### ROCKVILLE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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# Highlights &

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March 2019

"In like a lion, out like a lamb," is a phrase I have heard since I was a little boy. Looks like that is really true this year. I am ready for the mildness and warmth of a soft spring breeze. This time of year means Lent is not too far away. In fact, it starts March 6 with Ash Wednesday. Easter is just 6 weeks later.

"In like a lion, out like a lamb," could also describe Jesus' last week that led up to Easter. Jesus came riding triumphantly into Jerusalem with the courage of a lion. He knew the opposition He was facing. He knew the cross was just a few days away. He knew He would be deserted by those closest to Him. Still, the Lion of Judah rode into Jerusalem to face what was waiting. The attitude He demonstrated in the Temple that week was also bold and courageous. When He told the Temple guards, that Judas led into the garden, "I am the one you want," His courage was without measure. What courage it must have taken to stand before the Jewish Court I cannot imagine. How he faced Heron, Pilate, the soldiers, and the nails is beyond understanding. The One who could have called the angels of heaven, and creation itself, to save Him was courageously quiet.

Then came the lamb. Jesus had started this last chain of events with a celebration of the Passover. A time when a lamb was slain to remind the Jews of the time in Egypt when the Father sent the Angel of Death throughout the land to slay the firstborn of all people and animals. The blood of the lamb was spread on the door jams of the houses so the Angel of Death would Passover their house and lives would be saved. Only by having faith in God and trusting in the blood of the lamb were lives spared and the people of God set free. On the cross, Jesus became our sacrificial lamb. He paid the price that we can be set free from sin and death. Only by having faith in God and trusting in the blood of The Lamb are we saved from death and set free from the slavery to sin.

What a wonderful time to celebrate. As much as I am thankful spring is ahead, I am so much more thankful for the One who went into Jerusalem as a Lion and became our Lamb on the cross.

God Bless You All!

Pastor Jon



Janie Pound



Kathy Price

Linda Johnson



Pastor Jon & Gale Overbey



Rockville United Methodist Church Staff

Amanda Lee





I would like to send a "THANK YOU" to the ladies of the church for their visit at Christmas. I am enjoying using the little gifts. Your caroling has received many compliments. I am missing my church family so much, I hope I can make it back for a visit before long.

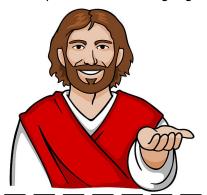
Love to all Lois McGrannahan

### METHODIST MOUNTAIN MISSION God's Mission in the Mountains——Your Mission in His Service!

March 2019

## Spring Into Jesus' Open Arms

The birds are beginning to chirp, the frogs are croaking at night, and the sun is shining a bit more. After all the bucketloads of rain we received over the past few weeks, we have had a few days of sunshine. Just as life without Jesus is cold, dark, foreboding like the winter, life with Jesus in our hearts becomes sunny, warmer, and more beautiful with Him! God blesses us every single day, whether it be the gas in our cars, the food on our tables, the love of a spouse, or true joy in hearts. This spring, let us rush into lesus' wide open arms with thanksgiving in our hearts!



## Concerned Persons

Back in October, our Mission offices became the meeting place for "Concerned Persons." Led by Karen Bunn (MMM Executive Director) and Drema Terry (KY Probation & Parole—Drug Court) this group, meeting every Monday night, offers support, direction, and education for family, friends, parents, etc. who have a loved one in the throws of addiction. We have seen this group grow over the past few months and seen change that only God can create. Our communities are hurting because of the terrible drug epidemic and this group provides support for all of us who have been affected by it.

## Truck Schedule

March. 4-6 New Albany-Columbus March 11-13 Paris-Paducah

March 18-20 Frankfort-Lexington

March25-27 Bowling Green-Hopkinsville April I-3 Louisville

April 8-10 Terre-Haute-Bloomington



## **Urgent Needs List**

\*Back to school supplies (it's never too early to get backpacks, paper, pencils, etc. for our children)

\*Summer clothes (Men, women, children)

\*Socks and underwear (We desperately need new socks and underwear for our stores. Men, women and children.)

\*We are now sending supplies to each of our stores once a month. We need garbage bags, paper towels, toilet tissue, cleaner, I-gallon ZipLock bags, etc.



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Thank you for continuing to give to the Mission. Financial donations can be mailed to:

Methodist Mountain Mission P.O. BOX 888 Jackson, KY 41339

## Methodist Mountain Mission

March 2019

## **Urgent Needs List**

## For Our Stores/Customers

#### **EMERGENCY NEEDS**

\*\*\*\*Socks and underwear (We desperately need new socks and underwear for our stores. Men, women and children.)\*\*\*\*\*

- \*Men's and children's summer clothes
- \*Easter outfits (sundresses, etc.)
- \*EASTER items (stuff to fill baskets, etc.)
- \*Good pots n' pans
- \*Men's shoes
- \*Good used furniture
- \*School supplies (backpacks, paper, pencils, notebooks, etc.)
- \*Back to school clothes



### Please note\*\*\*\*

All donated items need to be delivered to Rockville United Methodist Church

by MONDAY.APRIL 8TH.

#### PROCESSING PLANT NEEDS

- \*Coffee
- \*20 oz. coffee cups
- \*Air fresheners (aerosol cans)
- \*33 gallon black garbage bags \*Pinesol
- \*Dust mops
- \*Toilet bowl cleaner
- \*Sugar
- \*Paper towels
- \*Toilet Tissue





And, of course, all of the other wonderfully good and usable items you donate to the Mission!

God's Mission in the Mountains—Your Mission in His Service!

#### An Update from the Administrative Council

February 2019 Meeting

A lot has happened in the last month or so. We want you to be informed about the major issues we have been discussing. We welcome your input on these, or any other items.

**Budget:** As you know we have started working on the budget. In order for it to be accurate we need everyone to make their pledges. We pledge to be good stewards of the church resources and to honor God in how we budget. We also ask that if there is something you think needs to be in the budget please let one of us know. We will present the budget to you all soon.

**Parsonage:** Last summer, when the Howard Ave work was happening, Vectren installed new main gas lines. The gas to all the houses along the project was shut off in order to connect them to the new main line. The parsonage was one of the houses shut off. Vectren said they left door hangers on the front door of the parsonage telling customers that the gas was off and to contact Vectren to get it turned back on. The parsonage was checked every week. However, those checking the house didn't use the front door. We also continued to get a bill from Vectren. When the polar vortex hit town some of the water pipes froze. There was damage to a ceiling, a couple of walls, and the hardwood floors got soaked. Our insurance company has been contacted. When we get final repairs, we will be pursuing damage claims. When the parsonage repairs are completed, we will be examining the possibility of renting it through a property manager.

**Church building**: The big wind has blown off several shingles on the south roof over the Sanctuary. It also peeled some of the flashing at the south tower. When the roof is inspected we will also have them check the addition for damage. One of the two windows in the Chapel has a sash damaged that broke the glass and the other window sash is sagging. They will be repaired soon. In the spring we will be repairing and painting the two sets of front doors.

**Audio/Visual equipment:** There was a plan earlier in 2018 about doing an upgrade to the projector. We also need a new microphone for the Pastor. To make sure we are making good choices, Aaron, Rob, and the Pastor went to meet with a church A/V guy at Crawfordsville 1<sup>st</sup> UMC. During the meeting we found out that the frequency used by our wireless microphones is being shut down by the FCC to make room for more cell phone bands. Therefore, we are investigating a new sound system to go with the new equipment purchased in 2017. We are also looking into use of big screen tvs instead of a projector and wall system. At this point, it appears the tv's will be more clear, cheaper, more multifunctional, and we will not have to remove any chandeliers from the sanctuary.

**Fellowship Hall:** We are working on a plan to close off the area that contains the furnace. It will become a storage closet. We are also looking into a plan to deaden the sound of the ductwork so the noise does not interfere when we have functions, or guests, in that room.

**Chore list:** We are compiling a list of items that can be done by individuals at their leisure. We are going to call it a "chore list." It will be made up of simple items that can either be done at the church or taken home for a couple of days to be completed there. As a trial, one of the members took the offering plates home, cleaned, polished, and returned them in time for last Sunday's Worship Service. This list will be coordinated so we know what is being done, by whom, and where our items are located. Look for this list after the March meeting.

**New Member:** Meredith McGill has joined the Council as the Young Adult Representative replacing Abby. We are VERY glad to have her on the Council.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEMEBERS 2019**

Alex Milligan, Council Chair Elaine Waltz, SPRC-Chair Aaron Mathis, Trustees Chair Rob Belcher, Finance Chair Mary Jane Evens, Treasurer, Women's Rep Randy Randall, Men's Rep Merideth McGill, Young Adult Rep Pat Ballinger, Lay Leader Susan Harbison, Member-At-Large Jon Overbey, Pastor

## **WORSHIP AND PRAY**

#### **KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS!**

#### **Our Shut-Ins:**

Flo Clark; Betty Lewis; Helen Graham; Imogene Rahn; Wanda Nickle; Phyllis Akers; Diana Lows, Roleen Pickard; Lois McGrannahan

#### **Our World:**

Churches and People of Congo; Veterans dealing with PTSD and Re-Entry; Operation Classroom; Klausmeier family missions; Covered Bridge Cluster; Parke Vermillion Community Pregnancy Center; our schools, community, and government leaders; the children of Parke Co.; emergency personnel; local businesses; Kairos ministry; inmates and staff of Rockville Women's Correctional Center and the Parke Co. Jail; those suffering from mental illness; those having financial difficulties; homeless children and adults; immigrants; refugee; widows; orphans; peace on earth; 1,132 churches and 536 pastors of the Indiana Conference.

#### Keep in your prayers church family in active U.S. military service:

Ben Ford, Air Force, Son-in-law of Rob and Shannon Belcher; Sheppard AFB, Texas; Senior Airman Jacob Gregg, son of Guy and Shelly Gregg, Travis Air Force Base, California; Lt. Col. Jason W. Neumann, Florida Army National Guard, son of Linda and Mark Spelbring; Rob Graham, Navy, Pearl Harbor,

#### **FACTS & FIGURES**





Date	Sunday School Attendance	Worship Attendance	Tithes & Offerings
2/03/19	15	48	\$2,043.35
2/10/19	16	54	\$2,493.00
2/17/19	8	47	\$2,285.00
2/24/19	15	53	\$2,386.80

February total \$9,208.15 to date:

Needed monthly to enable the church's ministries: \$12,438

2019 Average Worship Attendance: 48

## **LEARN AND GROW**

### Want to grow deeper as a Christian?

We currently have three opportunities for adults to learn more about God, the Bible, and how to grow in discipleship: Adult Sunday School (Sunday mornings at 9 a.m.), Men's Bible Study (Tuesday mornings at 11 .m.) and Celebrate Recovery (Thursday nights at 7 p.m.).



A Christ-centered recovery program for adults struggling to overcome hurts, habits and hang-ups.

## Thursdays, 7-9 p.m.

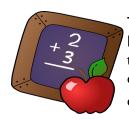
(Doors open at 6:30p.m.)

#### **Rockville First United Methodist Church**

128 N. Market St., Rockville, IN
(1 block north of the courthouse)
For information, please call (765) 569-5356

There IS hope for recovery!

#### **BUDDY BAGS**



The Buddy Bag program is up and running for the 2018-2019 school year. Buddy Bags are distributed to needy children on Fridays to help ensure that they have adequate food over the weekend to be able to return to school on Monday ready to learn. If you would like to volunteer to help pack and/or distribute the Buddy Bags, please contact Larry or Charla Malone.







New Bible Study with Pastor Jon Overbey Starts Sunday, March 10th at 6:00 p.m.







Rockville UMC has a new Website!!

https://r l umc.faithlifesites.com
Photo's and notices for our website to be submitted to
Shannon Belcher



The Hand bell Choir will meet each Monday, in the Chapel from 7:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. New members always welcome

## UMCOR SUNDAY, March 31st

DO YOU KNOW UMCOR? UMCOR stands for United Methodist Committee on Relief and will be the focal point of a Special Sunday Service in March. When watching disaster unfold around the globe, many of us feel the call to help but are at a loss as to what we can actually do to help.

UMCOR Sunday is the day for congregations around the globe to help. UMCOR offers aid in Jesus' name to those who suffer:

- •When tornadoes ripped through Oklahoma, we responded.
- •When children in Zimbabwe lost parents to AIDS, we responded.
- •When a massive tsunami devastated lives in Japan, we responded.

And when the next crisis occurs, we will be prepared to respond. On this Special Sunday on **March 31**, **2019**, our generosity as a church covers the operating budget of UMCOR. This allows them to funnel 100% of other donations received throughout the year directly to relief efforts. UMCOR Sunday is where we come together to help. If you want to learn more about UMCOR visit: www.umcgiving.org/UMCOR



When you give on Special Sundays, you change the world one life at a time. Whether you help to transform a community in crisis, advocate for justice or prepare leaders who serve their churches and communities, your gift makes possible vital ministries of The United Methodist Church.

## AROUND THE CHURCH



The Dine with a Doc ® program is **MARCH** 7, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at The Rockville First United Methodist Church. Speaker will be Donna McVay,

Dine with a Doc ® is a FREE educational program that welcomes senior citizens to get to know the doctor of the month while enjoying a free meal.

For your convenience, the ramp door on the South side of the church will be open allowing easier entry in to the church. Please R.S.V.P. to Carole Perry (765-569-2349).

All senior citizens are welcome (reservations are required), so please invite your friends and neighbors to join you! We hope to see you there!





- 01 Randy Randall
- 07 Bob Jones
- 10 Alex Milligan
- 11 Pastor Jon Overbey
- 14 Roleen Pickard
- 15 Dale Barnes Betty Lewis
- 31 Steve Waltz





#### Service Circle Meeting

The Service Circle meeting is March 13, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall at RUMC. Devotions by Mariam Lash, the new hostesses are Sally Zuber and Marjorie Sneath. All women are invited to attend.

#### **NEW ADDRESSES**

Roleen Pickard, Room 309 Cannon Inn 200 Francis Ave Ct. Terre Haute, IN 47804 614-601-8283 Lois McGrannahan, Room 345 Silver Birch Living 650 Lafayette Ave Terre Haute, IN 47807 765-592-0389



West District Lay Servant Academy
March 30, 2019 8:00 am - 4:00 pm ET
Mt. Pleasant UMC | 3050 E Davis Dr, Terre Haute, IN

You are invited to join us for the Spring Lay Servant Academy to begin or continue training for living out the call to make disciples for the transformation of our churches, communities, and world. Pastor Jon will be teaching the intro course. This will be Pastor Jon's 6th year teaching the class. All classes are open to anyone wanting to grow in their walk with Jesus or just to know more about United Methodists.

### SERVE AND GIVE



Peanut Butter
Pasta (boxes or bags)
Pasta sauce (jars or cans)
Vegetables (cans)

Please bring your donations to the office. Thank you! (Please make sure you bring **un-expired** goods, as we can't

distribute food that is expired.)
Our Food Pantry is an independent ministry of our church
benefitting our neighbors in need.



Saturday, March 9, 2019 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Grace United Methodist Church Franklin, Indiana

Cost: \$15 per person, lunch included.

"Create a Passion for Community Ministry in Your Church"

For more information about the registration process contact Lisa Timmerman at <u>lisa.timmerman@inumc.org</u>



## Greeters for March 2019

3rd Carol & Alex Milligan

10th Lenore Douglas

17th Rusty Akers

24th Charla & Larry Malone

31st Tulie Jadzak

# **MARCH 2019**

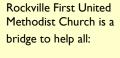
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- find the WELCOME of Christ,
- learn the WAY of Christ, and
- become His WITNESSES in our world.



~Pastor Jon Overbey~ Email: Jon.overbey@inumc.org

#### **SUNDAY WORSHIP AND STUDY**

9:00 a.m. - Adult Sunday School

10:00 a.m. - Worship Service

10:15 a.m. - Children's Church



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