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“Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ by nurturing the congregation, ministering to the community and around the world, and by providing a place for inspiring worship, study and authentic Christian fellowship.”

“Be still, and know that I am God!
 I am exalted among the nations,
 I am exalted in the earth.”

The LORD of hosts is with us;
 the God of Jacob is our refuge.
 ~Psalm 46: 10-11

I don't have to tell you that there is a lot of emotion swirling around in our nation right now. It seems like everyone is angry, frustrated, and fed up with everyone else. Faithful, concerned Christians on both ends of the political spectrum are deeply concerned about what will happen on November 8th. A lot of this anger and worry is fueled by the proliferation of blogs, websites, memes, and talking points circulated on social media. If all you do is check your Facebook feed, you would think that everything is terrible; and that if the candidate with whom you disagree is elected the world will end.

In the midst of all the partisanship and all the hoopla and the craziness, King David speaks to us through Psalm 46. If you read the rest of the Psalm (which I encourage you to do) there is a lot of talk about scary events. The earth is shaking, the nations are in an uproar! (sound familiar?) And the conclusion is: be still and know that God is God. There is one and only one Lord, God, ruler of the universe.

There are lots of people invested in keeping you riled up about the election. They will not stop trying to rile you up after November 8th. But, no matter who is elected, one thing will not change. God is still with us, and always our refuge. So, take a moment in the next few days to do something really counter-cultural: be still.

God Bless,
 Pastor Tim

Sunday, October 30 **All Saints Day** will be celebrated for those Saints who have passed away during this year. Give those names to Pastor Tim to honor the loved ones. (The official date is November 1)

In Methodist theology, All Saints Day revolves around "giving God solemn thanks for the lives and deaths of his saints", including those who are "famous or obscure". As such, individuals throughout the Church Universal are honored, such as Paul the Apostle, Augustine of Hippo, and John Wesley, and in addition to individuals who have personally led one to faith in Jesus, such as one's grandmother or friend.



Happy Thanksgiving Day, November 24



First Sunday of Advent
 November 27, 2016

Definition of Advent

The word "advent" comes from the Latin "adventus" meaning "arrival" or "coming," particularly of something having great importance.

Good Samaritan Food Pantry

Our church again fulfilled the request for 100 cans oatmeal and 200 boxes of macaroni and cheese for October. See your November bulletin for the next item for the food pantry.

Thanks to all for giving the money in order to purchase these items. Your support helps feed lots of hungry children and adults. **God Bless You.**



Look at all these toys going to Henderson Settlement, Frankes, KY. this year. Again, THANKS TO EVERYONE! There will be some happy children Christmas morning from your generosity.



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Erik Cox	Nov. 2	Matthew Younts	Nov. 16
Ray Joyner	4	Thomas Price	19
Cameron Isley	7	Hannah Strickland	19
Emily Fields	10	Linda Frazier	23
Michele Cox	14	Rita Hodges	26
Alex Bennett	15	Grayson Newnam	28
Jill Joyner	15	Pam Strickland	30



ANNIVERSARY

Mike and Amy Rumley November 15

WEEKLY MINISTRIES		
Sun	8:30 am	Adult Choir Practice
	9:30 am	Coffee and Fellowship
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship (Communion on 1st Sundays)
	4:-5:00 pm	Liturgical Dance Team Practice
	5:15—6:30 pm	UMYF Meeting
Tues	7:00 pm	Bible Study at Countryside Village
Wed	9:00 am	Coffee and fellowship with Pastor Tim at BJ's
Wed	6:30 pm	“Covent” Bible Study

Worship Helpers for November

Ushers: David Williams and Andy Younts

DATE	NURSERY	CHILDREN'S CHURCH
Nov. 6	Mandy Williams & Ryan Fields	Emily Fields & Faith Williams
Nov. 13	Bobbie Williams & Jerry Pegram	Lisa Hutchens & Ethan Cox
Nov. 20	Margaret Norris & Dakota Williams	Bobbie Williams & Charlie Fields
Nov. 27	Mandy Williams & Ryan Fields	Jill Joyner & Wayne Farrar



Spread the Joy of Christmas and the word of Jesus with shoe boxes for **Operation Christmas Child**. Boxes are available in the church and need to be packed and returned by November 13. Thank you for your participation. Wayne Farrar

2 Corinthians 4:15-16 New International Version (NIV)

¹⁵ All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God.

¹⁶ Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day.

MISSIONS;

We will collect Christmas cards during November for the veterans in hospitals in North Carolina. You can place yours in the mailbox in the foyer and our goal this year is collect 400. Please choose appropriate ones, then write a small message ‘thanking them for their services.’”

United Methodist Women

Hope you enjoyed the Children's Sabbath & United Methodist Women on October 23, 2016 during the Sunday morning service. Didn't Jill Joyner do a tremendous job on getting it together and doing the Sermon? Thank you Jill! We will meet at 10:00 a.m. in the Christian Fellowship Center, Saturday, November 12, 2016. This will be our World Thank Offering meeting. Jill Joyner will be our hostess, devotions, program and response moment.

Margaret Norris / UMW President




B = breakfast, country biscuits, gravy, sausage and eggs.

B = bake goodies, pies, cakes, cookies, candy

B = bargains, jewelry, ladies handbags, scarves, and new vendors.

Come out for the UMW on November 19. 7-11 am

UPCOMING EVENTS		
October 30		All Saints Day celebration during morning worship
November 6		Daylight Savings Time Ends
November 6		After morning services, Charge Conference for Flat Rock
November 6	4:00 pm	Missionary Network Charge Conference @Gideon Grove UMC
November 8		Election Day 
November 12	10:00 am	UMW Meeting
November 13		Good Samaritan Shoe Boxes
November 19	7-11 am	UMW Bazaar, Breakfast, Bake Sales with vendors
November 21	6:00 pm	Set up for Advent (Christmas trees, etc)
November 24		Thanksgiving Day
November 27		Advent begins
November 27		4th Sunday Lunch
November 28	Noon	Newsletter deadline

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