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## **New Church Directory!!**

New Church Directories are coming. Photo sessions will be held June 19, 20 and 21 from 2:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Sign-up sheets will be available beginning next Sunday, May 20. Look for our sign-up table before and after Sunday School and following Worship Service. If you prefer to get a jump on scheduling, feel free to sign up through the link you received on the email you may have received this week or through the church Facebook page.

All participants will receive a free directory and a free 8x10 professional photograph. Additional photos may be ordered at the time of your sitting.

## **Local Church Scholarships Available**

First United Methodist has several college scholarships available to our students. These scholarships are available through donations from the Meister Family, Carter Family, the Migliore Family, the Ross Family, and scholarships given by the church. If you are interested in filling out a scholarship application, you may pick one up in the office. The application deadline is June 1st.

## **No More Choir Practice**

Choir practice is over for this season! We will sing the remaining Sundays in May and will practice on Sunday mornings. Please don't forget to sign-up for Summer Music. We have lots of spots available!

## **Homebound Update**

Please remember to report your homebound visits to me in order to give me the opportunity to get an accurate count of our visits. Thanks again for all the love and care you are showing by visiting these wonderful people.

Love in Christ,  
Mary Thorn

## **Choir is Taking a Break!**

Summer is coming and that means the choir takes a vacation for the summer. The call is out for voice and instrument people to fill the void for Sunday services in June, July and August. Youth, adult or seniors will be needed and greatly appreciated for volunteering to give a musical message to our congregation. We would love to have solos, duets, trios or groups, instruments such as violin, guitar, piano, etc. There will be a sign-up sheet on the door to the east of the office door. Please sign your name and phone number and whether it is voice, piano or instrument, solo or group. We have two pianists from which to choose that could accompany you. If you wish to use taped music to accompany you, please make arrangements with Kelly in the office. The two pianist's names and phone numbers are listed on the sign-up sheet. If you have questions you may contact me at 358-7877. Thank you for considering this important part of the worship service.

Virginia Terry

## **UMC General Meeting**

"Scams in a Changing World" was the subject of the United Methodist Women's General Meeting on May 8<sup>th</sup>. We found out there was a lot we didn't know about various scams but Officer Chad Diniger took time to spell things out. The meeting ended with fellowship, laughter and of course refreshments!

## **Feeding Inc.**

Did you know that every Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. classes are held for the community at Feeding Inc.? Some of the topics are: The Power of Hope; Small Ways to Improve Your Life; You Have a Father Who Loves You. Feeding Inc. feeds the body and the soul. Please continue to donate non-perishable food items for Feeding Inc.





*Dear Church Family,  
Thank you so much for remembering me at  
Easter and sending all of the wonderful cards!  
They were very much appreciated! I miss you  
all when I am unable to attend!*

*Fran Faulkner*



*Received my packet of Easter Cards today so  
everything seems better. I looked at each one  
and now will go over them all again. Such  
beautiful cards and words. Some young  
person did a beautiful picture for me and even  
did my name in gold. Loved it!*

*I never forget you and so it's good to know I'm  
not forgotten.*

*Love to all,*

*Doris*



*Thanks so much! A simple act of kindness has  
a beauty all its own. Thank you for your  
kindness.*

*Virginia Glossip*



*Dear Friends,  
Thank you all so much for remembering me  
with the Christmas and Easter Cards. I do  
miss singing in the choir and participating in  
the other church activities; but I guess that is  
what happens when you are 93! Thank you!*

*Norma Havelly*



*When I open Easter and Christmas cards from  
folks from my church, I see faces of persons  
with whom I've studied, worked, sung and  
celebrated life. Thank you so very much!*

*I'm also thankful for the newsletter so I can  
share anxieties about serious illnesses, sorrow  
for those whose loved ones have passed on –  
and the joy of new members, births and once  
youngsters who are now college people.*

*God Bless!*

*Beryl Kingsbury*



*The Methodist Church,*

*Sorry, slow in sending a "Thank you" note for  
the beautiful "Easter Cards. I appreciate all  
the thoughts and being remembered. Trying  
to get the house back in order. Thankful for  
the "great help" from my nieces.*

*I pray for each of you!*

*Martha Tillock*



*Dear FUMC Family,*

*Thank you for the finals week care package.  
The snacks were great to have when I was  
studying. I greatly appreciate all of your  
support.*

*Thanks again,*

*Hannah Rockers*



*Many Thanks!*

**Many Thanks!**





Dear Methodist Church,

Thank you so much for allowing us to use your beautiful sanctuary and grand piano for the Robert Harris Piano Festival. We appreciate your generosity. Memories were made here today that will last for a lifetime.

Sincerely,

Anne Andrews



Dear UMC Friends,

The enclosed is a memorial donation for my mother, Dorothy Knell Coombs, who passed in 2016. Our Family is celebrating her life on what would be her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on May 12. She was a feisty lady who loved her community and was a long-time – virtually lifetime – member of this church.

Helen Coombs Smith



Church Family,

Thank you so much for the finals week gift package. It will be very comforting for my first finals week of graduate school. It means a lot to have so much support.

Love,

Alyssa Rockers



Dear First United Methodist Family,

Thank you so much for the thoughtful care package. All of the goodies will be so much appreciated as finals week approaches. Thank you for thinking of me, and thank you for your continuous support.

Most Sincerely,

Katie Griffiths



To the First UMC Family,

Thank you for the package of snacks I received recently. I appreciate you thinking of me as I not only finish this semester, but my college career as well. Thank you for all the support you've given me during my college career. I look forward to being back at home soon. Once again, thank you.

Sincerely,

Brett Collier



Dear First United Methodist Church,

Thank you so much for my care package of snacks. That came in handy while I was studying for finals. It meant so much to me to know you were thinking of me.

Love,

Emma Pound



Dear Rev. James,

Thank you for your time in putting on a beautiful service for my father with such short notice. The Methodist Church has been a huge element in raising me to be who I am today. It is nice to know that the church is there no matter how many miles away I may be. Please accept this small donation to show my appreciation and support of yourself and the church as a whole. As well, enjoy some chocolates from Dubai – share with Kelly ☺

Many Thanks,

Anita Archer



*At the last Board of Trustees Meeting, a new policy for use of Harris Hall on Saturdays was approved. The new policy is effective June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. The policy follows:*

## **Use of Harris Hall and Kitchen on Saturdays**

### **COST: \$50**

A cleaning deposit of \$50 must be received at least one week in advance for any event in Fellowship Hall on a Saturday. This includes all church related events!

### **RESTRICTIONS:**

Events cannot take place if there is a church event already scheduled for that day. In addition, in case Harris Hall is needed for some aspect of a funeral/memorial service this will take precedence over all other activities.

### **KITCHEN USE:**

We have a very nice kitchen, complete with stove/ovens, one microwave, coffee pots and some refrigerator/freezer space. Our kitchen is not licensed for food prep but for warming only.

1. Allow ample time to reserve your spot in Harris Hall by contacting Kelly Harris well in advance at the Parish Office. We need to know EVERY TIME Harris Hall is used whether it is a meeting, private event or church-wide event. Kelly has the Master Calendar.
2. Please take the responsibility to secure the key(s) needed to use Harris Hall. Allow yourself time to come to the Parish Office during regular business hours to secure a key.
3. Lock the door to Harris Hall if you are alone or working in a small group. Only leave it unlocked when you are expecting a stream of people or when your event is open to the public. If at a meeting, you may wish to lock the door once everyone has arrived. You will be more secure this way.
4. Do not use tape or pins on the walls or woodwork of Harris Hall.
5. Empty any trash receptacles, making sure you tie up garbage bags, etc., when your event is complete. Replace with clean trash bags. Take trash to dumpster located on the west side of the parking lot.
6. Leave the Hall in good and clean condition when you leave. Return tables and chairs to their original places. When necessary sweep the floors and make sure all kitchen counters are wiped down.
7. Turn the audio equipment off. Turn off meeting room, bathroom, closet, hallway and kitchen lights. Do not leave plugged in any small appliances such as coffee-makers or toasters.
8. Safety is in numbers, so please try to leave with someone else – Never by yourself.
9. Report any issues i.e. trash, restrooms, lights out, kitchen issues, cleanliness to the church office in writing.
10. Feedback is always welcome. We also look forward to making the conditions as pleasant as we can when you use Harris Hall.

## Prayer Concerns

Patty Adams	Doris Ann Lombard
Bliss Allmoslecher	Mary Ellen Lyon
Rayna Ayres	Carlyle McCaskill
Freda Bailey	Tim McCrea
Mary Barksdale	Janice McGuill
Joel & Betty Bell	Hershel Meister
Nan Borg	Glen Minsheu
Lon Burr	Jennifer Elliff Nichols
Kim Burras	Rev. Chris & Gail Oetting
George Butler IV	Anthony Phipps
Eunice Carter	David Prier
Debbie Cochran	Edna Prier
Jim & Jeannie Crocker	Logan Sanders
Ben Dulin	Joanne Sanders
Sara Fortin	Carol Stark
Phyllis Gatliff	Kurt Swartz
Elizabeth Harrison	Jim Swearingen
Angela Hill	Roger Sweet
Barbara Howell	Cheryl Stump
Judy Johnson	Emily Snyder
Beryl Kingsbury	Martha Tillock
Grayson Knight	Grant Trent
Landry Knight	Maggie Williams
Milton Lawrence	Tom Wiseman
Chuck Lathum	Carthage Crisis Center

### Cancer Treatments

Gina Bass, Cecil Brill, Jean Dodson, John Essman, Sally Karns, Phillip Kyte, Bob McCombs, Debbie McPherson, Tom Moore, Tom Nenadal, Mike Reed, Floyd Southern, Carolyn Steinbrook, Chuck Taylor, Josh Valenti, Linda Valenti, Will Wallace, Mike Whorlow

### Prayers For Those In The Military

Benjamin Arnold, Caleb Hager, Kamil Hager, Josh Hall, Michael Howard, Scott A. Johnson, Raymond Kirklin, Michael Murrell, Katie Sewester, Allen Vaughan, Ethan Williams

### Our Sympathy To:

Family and Friends of Becky Faulk (Sister of Lynn Chambers)

Family and Friends of Jan Rife



## The Life Of The Church

### **Sunday, May 20, 2018**

*Pentecost*

8:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship  
9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service

### **Wednesday, May 23, 2018**

6:30 p.m. Bible Study (Wesleyan Class)  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

### **Thursday, May 24, 2018**

9:30 a.m. Tacky Quilters

### **Sunday, May 27, 2018**

*Trinity Sunday*

8:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship  
9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service

### **Wednesday, May 30, 2018**

6:30 p.m. Bible Study (Wesleyan Class)  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

### **Thursday, May 31, 2018**

9:30 a.m. Tacky Quilters

### **Sunday, June 3, 2018**

*Second Sunday After Pentecost*

8:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship  
9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service

### **Tacky Quilters**

You are invited to join the quilting group, which meets every Thursday, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Right now, we are working on tacking small quilts for children, for the Festival of Sharing Backpacks of Love project. Also, you could make 36"X45" quilt tops at home and bring them in to be tacked. That would be very much appreciated. The group is always working on hand quilting projects for individuals in the church or community. Meet us in the big room on the north end of the second floor. Last week, someone brought a CD player and played Rock n' Roll music! It's fun! Questions: Call Marjorie Bull 417-358-6301.

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| 1 John Wenger      | 13 Kathy Nenadal  |
| 2 Len Coates       | 16 Kathy Fritts   |
| 3 Ann Johannes     | 16 Mary Riley     |
| 4 Reggie Graue     | 18 Alyssa Rockers |
| 7 Richard Doubet   | 22 Mikell Hager   |
| 9 Maynard Mitchell | 23 Stephanie Lee  |
| 10 Henri Phipps    | 23 Jacki Moffatt  |

May 20 – Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Blodgett

May 25 – Mr. & Mrs. Bill Barksdale