

How precious to me are your thoughts, God!

How vast is the sum of them!

Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand -

when I awake, I am still with you. - Psalm 139:17-18

The Link

JUNE 2015



The Newsletter of First United Methodist Church, Buckhannon WV

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2015 Vacation Bible School

June 22 – 26

6:00 – 8:15 pm

4 years old through 5th grade



Learn about Jesus' hometown of Nazareth with stories, music, crafts and games. Invite all the children you know – family, friends, neighbors, etc.!

Registration forms are located in Linger Hall and in this Link.

Optional light meal for kids at 5:30 pm.



CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC – SUNDAY, JUNE 28
GATHER AT THE CHURCH AT 4:30 PM EAT AT 5 PM

Jaws BBQ and paper products provided. Bring a covered dish to share.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am UMW Exec - 12 pm Weight Watchers - #22 5:00 pm Boy Scouts-7pm	2 Early Birds - Library 7:00 am Chancel Choir 7pm	3 Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am	4 UMW-GFH 7:00 pm	5	6 CPR certification course -9:00 am
7 Wildlife Center Picnic - 1:00 pm	8 Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am Weight Watchers - #22 5:00 pm Witness-#21E 6 pm Boy Scouts-7 pm Nurture - 7:00 pm	9 Early Birds - Library 7:00 am Chancel Choir 7 pm	10 Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am	11 ANNUAL CONFERENCE	12 ANNUAL CONFERENCE	13 ANNUAL CONFERENCE Salad Luncheon - Parish House
14 Flag Day ANNUAL CONFERENCE Micah Meal 12 pm	15 Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am Weight Watchers - #22 5:00 pm Outreach - 6:00 pm Boy Scouts- 7 pm	16 Early Birds - Library 7:00 am Chancel Choir 7 pm	17 Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am Scrapbooking - GFH - 10:00am	18	19	20
21 Father's Day Work Team Leaves United Methodist Men-GFH 8:00 am	22 VBS - GFH & Ed Building Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am Weight Watchers - #22 5:00 pm Boy Scouts- 7 pm	23 VBS - GFH & Ed Building Early Birds - Library 7:00 am Chancel Choir 7 pm	24 VBS - GFH & Ed Building Exercise Group - 9 am	25 VBS - GFH & Ed Building	26 VBS - GFH & Ed Building	27
28 Church Family Picnic 4:30 pm	29 Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am Weight Watchers - #22 5:00 pm Boy Scouts- 7 pm	30 Early Birds - Library 7:00 am Chancel Choir 7 pm				

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1 Myron Hymes Jr.
4 Sandra McCutcheon
6 Jane Corathers
16 Anthony Gum
17 Araceli Almond
18 Lewis Simmons
Kelley Tierney

23 Barbara Godwin
25 Kent Carpenter
30 Mason Lantz
Clayton Lantz



HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP MEMORIALS

Donations, in memory of Dean Ruhlow, were given to the Higher Education Scholarship Fund, by Ron & Peg McCauley and Margaret Walls.

Donations, in memory of Millie McCoy, were given to the Higher Education Scholarship Fund, by Margaret Walls and Ron & Peg McCauley.

A gift, in memory of her mother, Virginia Gemmill, was given to the Higher Education Scholarship Fund, by Jane Gemmill Casarotti.



FOOD OF THE MONTH



June is “Mac & Cheese/ Boxed Meals” Month, the monthly collection for the Parish House & sponsored by the Micah Outreach Ministry Team. Please leave your gift in Linger Hall on Sunday or at the church office.

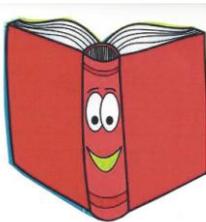
JUNE USHERS

Junior McGee, (head), David Rowan, Scott Bellamy, Sarahjean Lefler, David Petrosky

JUNE GREETERS

June 7 – Clint & Aimee Green
June 14 – John & Lora Mathias
June 21 – Bert Popson, Bob Chamberlain
June 28 – Junior McGee, Sarahjean Lefler

FROM THE LIBRARY



The church library is always open. You are welcome to browse through the books at any time, and borrow one to read at home. Just sign the card in the back of the book and leave it on the desk. Here’s a good book to read:

“Facing Terror” by Carrie McDonnall

Carrie and David McDonnall were international relief workers in the Middle East. Together they provided humanitarian aid until one fateful day when terrorists ambushed their vehicle. Within hours their tragedy was broadcast all over the world. This is a story that will fill you with faith and hope in an uncertain world. But the greater story that the papers never told is of the mysterious Middle East and its warm-hearted people, and the love that Carrie and David had toward them.

PENTECOST SING

Sunday, June 7, 2015
Holly River State Park
Carpenter Pavilion

5:00 p.m.



COVERED DISH PICNIC

followed by

GOSPEL SING

6:30 p.m.

Jerry Run Summer Theater
1 ½ mile north of park on Rte. 20
**ALL PRAISE MUSIC & MUSICIANS
WELCOME**

VEGETARIAN RECIPE RED POTATO SALAD WITH SOUR CREAM AND DILL

This recipe doesn’t qualify as a “vegetarian meal,” however, this is shared with you this month BY REQUEST (as a result of the recent progressive dinner).

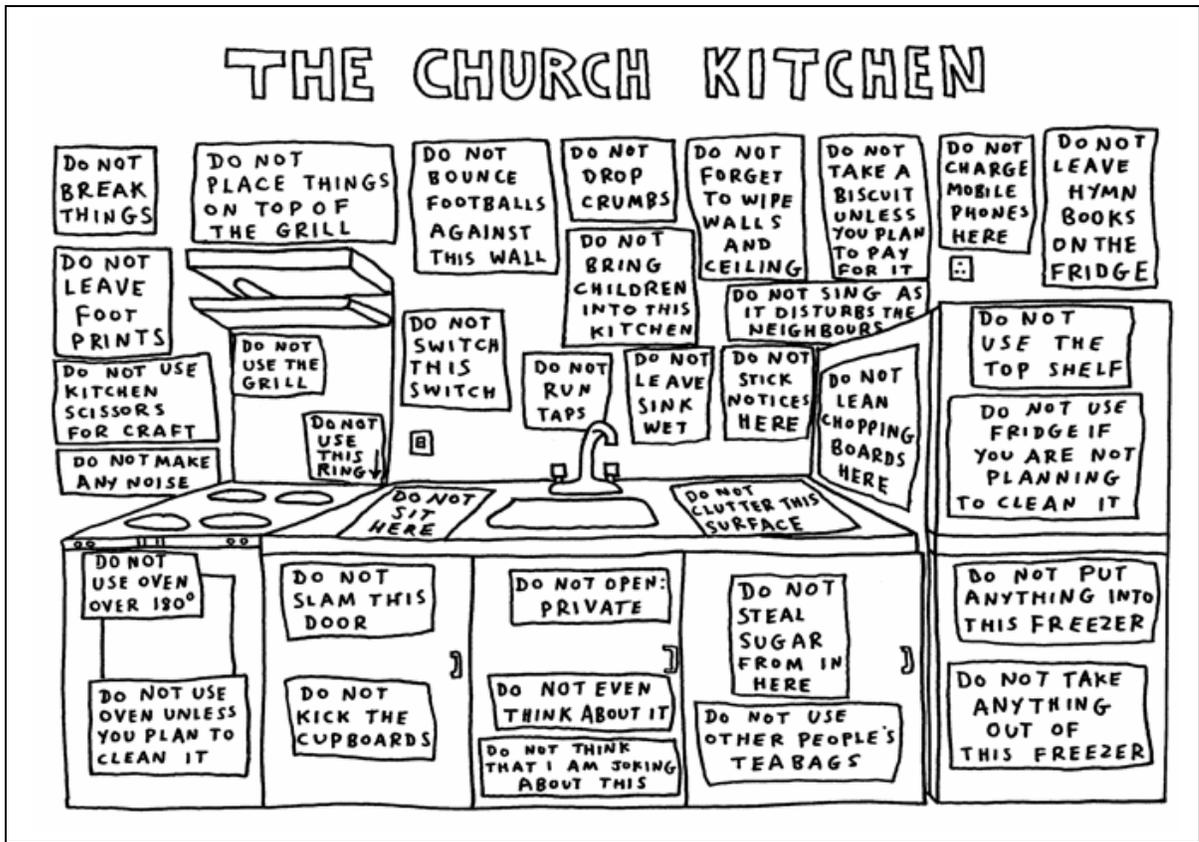
2# small red potatoes, cubed
¾ cup mayo
¼ cup sour cream
chopped onion to taste (I like a lot!)
Salt & freshly ground black pepper to taste
1 TBS dried dill (more or less as you prefer)
1 TBS. tarragon vinegar
optional: 1 tsp. dill pickle juice

Cook potatoes until tender. Drain, rinse & cool. Mix the other ingredients together, then blend with potatoes. You can also add 1 cup diced celery, 2 TBS. diced dill pickle and/or 1 tsp. Dijon mustard You can play around with this one to your hearts content. And, I generally add more dill than recipe requires. ENJOY CRC

MEMORIAL FUND

Helen Reger gave a donation, in memory of Dorothy Short, Dean Ruhlow and Millie McCoy, to the FUMC Memorial Fund.

Tony and Mary Gum gave a donation, in memory of Dean Ruhlow, to the FUMC Memorial Fund.



Trustees Report - April/May 2015

The past two months have been busy – the following projects were completed:

- ↑ Installed new locks on back double doors in Education Building
- ↑ Installed electrical service to the Hospitality Center in Linger Hall
- ↑ Repaired leak in circulatory pump head on boiler in Educ. Bldg.
- ↑ Replaced ceiling tiles in an office which were damaged by the leak
- ↑ Redirected roof water at corner of Educ. Bldg., added shrubs in corner along with river stone
- ↑ Cleaned beds, edged and trimmed on S. Florida and Latham Sts., also applied hardwood mulch (paid in full by a donation)
- ↑ Repaired handicapped parking lot light and the spotlight on Flame & Cross
- ↑ Repaired leak in hot water tank
- ↑ Installed a new fluorescent light unit in stairwell in Educ. Bldg.
- ↑ Installed electrical outlets in the Hospitality Center in Linger Hall

- ↑ Painted lines and handicapped spaces in our parking lots and on Latham Street (thanks to Tom Botzet and Junior McGee)
- ↑ Retrieved the helium balloon from the fan in the sanctuary (thanks to Steve Atkins)
- ↑ Installed a new ceiling in the choir robe closet
- ↑ Repaired electric problem in two closets in Janet's office and hallway in the Educ. Bldg.

Pending:

- ↑ Painting of the choir robe closet walls (thanks to Val and Katherine Huffman)
- ↑ 10% down payment has been sent to Keystone Waterproofing, Inc. which will begin work on the left balcony plaster wall in late summer.
- ↑ Playground fence will be repaired soon – broken cap and bolt on the top pipe

Once again we say **Thank You to the congregation** for your generosity in support of the Improvement Fund, which is used for maintenance of our beautiful church. As you can see, maintenance is an important word in dealing with our church property and certainly ongoing!



SAVE THE DATE

WILDLIFE CENTER PICNIC & EXHIBITS

June 7th immediately following worship
(around 1:00 pm)

**Please tell Kristi if you plan to attend
by June 4th!*



Dr. Dan Martin will offer a CPR class with AED training/certification on June 6 in Godwin Fellowship Hall. The cost per person is \$30 and includes lunch. The course begins at 9 am and will conclude by 2 pm. Space is limited to 15 individuals. To sign up, contact Kristi - krlwilkerson@gmail.com or 304-552-7909.

Pre-register by June 4th.



Reception

We are celebrating Angela Gay Kinkead and her appointment to Pea Ridge UMC in Huntington - Sunday, June 21, immediately following worship in Linger Hall.

JUNE 14TH MICAH MEAL TO BENEFIT SUYO

Southern Upshur Youth Organization in an group founded for the good of the youth of Southern Upshur County. Its primary purpose is to maintain an active youth club for the children of rural Southern Upshur County. However, SUYO is not limited to only the Explorer's Club, but also in providing enriching experiences to the youth regardless of the activity. SUYO wants to help foster the unique and wonderful spirit in each child, while showing them the benefits of education, and a drug free life.

And We Say Kudos!

- Dr. Bert Popson received the Outstanding Faculty Award from the WVWC Class of 2015 at Commencement
 - Sebastian Reger was named section leader of trumpets for the WVU Marching Band 2015-16
 - Graham Scott is completing an internship this summer with the Canadian Parliament
- (Know of church family members deserving recognition? Email Janet in the church office at fumc26201@gmail.com.)*

SPECIAL NOTE

I am touched and humbled by the many prayers, good wishes, and cards which I received from First Church's members. I am on a slow road to recovery and am very grateful for your concern. Bunny Mow

Take me out to the Ballgame!

We are making plans to attend minor league baseball later this summer.
STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFO!



BOB EVANS FARM FESTIVAL

JOIN US!

**We're planning a bus trip to the Bob Evans
Farm Festival in southeast Ohio on
Saturday, Oct. 10.**

Each seat on the bus costs \$40.

Entrance into the festival is \$5 per person.

ARTS AND CRAFTS.....EXHIBITORS

TRACTOR SQUARE DANCING..... APPLE CIDER

LIVE MUSIC

AX THROWING AND LOG ROLLING

LOTS OF DELICIOUS FOOD!

KIDS FARMYARD FUN WITH PONY RIDES

*Please let Kristi know if you are
interested in this event.*

Bring your own lawn chair, if you would like!



Group's
**Hometown
Nazareth**
Where Jesus was a Kid™

Registration Form

Gender: _____

Name(s) and age(s): _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home telephone: (_____) _____ Cell phone: _____

Home email address: _____



In case of emergency, contact: _____
Name and phone number

Allergies or other medical conditions: _____

Home church: _____

Tribe name (for church use only): _____

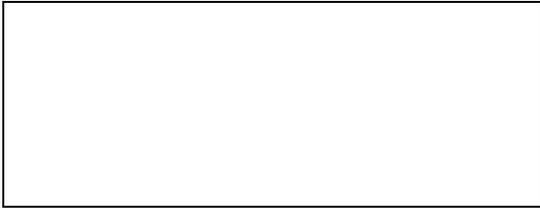
Name of a special friend your child might like to be with: _____

How did you learn of Hometown Nazareth at First UMC Buckhannon? _____

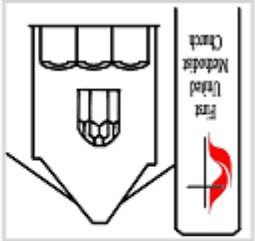


Wesley Trivia! Did You Know?

During his ministry John Wesley rode over 250,000 miles on horseback, and he preached over 40,000 sermons. For all the power of his eyes and voice, he measured five-feet-three inches tall and weighed 128 pounds. His brother Charles wrote over 6500 hymns. At John Wesley's death in 1791 his followers numbered 79,000 in England and 40,000 in America, But by 1957 there were 40 million Methodists world-wide.



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