



MUMC *Message*

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | SEPTEMBER 2018

HULLABALOO 2018

Hullabaloo is quickly approaching! Mark your calendars for Sept 22 to come check out the rummage sale, silent auction, country store, and the children's area. Pick up your meat tickets from Brian or Kristi Doyle. Sept 16th is the last day to sell tickets. Pick up dates for the meat will be on Sept 21st or 22nd.

Boston butts are \$30

Half chickens are \$6

HULLABALOO SCHEDULE

Sunday, Sept 16

Turn tickets and money in by NOON to Kristi Doyle.

Start getting the Church ready for Hullabaloo.

Bring in priced silent auction / rummage sale items & other donations.

Monday, Sept 17 through Wednesday, Sept 19

Continue getting the Church ready for Hullabaloo.

Bring in priced silent auction/rummage sale items & other donations.

Thursday, Sept 20

Prepare BBQ meat and cook. Please contact Bartt Vaughn for schedule.

Bring in priced silent auction/rummage sale items & other donations.

Bring in Country Store items.

Friday, Sept 21

Prepare BBQ meat and cook. Contact Bartt Vaughn for schedule.

Bring in priced silent auction/rummage sale items & other donations.

Bring in Country Store items.

Saturday, Sept 22—HULLABALOO 9am-2pm

Hullabaloo Fishing Tournament

Jeff Johnston is working to host another fishing tournament with the proceeds going towards Hullabaloo.

The fishing tournament is scheduled for November 17th at Horseshoe Lake. Launch site will be at the Surf Club. Entry fee is \$150.00 per boat / \$20.00 Big Bass pot.

Registration will start at 5:00 a.m. with breakfast snacks served. Please arrive on time to pay and check in. Blast off will be at safe daylight.

Weigh-in at 3:00 p.m. with food served during awards ceremony. Guaranteed payout based on 20 boat field: First place \$800 payout with \$250 Big Bass. Cash and prize payouts through 5th place.

If you have any questions, please contact Jeff Johnston @ 901.277.6321.



Pastor's Pen

Getting a Ride

I will never forget my first 4th of July weekend in New England. Being the place where the United States started, the amount and types of celebrations are numerous and varied. There are revolutionary war reenactments at Lexington and Concord, a huge concert (broadcast nationwide) from the esplanade near the Charles River, and numerous “BBQs” around every street and neighborhood. In many respects, there is a feeling of the revolution and the founding fathers being closer, somehow feeling more patriotic.

Our first fourth of July had passed without a hitch and I was getting ready to return to Asbury Grove where I was the Chaplain at a summer camp meeting community. I arrived at the train station, eagerly awaiting my train for my carefully timed route from Franklin to Boston and then to Hamilton. All told, it normally took me a couple of hours when I timed it right. However, the normal 7:52am train did not arrive. I waited a few minutes, but then it hit me: this was Monday after the 4th of July. Early trains were not running. At that moment I went into a panic. I had an afternoon full of responsibilities and expectations. What was I going to do?

At that moment, as I was pondering my next steps, I caught sight of a “commuter friend”. He was headed to his car. I quickly ran over to him and asked if he would mind if I rode with him into town. He graciously said yes, and we sped off to Boston. Thanks to his kindness and help, I was able to make it in time.

In telling this story, I call you to remember the last week of our “Back to Basics” sermon series: ***Service***. Think honestly and openly: when was the last time you gave of yourself and expected nothing in return?

Did you help lead a small group study?

Did you volunteer with our kids or youth?

Did you help pack food for our Backpack program?

Did you give someone a ride to the doctor?

Did you act kindly when you wanted to be angry?

Did you act in a way that loved the person rather than judging them?

These are very important questions when we consider how we live out our faith in service. As we go through September, we will be on a “Journey with Jesus”, looking at the people and places Jesus encountered on his many trips throughout Judea. Each of these trips will call us to be aware of how we act, speak, and care for people around us. How are we serving our community in love this fall?

MISSION: Backpack Program

The MUMC Backpack Project reached 100 children during last year's school year, and the project extended over the summer delivering to 50 families every other week. We hope to have a list of children for this school year within the next couple of weeks and are hoping to make our first delivery on September 12.

We are planning to continue with monthly themes for this school year.

- Spaghetti O September - canned pasta
- Oatmeal October
- Nutri-grain November - ONLY nutri-grain brand is peanut free
- Dollars December

As of now, we are planning to continue with work days each Sunday prior to the distribution day on the following Wednesday. The Sunday work will consist of unpacking, sorting and boxing up food as well as clean up. To sign up, please email bvaughn5@comcast.net.

Please continue to assist with this project and ensure its sustainability this school year. This could not be successful without the generosity and loving spirit that this church possesses.

The People Called (United) Methodists

Pastor Andrew will be leading a special four-week Sunday school class from September 9th until September 30th. This class will focus on what we as United Methodists believe, how we came to be a church, and what it means to live as a United Methodist. The class will meet from 9:30am until 10:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center. To sign up, please contact the church office.

Journeying with Jesus Sermon Series

Sept. 9th

Scripture Lesson: Mark 7:24-37

Sermon Title: "We Don't Go There"

Sept. 16th

Scripture Lesson: Mark 8:27-38

Sermon Title: "Take a Chance"

Sept. 23rd

Scripture Lesson: Mark 9:30-37

Sermon Title: "Sit Back and Observe"

Sept. 30

Scripture Lesson: Mark 9:38-50

Sermon Title: "We're in it Together"

The Story of Mark: The First Gospel

Pastor Andrew will be leading a new Bible Study opportunity about the Gospel of Mark. This study will look at why the gospel of Mark is unique, what it can tell us about Jesus, and why it matters within the biblical cannon. The study will last nine weeks and will begin on Wednesday, September 5th at 6:45 p.m. in the Crossroads classroom located upstairs in the education building. Please contact the church office to sign-up.

Bible Study Fellowship

People of the Promised Land I

This year, our Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) will begin on Thursday, September 13th with Israel's entrance into Canaan under the leadership of Joshua, People of the Promised Land I. Men and women all over the world are doing the same study and learning the same things each week. Our MUMC BSF group is set out in two separate groups for men and women. Childcare will be provided in the children's area.

MEETING DATES and TIMES: Every Thursday at 6:20 p.m.

PLACE: MUMC Education Building / Upstairs

Please enter the church through the entrance under the canopy located on the main parking area.

You may sign up for BSF upon arrival or contact Lisa Heath to get signed up for this year's event. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Lisa Heath @ 901.410.3677 for more information.

New to Our Family

We have welcomed 15 new members to our church family during the month of August.



Steve & Mary Ann Ford,
Ben Ford



Don & Karen Nelson



Chad & Jordan Beeler,
Nina Beeler



Jeremy Roeder



Doug & Dee Helton



Jim and Sandy Bagwell

Preschool 2018-2019

We are so excited to have our new preschoolers on board. We do have a few rare openings in our preschool. If you have a child or know of one that might be interested, please contact the preschool or our church office.



2018-2019
4-year old
preschool class

2018-2019
3-year old
preschool class



MUMC Preschool College Scholarship Recipient

Lillian Fogleman was this year's recipient of the MUMC scholarship. Each year our preschool awards a scholarship to a Marion High School graduating senior who attended the MUMC preschool for two years and is an active member of our church. Lillian will be attending the University of Arkansas this fall.



Children's Ministry & Children's Choir

WWF

Worship with Friends (WWF) and Children's Choir kicked off on Wednesday, August 29th with more than 40 children participating. The children learned about service and how God likes that we care for His creation. They also initiated a new recycling program for our church, and they are charged with taking out the recycling each Wednesday afternoon. Four youth members, several mothers, and one amazing grandmother came together to help our children and ushered them from one station after another in their first WWF of the season. It is very excitedly welcome to the assistance of other church members who are free from 3:00 to 5:40 on Wednesday afternoon.

All children in kindergarten through 6th grade are invited to attend. This year the kids will get to help fill backpacks for the Backpack Program, focus on weekly devotionals and learn about serving others. Students enrolled in the Marion School District will ride school buses from their magnet school to the church. WWF is a great way to teach our children the joy and importance of being part of our church family.

Children will be able to attend WWF for free, and rotate through activities and school. Parents are needed to volunteer and lead students through rotations and help provide snack options for children. Please see Straley Owen for more information—she and MOST IMPORTANTLY—the kids need you!!!

Registration forms available in the Children's Area. Don't forget to also sign up for Remind to receive important announcements about WWF! Text: 81010 and send the following message content: @mumckids18



Children's Ministry Shirts

You can purchase a shirt representing the MUMC Children's Ministry and wear your support! Shirts are \$12 for children and adult sizes and \$14 for extended sizes. Shirts may be purchased through Straley Owen or the church office. Orders are due Sunday, **September 16th.**

PDO

The MUMC Parents Day Out program will begin on Monday, September 10th. We are so excited to make new friends and get to know all of our new PDO angels. We will start learning new things in September:

Color — Red

Shape — Circle

Bible verse: Proverbs 17:17

A friend loves at all times.

ART CAMP

On August 30th, the Children's Ministry hosted an Art Camp with nearly 30 participants. Aspiring artist Case Fesmire helped instruct student on various styles, techniques, and materials used in art. Children chose their color palette for a mosaic cross and busily went to work. While waiting on canvases to dry, the youth artists created beaded jewelry and learned how we are all part of God's great canvas and creation.

Youth volunteers Dawson and Jane Ellen Whittington and Anna Caroline Fesmire stepped in along with Ellen Whittington to guide these hard-working student-artists.

Students wrapped up their camp with snacks and their own self-decorating cupcakes—a tasty finale to a great time!



Children are a gift
from the Lord
They are a reward
FROM GOD.
Psalm 127:3

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Marion United Methodist Church
Children's Ministry

Blessings and Fellowship



Pastor Andrew and our congregation joined together to pray for all our students on Sunday, August 12th. Pastor Andrew then asked our children and congregation to pray for all school support staff, faculty and administrators as they prepared to start the 2018-2019 school year. Backpack tags were given to all students and educators. Additional tags are still available in the children's area.



Following worship service, an awesome cookout was provided by the church. Our amazing kitchen crew grilled tasty burgers, hot dogs and provided delicious side dishes, while our congregation came through with phenomenal desserts! Children laughed and played on two different bouncy options! With a Sunday like this to set off the 2018-2019 school year, it is sure to be great!



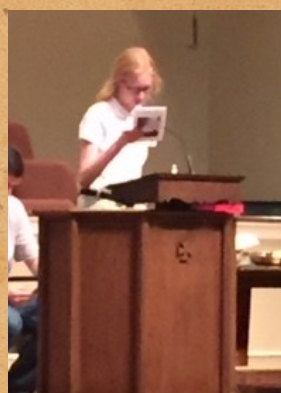
Thank You!!

Thanks to all who participated by providing desserts, cooking and cleaning up afterwards. We could not put on such events without such generous volunteers.



Wednesday Night Communion

Pastor Andrew incorporated the children from WWF to help assist with the Wednesday Night Communion service held on August 29th with 115 person in attendance. The children handed out bulletins; read scripture during the service and helped to serve communion. Participants were: Anna Wehrum, Sam Gibbs, Hudson McKewen, Sullivan McKewen, Harper Doyle, Sam Owen, Mollie Owen, Amari Hatton, Izzy Fenter and Avery Kynch. This will become a regular arrangement during the Wednesday night service throughout the 2018-2019 WWF program. Our Wednesday service is approximately 25 minutes so that it can fit into everyone's schedule for a mid-week refresher.



Crossroads

The Crossroads Sunday School Class met in the gym Saturday, August 17th to get all tables and chairs washed and ready for the start of our Wednesday Night Dinners. Thank you Crossroads!



September Birthdays

9/1	Straley Owen	9/17	Ford Chafin Mike Molloy
9/2	Randy Benson Taylor Landry	9/18	Addison Schwartz Mollie Owen Sam Owen
9/3	Chris Coopwood Garrison Hardke Jason McKewen Vesta McNeely Beverly Moore Richard O'Beirne	9/19	Mason Fowler Jay W. Hale Austin LaRue Sam Rawls
9/4	Palmer Archer Micah Archer Hayden Archer Sydney Masengale	9/20	Rita Gilmore Cliff Lafitte Paxton Marotti
9/5	Trent Hanks Brittany Hanks Tim Parker	9/21	Nancy Ragsdale Callie Wallace
9/6	Katie Brick Dick Busby LaKeshia Lee Blake Meyer Adam Rawls Jacob Tabor	9/22	Cissie Stuckey
9/7	Amanda Elliot Scott Fogleman	9/23	Brenda Alexander Jack Avery Katie Entrekin Peyton Fogleman Susan Hale John M. Heath Priscilla Kjorlaug
9/8	Kennedy Arceneaux Nicole Roeder Michelle Schwartz	9/24	John Brenner Fred C. Wesberry III
9/9	Gail Fogleman Paula Howerton	9/26	Jason Collard
9/10	Eric Doyle	9/27	Isabella Hinze Forrest Jones Ben Vaughn
9/11	Dustin Bolton	9/28	Ted Archer Hartley Charlton
9/13	Thomas Doyle Jennifer Johnston Charlie McNeely	9/29	Brittany Bius Adam Fogleman Jeff Masengale Shelby Ward Jeffrey Vaughn
9/15	Jason Collard Will Fogleman Rusty Bell	9/30	Abbigale Simmons
9/16	Shane Hinze		

Church Events

Reoccurring Events:

- Sept. 5, 12, 19 and 26 / 6:45 p.m.
The Story of Mark
Led by Pastor Andrew
In the Crossroads Classroom
 - Sept. 5, 12, 19 and 26 / Choir Practice / 6:45 p.m.
 - Sept. 5, 12, 19 and 26 / WWF / 3:00 p.m.
 - Sept. 5, 12, 19 and 26 / Wed. Communion / 5:30 p.m.
 - Sept. 5, 12, and 26 / 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Dinner
NOTE: No Dinner Sept. 19
 - Sept. 9, 16, 23 & 30 / 9:30 a.m.—10:30 a.m.
The People Called (United) Methodist
This is a 4 week Sunday school class
Led by Pastor Andrew
In the Family Life Center
 - Sept. 13, 20 & 27 / Bible Study Fellowship / 6:20 p.m.
Education Building / Upstairs
Enter through
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- Sept. 7 / Feed the MHS Football Team / Gym
 - Sept. 9 / Church Council / 6:00 p.m.
In the Family Life Center
 - Sept. 10 / Martha-Mary Circle Meeting / 6:30 p.m.
For location of meeting, please contact
the church office
 - Sept. 10 / First Day of PDO / 9:00 a.m.
 - Sept. 11 / Rebecka-Ruth Circle / 7:00 p.m.
For location of meeting, please contact
the church office
 - Sept. 15 / Youth trip to Fayetteville / 7:30 a.m.
 - Sept. 16 / Bibles for Kindergarten and 3rd Graders
 - Sisters Circle / 4:00 p.m. / UWM room
 - Turn in Meat Ticket Money
 - Sept. 22 / Hullabaloo

September Ushers

Scott Carpenter Wayne Tabor
Bill Hartley Bart Turner
Danny Moore Mike Walker

September Greeters

John Robbins Sunday School Class

September Altar Flower Calendar

9/2 OPEN
9/16 Pat and Jerri Crase
9/23 Matt and Laura Entreklin
9/30 OPEN

Prayer List

Ernest & Shirley Archer, Jessica Shidler
Croom, May Ferguson, Cindy French, Mason
Fowler, Carolyn Green, Dee Helton, Ashley
Jenkins, Gary Kelley, John Traugh, Sam Watts,
Billie Williams, Tim Williamson & Chuck Young.

VISION STATEMENT

*A church on fire for Jesus Christ,
setting the world on fire for
Jesus Christ.*

MISSION STATEMENT

Being disciples; Making disciples.

SUNDAY MORNING

9:00 a.m.	Prayer Service
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
10:45 a.m.	Worship Service



Marion United Methodist Church

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