

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.

There is a phrase that makes the rounds every once in a while that sometimes strikes me as humorous and other times as convicting. "**Jesus is Coming, Look Busy.**" It may be one of those instances where it's funny because it's true. The Church and Christian individuals have become quite adept at looking busy, but how often are we truly doing the work of the Lord or building His kingdom.

Between fundraisers and other activities, we often lose sight of our calling and purpose as the Body of Christ in this world. I suppose it is the nature of such a spiritual endeavor because we cannot always see or otherwise quantify our work. So we do things that are more tangible, things we can measure, count or at least see results.

I am not saying we should eliminate dinners or festivals or sales, but we need to take a step back every once in a while and ask ourselves collectively why we are doing any particular thing. As I mentioned in my sermon on Mary and Martha last Sunday, we need also to be able to discern between what is important versus merely urgent. There can be crossover, but they are not the same thing. Besides, when Jesus does indeed return, looking busy is not going to be as important as the one thing needed. *Steve*

Sunday, morning worship will be at 11:00 a.m. and Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.

Homebound-Home Cooking Team will meet in the fellowship hall following worship service on Sunday.

Choir will not meet on Sunday, September 9th and 16th.

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

NOTE TO KEENAGERS – Meeting for September 11th has been cancelled.

Nominations and Leadership Development Committee Meeting, September 13, 7:30 p.m. in library. Members are: Shari Rose, Becky Newberry, Leslie Boggs, Alicia McMillan, Vicki Waring, Edie Jo Hall. Ex-officio members: Ken Mahoney, Linda Comer.

Meetings scheduled for:

Monday, September 17: **Outreach**, 6:30 p.m. and **Church Council**, 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 20, **Finance**, 7:00 p.m. and **United Methodist Women**, 7:00 p.m.

Charge Conference, Sunday, October 14, 3:00 p.m. at Bookwalter.

The **3rd Annual Fresh Start Festival** is set for Sept 29th from noon - 3:00 p.m. And we need your help! If you would like to volunteer for the festival, please sign up on the list in the Fellowship Hall. **Volunteers will meet** at 6:00 p.m. on September 16, 19, 23 and 26th.

We are still collecting canned sodas for the Festival to be given out with the free pizza. This year we are asking for **Coke, Coke Zero, Sprite, Dr. Pepper, Diet Dr. Pepper** and

Mountain Dew. We also need donations of bottled water. You can bring these in any time. Thanks!

Missionary Class has **hot tamales for sale**, \$15.00 a dozen.

Our Service

September 9, 2018

Acolytes	Seth Laws, Elijah Meredith
Nursery	Doris Dennison
Ushers	A.J. Allen, Howard Darnell, Mary Mahoney, Carolyn Peters

Come join us for worship this Sunday, at 11:00 a.m. as we worship the Lord. Scripture reading will be Matthew 5:43-48, and the sermon is **“ENEMY MINE.”**

Our Presence and Our Gifts

September 3, 2018

Morning Worship	82
Sunday School	44
Budget Offering	\$3,311.00
Roof	\$70.00

Mark Your Calendar

September 29	Fresh Start Festival
October 14	Charge Conference, 3:00 p.m. at Bookwalter
October 28	Trunk or Treat
November 4	Homecoming
November 25	Advent Begins
December 8	Children's Christmas Program
December 16	Choir Christmas Cantata

Prayer List:

Linda Comer
Eddie Cox
Leroy Cox – cancer
Bill Dake - cancer (friend of Liz Jett)
Don Henderlight
Bill Ferguson
Joe Hurst
Jo Ann Learn
Stephanie Melton
Bill Ogle, comfort and healing from cancer
Jack Oglesby
Patricia Sutton
Billy and Wesley, Sharon Wilson's sons

Continuing Care:

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