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YEARS OF MINISTRY**



OUR VISION:


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OUR MISSION:

“Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the World!”

Events Coming Up in October 2017

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PASTOR'S NOTE

You have heard us in the past talk about giving back to God. But when was the last time in church that you talked about earning or saving? Is it unchristian to earn money? Is it wrong to save for ourselves and our families?

John Wesley didn't think so. Wesley, the Christian evangelist and founder of the Methodist movement, gave a remarkable sermon called "The Use of Money." In it, he said that the important thing isn't money itself, but how we use it. In other words, what matters is what we do with the money we have. Wesley's surprising advice still rings true today: earn all you can, save all you can, give all you can.

*During the month of October, we will be learning about Wesley's advice through our stewardship program, **Earn. Save. Give: Wesley's Simple Rules for Money.** Wesley's surprising advice applies to all faithful Christians who, like most of us, struggle with money. To give you a taste of what is to come, the sermon titles and texts that I will be preaching from are listed below:*

October 1st: If You Could Ask for Anything (1 Kings 3:1-13)

October 8th: Money—The Excellent Gift (*No, I haven't been watching Wayne's World*) (Luke 12:42-48)

October 15th: You Can't, Even if You Want To (Proverbs 13:11)

October 22nd: How Far Will You Go? (Proverbs 11:25)

*Looking Forward,
Pastor Jim*

God's Cupboard



UPDATE

Bet you didn't know the "Cupboard" could type. I just wanted to tell you again how much I have appreciated all of your contributions. Can you believe it — for two weeks after "MY" Sunday, 208 items have been taken from my shelves! Wow! We are reaching those that need our help in the community.

October 8th will be your chance to once again help fill my shelves.

A BIG thank you again!!

- God's Cupboard

Trunk or Treat

October 28th, 6:00—7:30 pm

Volunteers are needed to help provide items for the party! If you can help, please sign up in the Narthex & outside Thompson Hall on the display board! Thanks so much!



NEW CALENDAR APP



Download the TeamUp app from your APP STORE. When prompted, enter the key code below to log in.

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Once logged in, the Calendar for Harper Chapel will automatically pop up. This App will allow you to view the church events across multiple platforms. If you prefer to view from a desktop computer, just typeset the key code above, after entering the following in your url bar:

<https://teamup.com/>

Please contact the Office if you need any help. Hope you enjoy it!

Church Conference October 29, 2017

Our annual church conference will be held on October 29th.

We will have a single worship service at 10:00 AM followed by a covered dish lunch, our celebration of the commitments we have made to honor God with our gifts, and then a business session led by our District Superintendent.

Things to Know:

- ◆ The Date: October 29th
- ◆ The Agenda: We will vote on the Simplified Structure recommendation, nominations for the Leadership Team, compensation for the Pastor, the Care of Members report, and other reports as needed.
- ◆ One Service at 10:00 a.m..
- ◆ Bring a vegetable or starch dish to feed you and yours and about 4-5 more
- ◆ The United Methodist Men are providing the meat.
- ◆ The UMW is providing the dessert.
- ◆ We will be announcing the results of our commitments during the service....

What to do:

Mark your calendar for October 29th.

Plan what you are going to bring.

Pray about what your commitment to God will be.

Join in the fun of the day.

**PRAYER LIST:
JOYS & CONCERNS**

Jack Campbell
Denny Murrow
Hazel Croy
Sharon Shrimpf (Culver's)
Shelley Burks
Colleen Brayfield
Elaine Blackwell
Arrena Bradford
Rosalie Christiansen
Kim Turner & family
Tom Walker
Christine Troyer
Elizabeth Neill (Wheeler's)
Pat Grady (Myers')
Rick & Robert Myers
Kristen Turner
Jerry Thompson
Bob Campbell
Shawn Pederson (Karen's)
Janice Reynolds
Gary Goswick
Bill Culver
Jon & Nona Thompson
Corra McGowin
Nicklas Family

**Members & friends
facing hard times**

Bahule UMC
& Maivene UMC
Mozambique churches
sponsored by Harper
Chapel
All Men and Women
serving our country
Local families in need

**Members & friends
in Long-Term-Care
Facilities**

Lakeside Meadows:
Donna McClaughy
Jackie Ufheil
Margaret Berry
Elaine Blackwell
Juanita Grote
Irene Schulte
Mary Barber
Ozark Healthcare Center:
Ruby Short

**Please call
348-2617 to update
a Prayer Request**

October is Stewardship
Emphasis month, when we
prayerfully consider what
we will give back to the
Lord for the year ahead.
Please keep this in your
prayers so that God may be
glorified through our
giving, now and always.

Shining Stars

We had an extremely busy month in preschool. We spent two weeks learning about Community Helpers and were blessed to have visitors come and talk to us about their jobs. We have Nurse Katie from the Health Department, Officer Goans and Lexie Morley from Osage Beach Police Department, Firefighter Daniel Zumwalt from the Osage Beach Fire Protection District, and Dr. Cody Austin, a dentist, from Crown Dental. It's so great for these kids to be able to learn first-hand about future occupations.



We have 29 preschool and 26 after school children enrolled. We will begin rehearsals for our after school Christmas Play soon. Thank you to all of you who have given or are giving preschool scholarships, it is a huge blessing to those families.

Ignite Youth

We've had a great start to Youth group this year. We are averaging 75 Youth and 12 Leaders each week. In September, our lessons for the 3rd-5th graders have been on Friendship: What is means to be a good friend, accepting, forgiving, and encouraging friends. They had a guest speaker on September 20th, Officer Stacey Mosher, from the Missouri Highway/ Water Patrol came and talked to us about bullying. The Middle School and High School groups lessons were, "Bestseller", a look into how the Bible can make things clearer and guide us throughout our lives. Thank you all for contributing to our, "Money Wall" fundraiser. To date we have raised \$2,300!! We are so grateful for your ongoing support of Ignite Youth!!



Blessings,
Nikki Brauer, Shining Stars and Youth Director

Message from United Methodist Women

UMW meets next on October 12 at 10:30 am in Thompson Hall. All women of the church are invited to attend. Our program will be the Call to Prayer and Self Denial. Lunch providers are Donna Rives, Marcia Murrow, Judy Pease, and Mae Seifert. Thanks to all UMW volunteers who will be coordinating God's Cupboard replenishment during the month of October.

Thank You from Nick Van Buren...

Nick Van Buren sent a Thank You Card for his scholarship money and mug. His card is tacked on the giant bulletin board by the back entrance if you would like to read it.

Deadline for November's Newsletter will be Wednesday, Oct. 25th. Please have everything turned in or emailed to the office by that date. Thank you.

Attention Small Group Leaders...

Please remember to report your attendance for the week prior, on the registration forms passed around during Sunday Services. Thanks and contact the office if you have questions.

2017 October Birthdays

Phil Hammond (2nd)	Karen Kahrs (9th)	Patrick Mills (14th)	Steve Hofstetter (28th)
Pam Dotson (3rd)	Frank Svoboda (10th)	Nancy Culver(16th)	Bill Osborn (29th)
Cayli Campbell (5th)	Jim Jordan (10th)	Tiffany Urwiler (18th)	Mary Lu Johnson (30th)
Lola Van Weelden (7th)	Dave Sanders (11th)	Abby Brauer (19th)	Clark Ogden (30th)
Debbie Urwiler (8th)	Sabra Johnson (12th)	LaVerne Mentel (21st)	
Beau Brayfield (8th)	Jean Price (12th)	Marie Thompson (24th)	
Blake Barbour (9th)	Gloria O'Keefe (13th)	Luther George (25th)	
Linda Sue Shaffer (9th)	Billye Bennett (14th)	Dawn Swarts (25th)	

HARPER CHAPEL STAFF MEMBERS

Pastor: Rev. Jim Day
Administrative Assistant: Andrea K. Nowak
Treasurer: Natalie Pasley
Youth, Children, Shining Stars: Nikki Brauer
Stephen Ministry Leader: Susan Buckingham
Parish Nurse: Hazel Croy
Music Leadership: Jo Beth Nicklas, Michael Fulk, Kathleen Cox
Custodian: Steve Humiston

Vital Signs

Ave. Attendance YTD	170
New Members YTD	17
Income Received YTD.	\$230,210.00
Expenses YTD	\$240,121.65
UMCOR Giving YTD	\$4,535.00
YTD = Year to Date	