

The Methodist Messenger

September 2020

United Methodist Church ~ Lindsay, Oklahoma

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Sunday, September 6

14th Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Communion

Developing a Christian Memory

1 Corinthians 4:6-8

Special Music by Lacie Wilkins

Sunday School 9:45am

Worship 10:55am

Sunday, September 13

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Witness the Good News

Matthew 28:16-20

Special Music by Carol Cameron

Men's Breakfast

Sunday School 9:45am

Worship 10:55am

Sunday, September 20

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Faithfull Stewardship

Mark 10:17-27

Special Music by Pat Break

Sunday School 9:45am

Worship 10:55am

Sunday, September 27

17th Sunday after Pentecost

Speaking Words of Live & Power

Matthew 12:33-37

Special Music by Justin Davis

Sunday School 9:45am

Worship 10:55am



September 1st we will "Reopen the church"! We will be back to business as usual! This means Worship, Sunday School, meetings, and all regular activities will be back to normal just like before the coronavirus. The church office will be functioning with the doors unlocked also.

Our first worship service back in the Sanctuary will be on Sunday, September 6th. Mask will not be required but those wanting to wear one are encouraged to do as they are comfortable doing. We have mask available and several new automatic hand sanitizer stands throughout the church. One is located in the narthex, one outside the parlor/ kitchen area and another as you enter the office doors. Classrooms will have hand sanitizer bottles for use.

As we join together for Sunday School, please enter through the office doors. There will be someone stationed there to check temperatures with a non-contact infrared thermometer. At 10:25am the office doors will be locked and we ask that you enter the church through the Sanctuary front doors. At that time, there will be someone there to check your temperature.



UMYF will resume meeting on Wednesday, September 2nd from 5:30-7pm. We will have dinner and a lesson. On September 9th at 5:00pm there will be a meeting to discuss plans for this year's Pumpkin Patch. The Lindsay Public Schools is not allowing fieldtrips this year. But we will discuss other ways to get people and fun in our Pumpkin Patch.

Choir will resume on Wednesday, September 9th at 7:00pm. Adult Handbells will resume in October and Junior Handbells will resume in January 2021.



Friday, October 9th we will serve lunch to the Lindsay High School football team, cheerleaders, and coaches. If you are able to donate towards the cost of this meal or can help prepare it. Please contact Barbara Thomas.

"Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood."

~Luke 22:43-44

This first Sunday of September, the sermon will be about developing a Christian memory. The last Sunday of August was on Prayer and I'm just not finished with that topic yet. Sometimes our prayers are so intense, we struggle and labor in anguish. We want our way, but we desperately want God's will to be done.

In Genesis, Jacob wrestles with a stranger all night long and it is strongly suggested that this stranger was God. The closest parallel to Jacob's struggle is Jesus praying in the Garden of Gethsemane. The Greek word used in this narrative is *agonia*. The English translation is *agony*. Jesus is struggling in such anguish that Luke uses an extraordinary metaphor: *His sweat became like great drops of blood*. Jesus' sweat falls to the ground the way blood might drip. That imagery of blood ties Gethsemane to Golgotha.

We may not "sweat like blood falling to the ground" every time we approach God in prayer, but such times may come when we are facing severe circumstances: bedside vigil for a child, facing a terminal diagnosis for oneself or loved one.

When faced with *agonia* in prayer, remember the second thing about Jesus' garden prayer: the presence and gift of God's grace strengthens us so we can pray. There was an angelic presence in the garden that night that prepared and sustained Jesus through his prayer. God's grace and presence will prepare you and sustain you through prayers that take you to the depths of life and death. You do not go alone or unaided. God is with you. So you may pray. So you may live. So you may hope.

When I am weary and without words, be with me, O God. Strengthen me with your grace for my labors and my prayers. Sustain me by your presence. Amen.

~Pastor Jacki

Life in the Body of Christ

...Our Presence in August...

Worship 74

...Our Gifts...

Needed Weekly \$4,717.65

Received...

August	2	\$5,532.00
	9	\$3,609.00
	16	\$2,870.00
	23	\$1,620.00
	30	\$925.00

TOTAL \$14,556.00

\$23,588.25 was needed to meet all of our church needs for the month. We were under that amount by \$9,032.25



Facebook.com/LindsayUMC

...UMC Food Pantry...



All food items are welcomed, we prefer non-perishable items as they are easy to store. But we have

freezer space available if you would like to bring meat, veggies or any other freezer item. Please bring items to the church kitchen.

- Canned veggies/tomatoes
- Canned chili
- Soups/ Stews
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Dry beans & rice
- Instant potatoes
- Dry noodles

We give food to those in need monthly by appointment. If you are interested in donating your time or gifts please contact the church office. There is a full list of suggestions on our website.

...Our Prayers...

Dillon Baker, Pat Wall, Jim Garrett
Expectant Mother: Amanda (Bevers) Gibson (due date September 5, 2020)

Shut-ins: Wilma Johnson, Pat Wall

Facing Health Challenges:

Leah Albright, Sarah Burke, Quala Chisom, Tom Herrin (hip), Jacob Loman, Sharon Fisher's nephew Michael, Rachel Franklin, Leah Kennedy, Bill Pool, Nancy Rogers, Katilyn Spencer, Julia Murray

...Condolences...

...to the Scruggs family
Lynn's sister Marietta Spencer passed away on August 27, 2020.

Pastoral Calls: Emergency or Non-emergency

When times of crisis, sudden illness, or death happen, your pastor is available any time of the day or night to offer prayers, be a spiritual support, and if need be, offer last rites and prayers for the dying. Call the church office during office hours: 756-2382.

Any other time, please call Jacki's cell phone: 580-445-7464.

...Thank You's...

"Thank You for thinking of us" Thank you for the lunch. ~Lindsay Elementary School

Thank You for providing lunch for our faculty & staff. "Thank you so much for lunch You blessed us for sure" ~Lindsay Middle School

Thank you for taking the time to make a wonderful lunch for our staff. We are truly blessed by your generosity. ~Lindsay High School

Thank you, Barbara, for your time and talents used to coordinate another large meal! We appreciate all of your hard work! ~LUMC family

September Birthdays

3rd Darron Henson
5th Grant Cleary
Glen Kemerling
7th Jana Boyce
8th Ed Bevers
Steve Pracht
12th Mike Stevens
15th Phillip Crawford
18th Sara (Boyce) Kirby
20th Maeve Amelia Cleary
22nd Barbara Thomas
Pat Wall
Amelia Harrison
23rd Ricky Webb
25th Tommy Ferguson
Resa Taylor
27th Toni Little
28th Miranda Edwards
29th Josh Holinsworth

September Anniversaries

1st Dennis & Kay Mote
2nd Mike & Brenda Postlethwaite
4th Mike & Leah Stevens
6th Doyle & Brenda Greteman
14th Steve & Nancy Pracht

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS ARE NEEDED!

Have you ever felt the call to teach? Would you be interested in teaching each Sunday? OR maybe being in a rotation for a week or two a month? Please contact Lacie ASAP to discuss the needs in our children's department.



You are Invited . . .

We are re-entering the Sanctuary this Sunday for worship and we do have some guidelines.

1. **We will take your temperature as you enter the building. Please do not proceed until your temperature is taken. Only one set of doors will be open at a time so we can insure the safety of all who enter.**
 - a. 9:00 – 10:30 – The glass doors to the Education building (by the nursery/offices)
 - b. 10:30 – 1:00 – The glass doors to the Sanctuary
2. **Wearing masks (or some kind of face covering).**
 - a. Please wear a mask or some kind of face covering in the hallways.
 - b. Sunday school teachers will decide if you need a mask in the classrooms.
 - c. In the Sanctuary: If you are not wearing a mask, please sit on the west side, and those wearing masks may sit on the east side.
3. **Sanctuary is in two sections. Masks on piano side; no masks on street side.**
 - a. Enter the sanctuary through the double doors (which will be closed).
 - i. You may deposit your offering in the offering box just inside the door.
 - ii. Please sit on pew that is not blocked off, keeping a distance between families.
 - iii. We are using bulletins. Please do not leave them in the pew, but take them out of the building with you. There will be a recycle bin to put them in just outside the doors.

We have purchased equipment to sterilize the church and hope you feel comfortable coming. There are hand sanitizer stands as you enter the building on the south side and as you enter the sanctuary. We have equipped all the bathrooms with sanitizer and disinfectant spray.

If you do not feel comfortable coming, we will still be live-streaming on KBLP radio 105.1 FM and on Facebook at Lindsay United Methodist Church. Our website has a link to the Radio broadcast, as well as bulletins for you to follow along as we worship. One of the things available on Facebook is the capability to make comments among yourselves during the live streaming. Take advantage of that as you worship with us. Also, if you are watching from home, “Like” us on Facebook so we know you are there.

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**Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.
The People of the United Methodist Church.**

UMYF will resume at the church on September 2, 2020.

We will meet from 5:30pm-7:00pm as usual with dinner & a lesson.

Our study is called

"Table Talk Bible Stories You Should Know"

These lessons go back to the beginning.

These lessons come from Genesis, Exodus, and Deuteronomy.

Dinner Plans

September 2: Sloppy Joes w/ Tater tots & Green Beans

September 9: Build Your Own Sub Sandwich Night

September 16: Breakfast for Dinner, Pancakes!

September 23: Spaghetti w/ Garlic Bread & Salad

September 30: Chicken Strips w/ mashed potatoes & gravy

Dessert: Walden

Dessert: Goleman

Dessert: Dutton

Dessert: Salie

Dessert: Richardson

**JUNIOR BELLS WILL NOT RESUME UNTIL
JANUARY 2021**

September 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		Prayer Group 6:00pm	UMYF 5:30pm			
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Holy Communion Sunday School 9:45am Worship 10:55am	LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED	Prayer Group 6:00pm	UMYF 5:30pm Choir 7:00pm			
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Men's Breakfast Sunday School 9:45am Worship 10:55am		UMW 9:30am Prayer Group 6:00pm	UMYF 5:30pm Choir 7:00pm	Bloodmobile		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Sunday School 9:45am Worship 10:55am		Prayer Group 6:00pm	UMYF 5:30pm Choir 7:00pm			Pumpkins Arrive 4:30pm
27	28	29	30			
Sunday School 9:45am Worship 10:55am		Prayer Group 6:00pm	UMYF 5:30pm Choir 7:00pm			

Adult Handbells will resume in October.

UMC will feed the LHS Football team on October 9th.