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The Newsletter of First United Methodist Church, Buckhannon

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- 11/02 - Turn your clocks back!
- 11/02 10:45 am - Consecration Sunday
- 11/02 - 5 pm - Fall Festival - GFH
- 11/03 - 6 pm - Finance Team
- 7 pm - Church Council
- 11/09 10:45 am - United Methodist Women Sunday
- 11/10 6 pm - Nurture/Witness Meeting - #21E
- 11/16 Charge Conference
- 11/17 - 6 pm - Outreach Team - Library
- 11/17-24 - Shoebox Collection
- 12/23 8 am - Cookie Walk
- 11/23 6 pm Deck the Halls & Pizza Too
- 12/14 - 10:45 am - Lessons & Carols
- 5 pm - Church Family Dinner Gathering
- 5:30 pm - Let's eat and enjoy
- 12/19 7 pm - Lessons and Carols
- 12/21 - 10:45 am - Christmas Nativity Celebration
- 12/24 8:30 pm - Christmas Eve Service

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED:

November 11 - Veterans' Day
November 26 - 30 - Thanksgiving Holiday
December 22 - January 2 - Christmas & New Year

NOVEMBER MICAH MEAL

The Loose Change Offering and the Micah Meal on November 16th will support our Veteran's Day celebration through "We Care – Beyond the Yellow Ribbon." This project is sponsored by our WV Council of Churches. All proceeds stay here locally and are distributed by Crosslines. The funds help with needs such as insurance, car repair, utilities, etc. for the families of current military as well as veterans. Bring a generous dish on the 15th and share food and fellowship as we honor those who serve.



PARISH HOUSE CHRISTMAS "FILL A BAG" PROJECT





The Parish House needs your help so that everyone can have a wonderful Christmas. Bags for you to fill will be available in Linger Hall. Below is a list of foods needed.

Canned sweet potatoes, green beans, corn, canned fruit, cake mixes & frosting

Money is also needed so that the Parish House can buy each family a turkey or ham. Also, additional food items would be appreciated.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 +
2 Daylight Saving Time Ends + Sunday School 9:30 am Worship-Sanc 10:45 am AA Meeting-#21E 2 pm Fall Fest - GFH 5:00 pm	3 + Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am Weight Watchers - #22 5:00 pm Wolf Cubs-Cub Room 5:30 pm Finance - Lib 6 pm Boy Scouts-Scout Rm 7:00 pm Church Council - #21E 7:00 pm	4 + Early Birds - Library 7:00 am Webelos 1 - Cub Room 5:30 pm Bear Cubs - Cub Room 6:30 pm Chancel Choir 7 pm	5 + Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am Study Group-GFH 7:00 pm	6 + Orchestra - #24 6:30 pm UMW-GFH 7:00 pm Webelos 2 - Cub Room 7:00 pm	7 + 	8 + Grace Alone Retreat-GFH 9:00 am
9 + UMW SUNDAY Sunday School 9:30 am Worship-Sanc 10:45 am	10 + Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am Weight Watchers - #22 5:00 pm Wolf Cubs-Cub Room 5:30 pm Nurture & Witness-#21E 6 pm 4-H Group Meeting - #24E 6:30 pm Boy Scouts:00 pm	11 Veteran's Day + Early Birds - Library 7:00 am Webelos 1 - Cub Room 5:30 pm Bear Cubs - Cub Room 6:30 pm Chancel Choir 7 pm	12 + Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry 10:00 am Tiger Cubs- Cub Room 5:30 pm Study Group-GFH 7:00 pm	13 + Arts Alliance-Lib 6:30pm Webelos 2 - Cub Room 7:00 pm	14 +	15 +
16 + United Methodist Men-GFH 8:00 am Sunday School 9:30 am Worship-Sanc 10:45 am Micah Meal - GFH 12:00 pm CHARGE CONFERENCE 1 pm Youth - #25E 7:00 pm	17 + Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am Weight Watchers - #22 5:00 pm Wolf Cubs-Cub Room 5:30 pm Outreach - #21E 6:00 pm Boy Scouts-Scout Rm 7:00 pm Cub Scouts-GFH 7:00 pm PPR-Lib 7:00 pm	18 + Early Birds - Library 7:00 am Webelos 1 - Cub Room 5:30 pm Bear Cubs - Cub Room 6:30 pm Chancel Choir 7 pm	19 + Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am Circle 1 - Fleming 9:30 am Circle 3-4-Fleming 1:30 pm Study Group-GFH 7:00 pm	20 + Webelos 2 - Cub Room 7:00 pm	21 + 	22 +
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30 First Sunday of Advent + Sunday School 9:30 am Worship-Sanc 10:45 am						



happy birthday

NOVEMBER

2 Patty McComas
Karen Cartwright
3 Emmalee Mohan
4 Chuck Loudin
11 Linda Wellings
Kathleen Ferrell

Gabriella Parke
13 Rick Edwards
14 Sue Darnall
15 Marcy Dean
Maureen Wilson
17 Ava Lantz
20 Barbara Watts

Jeff Godwin
22 Tom Darnall
23 Mary Ellen Biller
26 Mary Lee
Welliver
Ted Stover
28 Randy Clark

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The world's largest Christmas project of its kind, Operation Christmas Child, uses gift-filled shoeboxes to share God's love in a tangible way with needy children around the world.

Since 1993, Samaritan's Purse has collected and delivered more than 113 million gift-filled shoeboxes to children in over 150 countries through Operation Christmas Child.

In 2014, Samaritan's Purse hopes to collect enough shoebox gifts to reach another 10 million children through the Operation Christmas Child project.

Individuals, families, churches, and groups fill empty shoeboxes with gifts of toys, school supplies, hygiene items, and notes of encouragement.



During **National Collection Week, Nov. 17-24**, Samaritan's Purse will collect the gift-filled shoeboxes at more than 4,000 drop-off sites in all 50 states and Puerto Rico.

PACKING IDEAS

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: Pens, pencils and sharpeners, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

TOYS: Small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch A Sketch,® toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky,® etc.

HYGIENE ITEMS: Toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth, etc.

OTHER: T-shirts, socks, ball caps, sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)

A PERSONAL NOTE: You may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. (If you include your name and address, the child may write back.)

DO NOT INCLUDE: Used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; chocolate or food; out- of-date candy; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

Please bring your shoebox to the church by noon, November 24th. Shoeboxes will be available in Linger Hall or the church office.

first united methodist church
Welcomes! you to

FALL FESTIVAL

Sunday Nov. 2nd, 5 - 7 PM
Godwin Fellowship Hall



Come dressed
"Country" or "Old Fashioned"
if you like.

**Pulled Pork
Sandwiches
from JAWS BBQ
Chips & Drinks**

Games like Corn Hole
Cookie Decorating & Popcorn
KIDS Carving a story pumpkin with Steve!

**The FAMOUS
BAKE WALK!**

Bring your own games
and **BRING A FRIEND!**

**Y'all Come!
Ya don't want
to miss this!**

**Bring your decorated
Mr. or Ms. Potato Head
to compete for
1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place.
Gift Card Prizes!**





RADIO BROADCASTS



FUMC services will be broadcast on WBUC radio, 1460 AM, during November, December, and January. It is an excellent opportunity for outreach ministry. Please consider sponsoring a Sunday for \$35 and helping spread God's word to the community. Contact Janet in the church office.

COOKIES AND MORE WALK



Homemade Cookies & Candy

\$6.00 a pound

Saturday,
December 13th

Doors open at 8:30 am

No early bird Sales!

**FIRST UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**
52 S. Florida St.
Godwin Fellowship Hall
304/472/9494



COME JOIN US

NOVEMBER GREETERS

- Nov. 2 – Kathy St. Clair & Kim Cabrera
- Nov. 9 – Tony & Mary Gum
- Nov. 16 – Tina Horstman & Yvonne Foster
- Nov. 23 – Paul & Marjorie Richter
- Nov. 30 – Sebastian Reger & Angie Botzet

OCTOBER USHERS

Tom Botzet (head) Ron McCauley, Youth & College Students



We celebrated Esther's birthday!

MICAH/OUTREACH TEAM VEGETARIAN RECIPE

Potato and Pepper Gratin

Layers of onion, green pepper & potato soften under bubbling Cheddar in this easy gratin dish.

- 2 TBS. olive oil
- 2 medium onions, thinly sliced
- 2 medium green peppers, thinly sliced
- 2 lbs. potatoes, peeled & thinly sliced
- 8 oz. coarsely grated Cheddar cheese
- ¾ pint milk
- ¼ tsp salt & freshly ground black pepper to taste
- ¼ tsp. nutmeg



- Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Heat the oil in a large frying pan & soften the onions & peppers in it, stirring occasionally.
- Arrange one-third of the potato slices in a lightly oiled shallow ovenproof dish, then cover with half the onions & peppers. Repeat the layers, finishing with a layer of potatoes. Sprinkle evenly with the grated Cheddar.
- Mix the milk (use any variety you wish, from 1% to Half & Half!) with the salt, pepper & the nutmeg. Carefully pour the mixture over the layered vegetables. Bake near the top of the oven for 1 to 1 ½ hours or until the potatoes are cooked, most of the milk has been absorbed and the dish is bubbling & golden brown.
- Serve with French bread & a crisp green salad.

Enjoy! CRC



YOU ARE INVITED

You are invited to the annual fall concert of the Buckhannon Chamber Orchestra on Sunday, November 9 at 3 p.m. in Wesley Chapel on the campus of West Virginia Wesleyan College. We will be performing *Sigh* by Edward Elgar, featuring our harp player, Eric Harshbarger, a Wesleyan student. Additional presentations include *Fantasy on Amazing Grace*, *Sabre Dance*, and works by Debussy, Holst, and Vivaldi.

Everyone is welcome to attend and there is free admission. We accept donations to help with our expenses, including the purchase of new music. We appreciate being permitted to use the education building for our rehearsals.



First UMC Chili

Cook Off Winners, 2014!

Third Place: Yvonne Foster

Second Place: Tom Botzet

First Place: The Reigning World Champeen!
Chancel Choir and Val Huffman!

The Best News...\$450 was raised for Blankets of HOPE!...That's 90 Blankets to bring the gift of warmth to persons in need or in the midst of disaster!

A huge "Thank You" to each participant and everyone who joined the time together!

RETREAT FOR ALL WOMEN

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Saturday – November 8, 2014

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Grace Alone

a Prayer Retreat focusing on Grace

So often we scurry through our days wondering if in our busyness, we've missed experiencing the grace of God. Join us on Saturday, November 8, for a morning set apart to focus on our prayer lives and the experience of God's grace. We will worship and pray together, using a variety of prayer methods and prepare ourselves to fully open to the grace of God.

What to bring with you:

- Your Bible
- Your prayer journal, or a small notebook
- Pencil or pen
- An open heart

COME study with Elizabeth Baker.

**First & 3rd
Sundays
every month**

mid-hi & sr. hi

7:00 pm

#youthroom25

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united methodist youth fellowship

**We are joining our church family for Fall
Fest this Sunday, November 2, 5pm in
Godwin Fellowship Hall.**



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

• Fall District Meeting

The First UM Women provided a wonderful coffee hour on Saturday, September 20th at St. Matthews UMC in Weston, WV. Many thanks go to the members who worked or provided food.

• Reminder

Day Apart/Officers Training will be held on Saturday, November 1, 2014 at North View UMC. We will honor our FUMW who have passed away this year: Wilda Clark, Edith Logston, and Dorothy Short.

• UMW Annual Conference

The Annual UMW Conference was held on October 24-25, 2014 at Lake View Resort. Yvonne Foster and Patty McComas attended the meeting representing FUMC.

• Response Magazine

In September's meeting Ellen Nickell presented an article about the UMW promoting a Children's Reading Program. The children begin forming reading in circles. Their mothers became interested and joined the UMW Reading Circles. The UMW Reading Program promotes reading a variety of materials that includes racial justice, meditation, prayer and social problems.

• Basement Sale Report

The fall basement sale was a great success thanks to the many church family members who donated items for the sale. A total of \$1250 was raised to be used for mission projects. We give special thanks to Jane Crutchfield, Yvonne Foster, Ellen Nickell and all the women who set up and worked.

• Fall Covered Dish

The annual covered dish dinner was a great success this year. The FUMW were joined by UMW from Chapel Hill UMC, Tennerton UMC and Reger Chapel. Many thanks go to Circle 3 for being hostess the dinner and to all the women who brought food. Barbara Loudin presented an excellent program, "Calling to Work for Children".

Thank you to the circle Leaders who do an excellent job in leading the UMW in prayer and fellowship.

Lois Circle 1 – Ellen Nickell

Susannah-Miriam Circle 3 – Esther Dyer, Sandra Presar



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN CIRCLE SCHEDULE



Circle One – Wednesday, November 19– 9:30 am – Fleming Lounge – “World Thank” by Peg McCauley

Circle Two – Wednesday – November 19 – 1:30 pm – home of Sarah Carr

Circle Three – Wednesday, November 19 -1:30 pm – Fleming Lounge – World Thank Offering

Circle Five – Thursday, November 13, 7 p.m., Fleming Lounge - Program by Jane Crutchfield about her trip to Ireland.

Helen Fleming Circle 2

Grace Circle 5 – Barbara Loftis

