



Tower Views



Coming Up!

Saturday, October 27th

7:30—UMM at Dietz Buffet

9-12—Church Work Day

Sunday, October 28th

Jubilee Sunday

8:15—Early Worship

9:00—Fellowship Time

9:30—Sunday School

10:30—Late Service

11:30—Potluck Lunch

12:30—PMF Presentation

Monday, October 29th

5:15—Learner Bells

6:00—Bells

7:00—Guitars

Tuesday, October 30th

4:30—Children's Council

Wednesday, October 31st

10:15—Women's Bible Study

3:00—Middle School UMYF

3:30—Angelus Choir

No Kids Guitars

5:00—High School UMYF

7:00—Chancel Choir

Thursday, November 1st

1:00—Stitch and Chat

Sunday, November 4th

All Saints Day

8:15—Early Worship

9:00—Fellowship Time

9:30—Sunday School

10:30—Late Service

4:00—Soup & Sew

This Sunday will be **Jubilee Sunday**. It is a day to celebrate the faithfulness and dedication of all those who've been members of our church for 50 years or more. We have a great day of activities planned.

This year also marks the 50th anniversary of St. James United Methodist Church uniting with Clinton United Methodist Church. The bell outside the east door of the church came from St. James and the cover has recently been repaired. Following late service we will have a brief gathering at the bell to celebrate its meaning.

At 11:30 am we will have a Potluck Dinner in the gym. Everyone is encouraged to bring a dish and share in a wonderful time of great food and great fellowship.

Following the potluck at 12:30 pm, the PMF Committee (Perpetual Ministries Fund) will host an informational meeting. Anyone who would like to learn more about our Perpetual Ministry Funds or different options for giving to these funds is encouraged to attend.

I hope you will be part of some or all of the great things happening this Sunday. It will be a great day to celebrate our church!

P.S. I hope you will join us for the **Church-wide Work Day** planned for this Saturday morning, October 27, from 9-12. As my mother used to say, "Many hands makes light work."

Daily Bible Reading and Prayer

Sunday

Philippians 2:1-5

Ask God for the grace to become a better listener

Monday

James 1:19-21

Confess those times you've been quick to speak and slow to listen

Tuesday

Mark 4:24-25

Open your heart to listen for God's wisdom and guidance

Wednesday

Ephesians 4:29-32

Pray your words will encourage others

Thursday

Proverbs 18:1-2

Confess the times you wanted to express your opinion, not hear others

Friday

Proverbs 18:13-15

Pray that you will be open to learn from others

Saturday

Proverbs 18:19-21

Pray for those separated by an argument or conflict

This Weekend!

Church Wide Work Day!

Everyone is invited - more hands gets more things done! We will meet at the church on Saturday, October 27th from 9:00—Noon. We will mulch beds, wipe down kitchens, wipe down pews, paint back stairwell, sort through folding chairs for bent/broken ones, clean out on & under stage and whatever else we can accomplish to give the church a good spruce up! We'll be ready for winter and the holiday season!



Pot Luck Lunch

We have a Pot Luck Lunch coming up this Sunday, October 28th. We will gather in the gym after late service for a time of food & fellowship.

Perpetual Ministry Fund

The Perpetual Ministry Fund committee will be hosting an informational meeting this Sunday, October 28, 2018, at 12:30, right after the church-wide potluck dinner. At this meeting we will discuss various ways of giving to the Perpetual Ministry Fund, as well as the importance of proper estate planning. The PMF committee has asked several local attorneys to attend to answer any questions you might have regarding estate planning and giving to the PMF committee.

The funds contained in the PMF support a wide variety of ministries. The goal of the PMF is to ensure that our church can continue its good works well into the future. Please join us for this informational meeting.

Festival of Sharing

Every year churches across Missouri gather funds and items for a variety of mission projects as part of the Festival of Sharing. Those gifts are then distributed to people in need throughout Missouri, across the United States and around the world.

Again this year, our church is receiving a special offering for two ministries that we have supported for many years: PETs – to provide mobility for people who are unable to walk

Heifer Project – to provide animals, and the training needed to raise them, to people in poverty around the world to help them become self-sufficient.

Please use one of the special “Festival of Sharing envelopes or mark your gift “Festival of Sharing.” So many people will be blessed by your giving heart!



Festival of Sharing



Prayer Requests

Baby Mallory Scott and mother Jessica Scott & family

Madison Yoder
Carlene Lowe
Jarrod Boyles
Donny Burton
Tommy Durrill
Tom Ross
Caroline Wilson
George Kirchhofer
Ashley Parks
Gary Dubina
Melvin Dennis
Arnie Drendel
Pat Snyder
Jill Bernard
Jane Mautino
Darlene Anderson
Vickie Sims
Sharlene Wirsig
Norma Grimsley
Jean Ann Sidwell
Chastity Gillen
Margie Best
Roger Self
Joan Hagemier
Rick Wolf
Wylie Brown
Tracy Guppy
Mike Lester
Shirley Stone
Rosie Banfield

Sunday Worship Assistants

Gathering Music:

8:15—Peggy Arthur

10:30— Janet Parks

8:15 Song Leader: Karen Switzer

8:15 Ushers:

Shirley Harrison & Don Turner

8:15 Greeters: Janet Parks

Larry & Eunice Wright

8:15 Acolytes:

Nora Parks & Jocelyn Himes

Continental Breakfast: Garnetts

10:30 Greeters:

Ted Bolich & Sharon Warnaca

Boann Parks & Frances Harvey

Children's Time: Kelli Jenkins

Bus Driver: Travis Smith

Prayer Vigil

As we enter this Thanksgiving season, we will be hosting a 24-hour prayer vigil. What better way to give thanks to God for all the blessings He has bestowed on us than entering in a quiet time of prayer and reflection.

The prayer vigil will be held in the chapel and will begin at 8:00 a.m., on Saturday, November 17 and end at 8:00 a.m., Sunday, November 18. A sign-up sheet is available in the Green Room.

Prayerfully consider spending some time in the chapel on this special weekend.

Stop by the library!

Denise Moore, with her helper, Judy, have made a wonderful fall/thanksgiving display in the hallway by the chapel. Kids, stop by and see the assortment of books they have picked out for you this fall!

Adults, don't forget about our library, it's such a great asset to our church. Lots of good inspirational books to read!



Soup and Sew

Two Sundays for twice the fun!

November 4th and

11th from 2-6. Join us to sew kids' Christmas program costumes and then make Christmas presents the following week! More information to follow. Sign up by the church office door or call the office if you can attend.



UMM to Meet

United Methodist Men will hold their monthly breakfast at Dietz Family Buffet, this Saturday, October 27th at 7:30 AM.



Bags for Foster Kids

Thanks for all the donations. The closet for bags is full and they can't take any more donations! We will let you know when they need more!

Fundraiser Lunch for Sweet Caroline!

Caroline, 5 month old daughter of Daniel and Rachel Wilson (she is also the baby sister to BIG brother Danny who is two), was diagnosed with leukemia last week and is a patient at Children's Mercy Hospital. A community-wide fundraiser BBQ lunch with Silent Auction will be held this Tuesday, October 30th from 11am-2:00 at the Rotary Building. Tickets are available at the Chamber of Commerce.

Gobble, Gobble, Gobble

Holy Rosary's annual Turkey Dinner will be on Sunday November 4th from 11:30-2:00.



Churchwide Thanksgiving Dinner

Mark your calendars for another chance to join together with food and fellowship. We will gather to share our annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Sunday, November 18 at 11:30 am. The turkey, dressing and gravy will be provided. Everyone is invited to come enjoy all the great food and friendship as we celebrate God's blessings together!

A Way Forward



The United Methodist Church around the world has long been wrestling with several issues that threaten to divide our denomination – primary among them are issues around homosexuality and gay marriage. Currently, there are a wide range of views on these issues within the denomination that threaten the unity of our denomination. United Methodists from across the United States and around the globe will be gathering in St. Louis in February for a special General Conference to try to chart a path forward for the denomination.

In preparation for that special General Conference, the Bishops of the United Methodist Church appointed a commission – the Commission on a Way Forward – to explore different options for the future of our denomination and what some of those options might mean for local congregations, annual conferences and the United Methodist Church in America and around the world. The Commission has completed their work and has provided three options to the Bishops. These three options will provide a starting point for the work of the General Conference. The General Conference will have the authority to alter, adjust, amend or ignore any or all of the proposals from the Commission on a Way Forward.

On Wednesday, October 31, Bishop Bob Farr will be hosting a series of conversations in our Heartland District to share about the report of the Commission on a Way Forward and the upcoming General Conference. Those gatherings will be held at Red Bridge UMC in Kansas City (10 am), Grace UMC in Lee's Summit (2 pm) and Warrensburg UMC (6:30 pm). Everyone interested is invited to attend one of these sessions to learn more about the commission's proposals and the General Conference process.

The General Conference will be made up of representatives from every annual conference in the United Methodist Church. Among the representatives from Missouri will be Rev. Cody Collier, our former District Superintendent, and Margie Briggs from Drake's Chapel and Calhoun UMCs. Please be in prayer for Cody, Margie, Bishop Farr and all of the delegates to the General Conference.

Dates Through Year End

- Oct 28—Jubilee Sunday
- Oct 28—11:30—Potluck Lunch
- Oct 28—12:30—PMF presentation
- Nov 4—All Saints Commemoration Sunday
- Nov 11—Blanket Sunday (offering for Christmas Cheer blankets)
- Nov 17 8am-Nov 18 8am—Prayer Vigil
- Nov 18—11:30—Thanksgiving Dinner
- Nov 18—6pm—Community Thanksgiving Service
- Nov 20—6pm—Kids painting class
- Nov 22-23—Office Closed
- Nov 23—5:15—Band plays at the square before parade
- Nov 28—5:00—Supper with Santa
- Dec 2—4pm—Christmas Sing-A-Long for the Henry County Memory Fund
- Dec 9—10:30—Angelus Choir Christmas program
- Dec 23—Red Sweater Sunday
- Dec 23—Youth Bake Sale
- Dec 24—Office Closed
- Dec 24—Christmas Eve Services at 4 & 7
- Dec 25—1pm—Christmas Dinner
- Dec 30—Last Day for 2018 Contributions

