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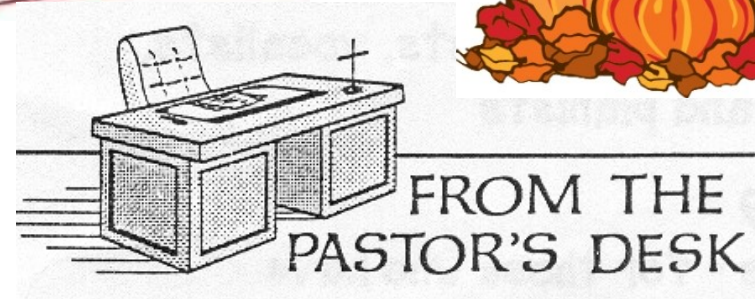
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Unity. It's such a controversial term these days. Even the NFL is making headlines because of it – although some would claim the headlines are because of their lack of unity with our country. People in Appalachia are known for their deep patriotism. Many espouse the belief that God and Country are both of highest priority. Without questioning the NFL's patriotism, it is striking to see such a significant group of people in agreement about *anything* these days! Divisions and disagreements run deep. It's like talking politics during the last presidential election: everyone has an opinion and "mine" is right!

I love what Paul teaches in his letter to the Ephesians about unity:

Therefore I, a prisoner for serving the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of your calling, for you have been called by God. Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love. Make every effort to keep yourselves united in the Spirit, binding yourselves together with peace. For there is one body and one Spirit, just as you have been called to one glorious hope for the future. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all, in all, and living through all. (Ephesians 4:1-6)

Division, disagreement, and the unrest we see around the country and even the globe, can make us anxious or fearful. We need to step back and take on Paul's perspective. God is so much 'bigger' and more present amid fractions than we can ever comprehend. We can live our lives in the assurance that God is able and will bear us along through - or perhaps despite - our divisions. This is true for all the divisions within our lives, not just those on the national news.

### ***From the Pastor's Desk continued***

It is also true for fractions within our families or in our places of work or within social groups. It is especially true for us within the church. It is not that which divides us that makes us who we are, it is our unity in the Spirit.

The key to managing our way through the maze of divisions which can appear in our lives is remaining rooted in our relationship with God and with God's people. When we connect with God, we get a glimpse of that bigger picture and the assurance that there is someone out there who is greater than our problems and divisions. It reassures us that we are loved and don't have to be afraid, nor do we need to feel personally assaulted when others say we are 'wrong'. We are rooted in God and that is enough. Moreover, when we worship together, we experience the unity of the Spirit and that unifying presence should draw us closer to one another as believers, journeying this life together, running the same race with the same ultimate goal. We should feel more like a team, supporting each other and setting the less important differences aside.

It's a great blessing to be united in worship together! I hope to see you Sunday!

Blessings,  
Pastor Joy

### ***Wednesday Night Study Group***

Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, we began studying the book *The Jesus You Can't Ignore: What you must learn from the bold confrontations of Christ*, by John MacArthur.

This study group will meet Wednesday evening's at 7PM and will wrap up Wednesday, November 1st. Anyone who is curious or interested should come! Please see Pastor Joy if you have questions.

### ***A Celebration of Women***

All ladies of the church are invited to our "Celebration of Women" luncheon, hosted by the UMW on Saturday, October 14, 2017. Our theme is "Fall in Love with God". We will enjoy a program highlighting autumn blessings and the signs of God in the fall.

Please join us for good food and Christian fellowship. The cost is \$5.00. See Roberta Covert to make your reservation.



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*Jesus Christ, through whom all things came and  
through whom we live 1 Corinthians 8:6*

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### ***Halloweenies***

Halloweenies will be held Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2017

We hope many of you will be available to help or contribute hot dogs and buns.

We will begin preparations at 3:30 p.m. Another shift of workers will begin at 5:15 p.m.

If these times don't work for you, add to the list the time you will help.

Also please signup for the hot dogs and buns you will donate.

Thank you!

## Birthdays

October 5—Aaron Harper  
 October 9—Ellanore Grace Heiney  
 October 13—Pam Bice  
 October 18—Beverly Wolford  
 October 19—Erica Inman  
 October 26—Chase Norton  
 October 31—Francis Johnson  
 October 31—Nonina Brackman




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*Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed John 20:29*

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## Anniversaries

October 2—Aaron & Lari Harper  
 October 6—Phil & Ellen Kelton  
 October 14—Clint & Heather Heiney  
 October 15—Jim & Barb Tignor  
 October 17—Don & Beverly Wolford



## Servant Schedule



**October 1**  
 Rob & Monica Mack,  
 Don & Vicky Wolfe  
 Liturgist: Marsha Kelly  
**Communion Stewards:**  
 Don & Vicky Wolfe,  
 Randy & Jeri Schreiber



**October 8**  
 Mark & Thea Crawmer,  
 Susie Dunlap, Vickie Finlay  
 Liturgist: Barb Wolfe

**October 15**  
 Don & Roberta Covert,  
 Randy & Jeri Schreiber  
 Liturgist: Nick Howard

**October 22**  
 Chris & Heather DeGarmo,  
 Jim & Barb Tignor  
 Liturgist: Lari Harper

**October 29**  
 Nick & Cindy Howard,  
 Floyd & Pat Tolle  
 Liturgist: Marsha Kelly

## UMW 2017 Reading Program

November 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. — **Behind the Kitchen Door**, written by Saru Jayaraman.  
 Mission Emphasis: Social Action.



## Hurricane Relief

If you would like to donate to the relief fund for the hurricanes, please visit: <http://www.umcor.org/> and follow the links on their home page. UMCOR is trusted and 100% of contributions go directly to relief.

Mail donations to: 458 Ponce De Leon Ave. NE  
 Atlanta, GA 30308

Phone donations: 1-888-252-6174

## ***United Methodist Women***

The item to donate to the First UMC shelter this month is Bottled Water.

### ***Eventide Circle***

The ladies of Eventide Circle will meet at 1:00PM on Thursday, October 5, at the home of Charlotte Cole (1235 Stonington Place)

Program: (Thank Offering) Pat Tolle

Devotions: Henrietta Hurst

Response Moment: Marsha Kelly

We will be working to complete the 2018 calendar.

### ***New Hope Circle***

The New Hope Circle will meet on Sunday, October 22 at 6:30PM. Bev LeMaster will host.



The New Hope Circle would like to thank everyone who contributed to our 2017 Christmas in July, "Sock Away \$\$ for Christmas" fundraiser. Through your generosity, we collected \$463.76 for the Salvation Army's annual Christmas baskets for families in need this holiday season. The UMW will contribute \$200.00 to our total. We are proud to be sending the Salvation Army \$663.76 from Faith United Methodist Church!

Thank you once again for being "cheerful givers" and supporting our local mission project.

## ***Breakthrough Prayer***

**Abundant God, we are bursting with anticipation to see the new that you have in store for Faith Church and our community.**

***Thunder forth your will for fresh possibilities!***

**You say in your word,**

**"See I am about to do something new.**

**It begins now! Don't you see it?" (Is. 43:19)**

**Lord, help us to see clearly the next steps on your path. Amen.**



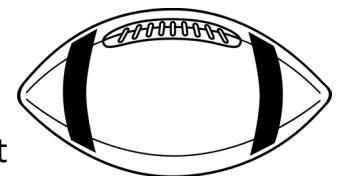
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*Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness 1 Timothy 6:11*

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## ***Help with Football Parking***

We need volunteers to help with football game parking this season. October dates are 10/13 & 10/20. We will need help from 6-7PM. If you are able to help, please contact Floyd or Pat Tolle. Thanks!





## Prayer Requests

Please pray for:

Doug Adams

Kay Baker

Jim Boetcher

Sherry Brooks

John & Kim Cain

Melissa Cook

Karen Curtin

Shannon Davis

Bobby Dudley

Jacob Elson

Marlene Farley

Matthew Farus

Dalton Fitz

Chad Foster

Daniel Ghrist

Gayle Ghrist

Jim Grosscup

John Herman

Steve & David Inman

Jeannita Johnson

Robbie Mack & Family

Peggy McGee

Don Miller

Jimmy Moore

Joesy Moore

Bill & Judy Muck

James Osborne

Joey & Sam Osborne & Family

Debbie Paul

Jim Porter

Jeri Quinn

Bonnie Reichenbach

Lori Rivercomb

Todd Sands

Carole Sayre

Ronald Shaffer

Heather Shepherd

Shellie Siefert

Joyce Stimpert

Pam Thomas

Erin Watts

Don West

Tara Wilson

Vicky & Don Wolfe

Logan Wolford

Melissa Wood

Our whole County, Leaders, and the school year, the flood victims, Faith UMC, the homeless, abused, sick, imprisoned, those who have not yet accepted Christ and those who only minimally follow the teachings of Christ.

Medical Faith  
shut-ins:

Kathleen

McCutcheon

and Frances

Johnson.



## Celebration of the West Ohio Conference United Methodist Women

**Be Bold right Now!**

**Saturday, October 28, 2017**

**Registration deadline October 1st!**

Faith Community United Methodist church

100 Country Club Drive, Xenia OH 45385

Facility is Handicap Accessible

10am—3pm (Check-in begins at 9am)

- Keynote Speaker: Sally Vonner, Assistant General Secretary for Membership and Leadership Development, National Office of United Methodist Women.
- Panel of Speakers from the 4 West Ohio Conference National Mission Institutes.

Material Donations Requested

**Community Development for all People, Columbus:**

socks and underwear infant to age 12; toys for preteens, ages 11-12.

**Friendly Center, Toledo:** toilet paper.

**Wesley Community Center, Dayton:** new or gently used children's books, especially Dr. Seuss.

**Wesley Education Center for Children and Families, Cincinnati:** liquid hand soap, copy paper.

Help us to be green by bringing your own reusable drink containers, carpooling with others, and keeping track of your mileage.

*The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you Numbers 6:25*

## Upcoming Events

Sunday, October 1	
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
SPRT Meeting	3:30 PM
Wednesday, October 4	
Trustees	2:00 PM
Book Study	7:00 PM
Thursday, October 5	
Clergy Meeting	9:00 AM
Eventide Circle	1:00 PM
Sunday, October 8	
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
Wednesday, October 11	
Lifeline Screening	7:00 AM
Book Study	7:00 PM
Saturday, October 14	
Celebration of Women	12:00 PM
Sunday, October 15	
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
Tuesday, October 17	
Leadership	6:30 PM
Wednesday, October 18	
Book Study	7:00 PM
Friday, October 20	
Newsletter Deadline	12:00 PM
Sunday, October 22	
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
New Hope Circle	6:30 PM
Monday, October 23	
Charge Conference	6:30 PM
Wednesday, October 25	
Book Study	7:00 PM
Sunday, October 29	
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
<b>6</b> Tuesday, October 31	
Halloweenies	3:30 PM

## UMW Planning Ahead

19th Quadrennial Assembly of United Methodist Women

May 18, 2018.

**Online Registration opens September 1, 2017**



Assembly 2018 will be a forum for United Methodist Women members, new friends and partners to gather, worship and learn about the needs of women, children and youth in the 21st century. We will be claiming out 150-year history as women who know how to organize and serve and are willing to be challenged to grow in our faith as we build deeper connections with one another, church leaders and partners in the work of justice for all God's children.

Assembly will offer an incredible personal faith journey through community building, training for action, and visioning a movement for the future. Bold and courageous ventures await us!

Stay connected using the Assembly website, [www.UMWassembly.org](http://www.UMWassembly.org), for regular updates on the event.

## Newsletter Deadline

November Newsletter Deadline:  
October 20 at noon.

E-mail submissions to: [fumcza@gmail.com](mailto:fumcza@gmail.com),  
and be sure to put "for November newsletter" or  
the equivalent in your subject field.

