

Bookwalter United Methodist Church

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Ministry to God through prayer and worship.

Ministry to one another through caring discipleship.

Ministry to others by meeting needs and winning them to Christ.

Sometimes I feel like the star of my own slapstick comedy show. We have been keeping a 7 foot tall rusty old metal cabinet for someone around the back of our house. It has been sitting on the sidewalk for months. After a week of steady rain, I was sick of having to step around it into the sippy, muddy grass. So one morning as I was leaving, I decided it was time to move it out of my way.

Freshly showered and dressed for work, I retrieved the dolly from the garage and set to transfer this obstacle a mere 6 feet so I do not start each day with muddy shoes. In one swift motion, I placed the dolly under the cabinet and leaned it back onto the wheels. As I did so, I dumped the equivalent of a couple of buckets of dirty, rusty water directly onto my head, down my jacket and sweater and yes... onto my shoes. When I got over the initial shock, I had to go back inside and change all my clothes and pick flecks of rust out of my hair and off my face.

It would have been natural for me to think, "Why me, Lord?" or lament my bad luck or the think the universe was out to get me. This would not have changed the fact that I had no one to blame but myself. Acknowledging this makes it possible for me to change my behavior. I guarantee you the next time I move that cabinet, I will take precautions to prevent a repeat nasty baptism. How many other areas in our lives do we inflict suffering on ourselves repeatedly because we just keep making the same mistakes over and over? Is this because we refuse to admit our own role in the problem? Perhaps this can be a Lenten reflection for us all. *Steve*

Sunday evening, Choir Rehearsal, 4:30 p.m.

Women's Bible Study on Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. We will be studying Beth Moore's "Jesus, The One and Only"

Wednesday evening activities, 6:30 p.m. for children, youth and adults.

United Methodist Women needs your help in collecting items for Henderson Settlement, a mission institution of The United Methodist Church, in Frakes, KY. Items needed are **disinfecting wipes, liquid hand soap and Ziploc plastic bags, quart size.** This is short notice, but please bring items to the church by Wednesday next week, February 28th. Pat Collier will take these to the District Time Apart Meeting on March 3rd. Thank you.

Children's Consignment Sale on **March 1st, 2nd and 3rd**. If you would like to consign, please see Cheryl Mills or there will be packets you can pick up in the fellowship hall.

Henderson Settlement will be the Children's March Mission Project – This year the children, along with your help, will be collecting mugs and pots (colored or clay) that are about the size of a mug, and decals to decorate plain pots. Henderson Settlement has greenhouses, and each year they host a Mother's Day Event the week before Mother's Day. Local schools bring the children in to "shop" for a plant to give that important person in their life. Flowers are placed in donated mugs, planters, and decorated pots for the children to purchase at a special cost just for them. They get to buy a present, visit the greenhouses, and have fun doing it.

Save the date: March 25th - The children will be presenting "Hallelujah! He Did It!" on Sunday, March 25th immediately before the choir's Easter Cantata, "The Offer Still Stands."

Do you remember participating in the food ministry at Bookwalter? Do you miss the people, fellowship and the love of sharing Christ with others?

King Foods is expanding their ministry in the South. We have been approached to join in their food ministry. Before Bookwalter commits volunteers must be in place. Sunday a volunteer sign up survey will be on the alter rail. If you are interested please complete the sheet and place in the offering plate.

Questions? Contact Pastor Steve or Linda

Sympathy extended to Dennis Felker and family on the death of his father, Earl Felker.

Our Service
February 25, 2018
Second Sunday in Lent

Acolytes	Rachel Byrd, Izzy Deer
Nursery	Rose Baker, Perry Hall
Ushers	Peyton Allen, Ed Bryson, Pam Ferguson, Ray Mills

Plan to join us for worship on Sunday, February 25th as we worship the Lord. Scripture will be John 8:1-11 and the sermon is "DROPPING STONES."

Our Presence and Our Gifts

February 18, 2018

Morning Worship	97
Sunday School	55
Budget Offering	\$4,669.90
Roof	\$20.00
Change for Children	\$3.65
Music Department	\$750.00

Prayer List:

Pat Collier
Family of Earl Felker
Joe Hurst
Martha Kitts and family
Bill Ogle

Continuing Care:

Shirrell Baker, Joe Broom, Kermit & Betty Campbell, Samantha Collier, Sarah Hawkins, Joan Leslie Hickman, Margie Johnson, Lynn Mashburn, Jama Newman, Jean Painter, Roy Skeen, Ann Turner, Betty Uhlman, Carolyn & Sue Wilson, Joanne Wilson.