Needs*

Embre & LouAnn Douglas	Michael Wilson	Need for Rain	Tammy Elms
Mary Ann Corsey	Karis Carstensen	Davis Duniven	Linda Amador
Barbara Baldwin	Roxanne Becker	Bobbie Bennett	Harriet Boore
Billy Briscoe	Claude Brown	Gail Cole	Helen Cole
Violet Cooper	Patty Crowder	Harlan & Sherri Curry	Dub Dippery
Marie Doucette	Jim & Denise Doucette	Kreyton Ellison	
Ray & Linda Gant	Dub Hallmark	Gene Hanley	Nita Henderson
Linley Herring	G L Hight	Charles Huffman	Glenda Jones
Naomi Jones	Bill Lamb	Vance Lemons	Tracy Long
Paul Marmelejo	Alexis Marshall	Dan & Janie McAnally	Sherry McDonald
Warren Mitchell	Karen Noel	Jeff & Kelly Pachiano	Paul & Zora Reecer
Hazel Reeves	Mattee Rehkopf	Michael Rose	Sammie Setliff
Roger Stapp & family	Michael Tibbets	Grace Tooley	Ethan Weaver
Jessica Wiley	Bethany Wilson (Hight)	David & Janette Workman	Unspoken Requests
Steve & Lequita Wilterding	Travelers	Schools, Hospital, City & Community Businesses	
Our country, its leaders, military and families, first responders		Growth of our Church	

### **March Memory Scripture**

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast.  
Ephesians 2:8-9 NKJV

### **Attendance & Offering**

Worship Attendance—68

Offering—\$9573.00

The Missions Committee and any who would like to help will be feeding the WT Wesley on March 26th. They are needing you to bring cookies and brownies to serve before that date. May be brought to office or kitchen. For more information you may contact Shawnda Foster or Eddie Teeter.

## *Joys of Our Hearts*

Davis is going to Red River!; Paul & Zora Reecer are home after Paul's heart attack; Margaret Schacht is joyful to have family visiting; Karen Noel is tolerating her chemo treatments thus far; Got some moisture; Kaden Young celebrated his first birthday!; Texas Tech Men's Basketball won Big 12 championship; Carter Duniven is glad for spring break; Roxanne Becker is in remission!



*“Come now, let’s settle this, says the Lord. “Though your sins are like scarlet, I will make them as white as snow.” Isaiah 1:18 NLT*

### **Nothing but the Blood**

**Robert Lowery**

*“Without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.” Heb. 9:22*

Robert Lowery was born in Philadelphia on March 12, 1826. He became an ordained Baptist minister and professor at what is now Bucknell University. Lowery wanted to be known as a preacher rather than a hymn writer, but it is his hymns by which he is best remembered. Robert Lowery wrote many well known hymns including: We’re Marching to Zion, I Need Thee Every Hour, Shall We Gather at the River, Christ Arose and Nothing but the Blood (which was based on Hebrews 9:22). Lowery was married and had three sons. He died on November 23, 1899.

The United Methodist Hymnal committee changed one word in the original refrain. The text “white as snow” was changed to “bright as snow”. Lowery also originally wrote six stanzas, but most hymnals, including the United Methodist Hymnal, reduce it to four. Lowery’s theme in this song is obvious. In answer to the question, “What can wash away my sin?” the singer will repeat “nothing but the blood of Jesus” twelve times within the four stanzas.

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
O precious is the flow that makes me bright as snow;  
No other fount I know; nothing but the blood of Jesus.

### *Our Church Sweethearts*

*Embre & LouAnn Douglas      GL Hight      Ann Gay      Sylvia Hill*  
*Bobby & Ann McCormick      Ron & Edwina Davenport      Meredith McCulloch*  
*James & Nelda Morris      Lucy Dean Record      Paul & Zora Reecer*  
*Eugene Tannahill      Maxine Strickland*

### **Festival of Table!**

June 22 is just around the corner, ladies, for The Festival of Tables. We would love for you to sign up to decorate a table. It is really a fun and special day for our church and community. The proceeds go to our missions. The meal is great and the entertainment will bless you. Give us a call. If you would be willing to give a door prize, call Kathy Kellison.

Blessings, Cheryl

### *Happy Birthday*

Charles Huffman, 14  
Bethany McCulloch, 15  
JW Jackson, 17  
Jerald Johnson, 18

### **Ushers for March 17:**

D Rasco  
M Lass  
R Kellison



### **Upcoming Opportunities for Worship & Service**

March 12-No Bible Study  
March 13-No Handbell practice  
March 17-No Youth  
March 17-Ad Council Meeting @ 7 pm  
March 18-Mobile Food Pantry @ 10 am  
March 19-Bible Study @ 6 pm  
March 20-Handbell practice @ 6 pm  
March 20-Missions meeting @ 7 pm  
March 26-Missions feed WT  
March 26-Bible Study @ 6 pm

