

The Wesley Message From Center Street

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Email Prayer Line

Sharon Schoonover has started a prayer line using our email system. For those who are gone most of the day the telephone prayer line has lots of no answers so we have ADDED the email. If you would like to have your email address included on her list, give her yours. Her address is: sschoonover@yahoo.com and she will keep you informed.

Calendar of Events 4th Quarter

OCTOBER

- 3 World Communion Sunday
- 6 UMC Board Meeting @ 7p.m.
- 7 UMW Meeting @ 2 p.m.
- 16 Men's Breakfast
- 31 Halloween

NOVEMBER

- 2 Election Day
- 3 UMC Board Meeting 7 p.m.
- 4 UMW Meeting @ 2 p.m.
- 6 Lord's Hour Sale @ 5 p.m.
- 7 Daylight Savings Ends
- 11 Veteran's Day
- 11 Charge Conference @ 7 p.m.
- 20 Men's Breakfast
- 25 Thanksgiving Day
- 28 1st Sunday of Advent

December

- 1 UMC Board Meeting 7 p.m.
- 2 UMW Christmas Meeting
- 18 Men's Breakfast
- 21 Winter Begins
- 24 Candlelight Service 5 p.m.
- 25 Christmas Day
- 31 New Year's Eve

UMW Fall Conference Meets

The UMW met on Saturday, September 18, 2010 at Camp JoOta in the new Barrow Hall for their Fall Conference Meeting. Fifty-one members of the Mark Twain District traveled on a beautiful fall

day for a luncheon and day long meeting.

Those attending from our local unit were Mildred Hirrlinger, Florence Schoonover, Isabel Hutcherson, Viola Morton, DeEtte Carroll, and Lynda Proper.

Included on the agenda were reports from the various district officers, election of new officers, and a guest speaker.

The theme was a baby shower with attendees bringing baby items to be used by "VENUES", a Hannibal based abuse center. Director Judy _____ spoke about the many services they provide, their funding, and the security system used at the facility to protect women, children and men from their abusers.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

October

- 9. Allison Barry
- 10. Mike Mueller
Tiffany Cunningham
- 11. Shana Threlkeld
- 14. Raymond McDuffee
- 16. Rachelle Wood
- 15. Gwynna White
- 17. Merrett Reid
- 21. Susan McCarty
- 22. Colleen Reid
Ruth Ann Walker
Kenny Rutter
- 24. Florence Schoonover
Rena Foreman
- 25. Earl & Mae Walker, Anniv.
Bob McCollum
Randy & Peggy White, Anniv.
- 26. Sandra Boling
Dustin Boling
- 28. Aaron Quinley
Kent Weisenborn
- 29. Erin Mitchell Gill

November

- 2. Haden Carroll
- 4. Carrie Ellyson Elsen
Carolyn Boling
- 5. Robert Hopper
- 6. Bill & Glenna Daniel, Anniv

- 7. J. D. Barry
- 9. Maggie Jo Rutter
- 11. Scott Thompson
Nathan Blackford
- 14. Brett Ryan Threlkeld
- 16. Anna Walker Blackford
- 17. Lucy Rutter
Keely McCarty
- 18. Carol Hiatt
- 20. Frank & Martha Mason,
Anniv
Kenny & Jeanna Rutter,
Anniv
Ferne Watson
Isabella Hutcherson
- 23. Ryan Walker
- 25. Larry & Becky DeSpain,
Anniv.
- 28. Bailey Schoonover
- 29. Tyler Schuster

December

- 6. Avery Isabel Bailey
- 7. Jon McCarty
- 8. Cindy Sickal
- 9. Charles Foreman
- 15. Alexis Marie Quinley
- 19. Darin Boling
- 20. Beverly Burns
Jared Bentley
- 22. Becky DeSpain
Glena Beth Walker
- 26. Jennifer Baird
Ida Hull
- 27. Brian Threlkeld
Rick Kemp
- 29. Jeff Barry
- 31. Chad Carroll

Building Repair Expense

Treasurer, Amy Presson reports that \$5993 has been spent thus far on the first half of the tuck pointing which was completed in June.

Lord's Hour Sale

The annual Lord's Hour Dinner & Auction will be chaired this year by Elaine & Mike Mueller, Reese & Barb Blaine, Lee & Sharon Schoonover, Lisa & Nate Schoonover, and David & Dawn Masten.

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REV'S RAMBLINGS

At I sit here writing this column, there are some exciting things going on at the CLARENCE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH!!! We have expanded our efforts to reach out to the members of this community that desperately need to hear the story of Christ. We started a contemporary worship service on Saturday nights that has met with some success. My goal for this service was to offer an alternative time and style of worship. After five weeks there has not been a week where we have not had a new face in the crowd. I want this to be an every week occurrence, and with the help of God and this congregation I know that this will happen. I would just like to take a minute to thank the church board for giving me the go ahead for this service. They have truly heard the call of Christ and are ready to try whatever it takes to keep our church strong, vibrant and growing.

We will be starting a new small group on Sunday evenings in October that will run until advent. It is called Beginnings, and we have five people signed up to participate. This is the first of a

three session series that will help us begin, nurture, or strengthen our walk with Christ. Again, my goal is to make small group a vital part of our church lives. The small group gives us an additional time of fellowship and study in an informal setting, so that the people involved become even closer to Jesus. And just as important, they become even closer to each other. programs. All I can say is WOW!!! What a start to this school year. The High School youth, under the guidance of Amy Presson, have already had some great meetings. They are busy planning ways to reach out to the other youth in the community. We had twenty young people at our most recent meeting and I think that we will continue to grow as other young people around see the enthusiasm from our kids. Other than the fact that they tried to ride me in the ground on the bike ride I have had a blast just being around these great kids. The after school program is off and running also. Under the capable guidance of Elizabeth Barr, and Lisa Schoonover we have over thirty

Clarence Elementary School students joining us on Wednesday afternoons for song, food, fun and lessons about Jesus and his teachings. What a blessing it is for me to walk over from school with these children and be with them as they grow in the word. Finally, I would like to challenge each and every one of you to plug yourselves into one of the programs we have here at the church. We need volunteers to provide snacks for the after school program. We need volunteers to provide meals for the Sunday night youth group. We need volunteers to help with the lessons for the high school youth. And most of all, we need each and every one in this church to reach out to someone who needs to know the Lord. We all need to start living with this motto: WE MIGHT NOT ATTEND THE BIGGEST CHURCH, BUT WE ATTEND THE BEST!!! See you, and a friend in church.

Pastor Larry