



Tower Views



First it was the Royals – winning the World Series! Now it's the Chiefs – winning their first playoff game in 20 years. It's an incredible time to be a sports fan in the Kansas City area. Go Chiefs!

Watching both the Royals and the Chiefs, it's also a great time to remember that it takes a whole team of players to be successful. And the same is true for the church. It takes each of us doing our part for the church to thrive as the Body of Christ.

As we begin the new year, we have a great team to lead our church. I give thanks for our church staff. I could not be successful in my ministry without the great staff we have. I appreciate each of them very much

In this newsletter you will find a list of some of our key leaders for 2016. Please join me in thanking these faithful folks for helping to lead our church.

Brad

Daily Bible Reading and Prayer

Sun	Isaiah 40:28-31 Turn your grief & sorrow over to God
Mon	Psalms 116:1-9 Pray for those who are struggling with grief & sorrow
Tue	John 11:1-44 Give thanks for Jesus' example of feeling & expressing our emotions
Wed	Isaiah 53:1-12 Give thanks for Jesus' sacrificial love
Thu	2 Corinthians 1:3-7 Ask God to comfort you in your pain & invite God to use you to comfort others
Fri	Romans 5:3-5 Ask God to help you develop endurance & hope
Sat	1 Thessalonians 4:13-14 Give thanks for God's hope in Christ

Next Week

Sunday, Sunday January 17th

8:15—Early Worship
9:00—Continental Breakfast
9:30—Sunday School
6:00—First Steps

Monday, January 18th

4:00—Clinton Cougars 4H
5:15—Learner Bells
6:00—Bells

Wednesday, January 20th

10:00—Bible Study
3:00—UMYF
3:30—Angelus Choir
7:00—Chancel Choir

Thursday, January 21st

5:00—Cub Scouts

Saturday, January 23rd

9:30—Youth to WOW

Offering Envelopes

Don't forget to stop in the Green Room to pick up your 2016 Offering Envelopes. If you don't see one for yourself, contact the church office.

2015 Giving Statements

Call or email the church office or mark the connect card if you'd like a printed summary of your 2015 contributions and we will mail one to you.

The Power to Endure the Darkness

Confirmation

Confirmation is about to begin for any of our youth in 6th grade or older. An orientation session for all the confirmation youth and their parents is scheduled for Sunday, January 31, at 9:30 am in the middle school youth room. The Confirmation sessions will begin the following Sunday, February 7, at 9:15 am. Confirmation is an opportunity for your youth to explore what it means to be a faithful disciple of Jesus and a committed member of God's church. Please contact the church office or Brad Reed if you have a youth who is planning to participate in Confirmation.

First Step to Membership

Anyone interested in learning more about our church and the commitments of membership is invited to a First Step session on Sunday, January 17, at 4 pm. Pastor Brad Reed will lead this introduction to our church and the expectations of membership. Please contact Brad at 492-3060 if you have questions.



Duane "Buddy" Judd
Darrin Taylor
Bev Lucas
Patricia Hendricks
Betty Brecht

Joel Semler
Charles Portwood
Jill Bernard
Wilbur Slocum
Jay Hunter

Shirley Mothersbaugh
Irene Seiler
Claude Lynch
Joe Harrelson
Tom Drendel

Susan Turner
Robin Hays
Fred McAllister

Worship Assistants

Greeter 8:30

Jim and Amanda Huenefeldt

Greeters 10:30

Youth

Gathering Music:

8:30—David Cummings

10:30 – Marnie Bellamy

Ushers 8:30

Duane and Carolyn Harms

Acolytes 8:30

Cole Heistand and Phillip Harrison

Song Leader

Brenda Eaton

Children's Worship Leader

Jennifer Kiely

Special Offering for Missouri Flood Victims

Many people across our state have experienced flooding during the past two weeks. United Methodists have already begun delivering flood buckets filled with clean up supplies to assist these people and United Methodists will continue to help out as long as there are needs. We are receiving a special offering to support this flood recovery effort. Please mark your gift "Missouri Floods." Thank you to everyone who already made a gift to support the flood recovery effort this past Sunday.

Red Cross Disaster Classes

The Red Cross would like to establish a disaster response team in Clinton. Currently, there is not a team of people from our community who are trained to respond if a disaster struck our community. The Red Cross will host an initial training session to begin forming a disaster response team on Saturday, January 16, from 9 am – 4 pm at St. Paul's Episcopal Church on East Highway 7. If you are interested in being a part of this training, please contact Brad Reed for more information.

Key Leaders for 2016

Brenda Ford

Council Chair

Fred McAllister

Lay Leader

Susan Mosley

Outreach Chair

Tonya Harrison

Witness Chair

Janet Parks

Nurture Chair

Wendell Hoffman

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Berry Beebe

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Jim Switzer

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Mary Jo Cable

Lay Member to

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Eunice Wright

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Ed Morehead

UM Men's President

Vivian Taylor

Sunday School

Superintendent

Kathy Mann

Children's Council

Chair